



CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
STUDENT
ACADEMIC SENATE

General SAS
January 26th, 2016

Call to Order

Hauke calls the meeting to order at 7:05pm

Attendance

Present: **Accounting, Aerospace Studies, Anthropology, Art, Biology, Chemistry, Communications, DHC, English, ETSC, Family and Consumer Sciences, Finance and Supply Chain, History, ITAM, LLSE, Management, McNair, Military Science, Nutrition Exercise and Health Sciences, PESH, Philosophy and Religious Studies, Physics, Political Science, Psychology, Science Education, Sociology, World Languages**

Absent: **Aviation, Computer Science, EFC, Law & Justice**

Additions or Correction to the Agenda

No additions or corrections.

Approval of the Agenda

Hauke entertains a motion to approve the agenda

Biology so moves

Philosophy and Religious Studies seconds

Motion **PASSED** 25-0-0

Approval of the Previous Minutes

Hauke entertains a motion to approve the minutes from January 12th, 2016.

DHC so moves

Art seconds

Motion **PASSED** 25-0-0

Communications

Ryan Anderson—Student Fee Proposal Process

(See presentation and handout).

Discussion:

Biology: I would still like the process to require having a finalized version of the fee sent to the ASCWU and the respective chairs will distribute it accordingly and no changes to the fee cannot be made past that point.

Announcements

Vic Savino—Lobby Day

The Office of Legislative Affairs in the ASCWU will be taking a group of students to Olympia to learn more about the legislative process and lobbying for four items on our school's agenda. It is on February 5th, and we will be leaving around 8am and returning around 5pm. Tonight is the last opportunity to sign up for it.

Chair Reports

Hauke: There is a Wellness fee increase proposal that we first heard about in November and they have finalized the proposal. Currently the \$11 Wellness Fee is not enough to keep the center running under current conditions. Minimum wage has been going up 2% annually, and they have to rent out the SURC space they operate in. They have three staff and 7 student staff. If the \$15 fee proposal passed they would let go some of their staff but will be able to remain operational in the SURC. The ideal fee increase for the Wellness center would be the \$18 fee increase. They brought this forward to us to know if we, the ASCWU Student Government, would endorse the fee increase with Joey Bryant and Millissa Howard. Our conclusion as a board was that we should not be imposing fees onto students when cuts occur and other avenues of funding can still be pursued. (See ASCWU Student Government Resolution).

I just got a memo that Ryan Anderson has sent to the Tuition Waiver Council. It is a monetary incentive for those in student government who participate and compensate them for their time.

ETSC: There is precedent for this around four years ago. An executive board member received a \$750 waiver, he was the only one to receive one.

Hauke: We had the Veteran's Memorial Meeting last week. Gregg Schlanger has designed this memorial for Spokane but was not accepted so we know have a design that we are looking to use for our memorial. This would cut down our costs greatly as we wouldn't have a designer fee and we would be keeping this project in house using campus resources. We polled the students on possible memorial locations and got our location by voting on it. We are in a central location in the state and we are hoping that it will be an attraction for everyone coming through Ellensburg to remember our veteran's. There are reasons that we did not choose the central campus location for reasons of accessibility. We want names of Washington's Veterans on this memorial. We do have names of those post 9/11 but we want to include our older Ellensburg population in our memorial. The memorial will be made of basalt pillars and those will need to be cut as soon as possible so we remain on schedule. The project proposed budget is around \$150,000. This is a very doable project for us to undertake.

We have drafted a statement to address the issues on campus that have been occurring.

New Business

Committee Reports

SEOI Advertisement Committee

Hauke: Rachel is absent. She is giving me an outline, a script to give to the Faculty Senate Funds Committee.

Student's Rights and Responsibilities

COTS: There are a few things to be focusing on. The change of the process of those going into academic bad standing. Also increasing the publicity of those in good standing.

Student Tradition Committee

Special Programs: There are several different facets on the university that are working on this. There is a push to get this done and present it for the freshman orientation next year. I have a list of around 30

traditions so far and the next step will be to contact Corey Montgomery on writing the descriptions of the traditions.

Student Feedback and Polling Committee

CEPS: I have drafted a timeline for my committee and are hopefully will have results to bring back to the board by March.

Funds Requests

No funds requests.

Report Backs

No report backs.

Old Business

No old business.

Committee Arrangements

Hauke entertains a motion to dissolve **Fee Proposal Committee**.

Biology so moves

Finance and Supply Chain seconds

Motion **PASSED** 25-0-0

Hauke entertains a motion to create **Student's Right and Responsibilities**.

Philosophy and Religious Studies so moves

DHC seconds

Motion **PASSED** 25-0-0

Issues, Concerns, and General Comment

Statement Concerning Religious and Cultural Intolerances towards Muslim Students

Hauke: Is there any discussion about this and is there a move to release this statement as SAS as a whole?

History: Are Muslim students the only ones being targeted in this letter?

Hauke: No they're not.

Biology: Given the nature of the events, I believe we need to make a statement addressing this event.

World Languages: Is there a way to reach those students? I know of the Saudi Students and their club and could release the statement to them.

Ryan Anderson: We are making a video of the actual statement of the VP's reading the statement.

World Languages: I can provide you the information with the President of the Saudi Student Association.

Biology so moves to release this statement to address the religious and cultural intolerances on campus.

Philosophy and Religious Studies seconds

Discussion:

English: The statement has a syntax error.

Motion **PASSED** 25-0-0

Adjourn

Hauke entertains a motion to adjourn

Finance and Supply Chain so moves
Philosophy and Religious Studies seconds
Motion **PASSED** 25-0-0



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Statement Concerning Religious and Cultural Intolerance towards Muslim Students

By Hauke Harfst (Original statement by Dr. Geraldine O'Mahony)

“We, The Student Academic Senate of Central Washington University, hereby condemn under any circumstances the growing bigotry and xenophobia in our country, in particular the growing hostility that has been shown towards Muslim members in our community as a result of recent political discourse. As students of Central Washington University and residents of the United States of America, we must continue to uphold the standards and core values that this country was founded on, which include religious freedom, the celebration of diversity, and providing sanctuary for the oppressed. As a governing body of Central Washington University, we stand with our Muslim students, colleagues, friends, and family members and deem threats to the well-being of any members of our community unacceptable.”

ADOPTED and signed the 26th day of January, 2016.

Signed,

Hauke K. Harfst
Vice President for Academic Affairs,
ASCWU Student Government

Student Poll/Feedback Survey

Tentative Timeline:

February 2- present survey ideas to executive board
5- formulate questions & write survey
*12- meet as a group & finalize survey decide how we will distribute
12-22- collect data (surveys)
23-26- enter paper survey data into qualtrics
March 4-data analysis
*11-make presentation for student senate
15-present to executive board
22-present to student senate

*Meet in Student Government office:

February 12th @ 2:00 print paper surveys, make a plan for collecting data, look over Qualtrics survey, etc

March 11th @ 2:00 discuss findings, make a presentation for student senate

Committee Responsibilities:

Survey ideas
Survey Review
Survey distribution online
Survey distribution paper
Qualtrics data input
Slides for presentation
Present data and findings at student senate meeting

Chair Responsibilities:

Compile ideas
Keep executive board informed
Write survey (with help from committee)
Get an advisor/professor to help with data analysis

Survey Ideas:

- Composting
- Student "green living" committee (bike to work/school month, environmental awareness, zip car, recycling)
- WDWD? What Does Western Do? – They have a great compost/recycling program. Can we do something similar? Would students do XYZ environmentally friendly actions if they were available?
- What times classes should be offered (night vs. day)
- Do you think central is doing enough to
- Role of student government
- What do you think of student government?

- Safety (people falling on ice-etc)
- Student services
- Minority groups
- Student character- are we as a University graduating student with integrity, honesty, etc?
- How important is it to build character?
- Do you believe college has given you experiences that have helped you build character?
- Do you consider education to be a right or a privilege?
- How to recognize outstanding students
- What classes are students needing the most help in