

## ASCWU Student Senate Public Meeting

## 13 November 2023 | SURC 137 B

- I. Opening Ceremonies
  - a. Roll Call
  - b. Land Acknowledgment

Central Washington University acknowledges the people who have been on this land since time immemorial. The Ellensburg campus is on lands ceded by the Pshwanapum and other bands and tribes of the Yakama Nation in the Treaty of 1855. The Yakama people remain committed stewards of this land, cherishing it and protecting it, as instructed by elders through generations. We are honored and grateful to be here today on their traditional lands, and give thanks to the legacy of the original people, their lives, and their descendants.

We also recognize the histories of land theft, violence, erasure and oppression of Indigenous communities. It is not enough to only make an acknowledgement. We have a responsibility as occupants of these lands to hear the call to action made by Indigenous peoples, and to support their ongoing fight for sovereignty, equity, justice, healing, and the protection of land resources.

This land acknowledgment was provided by the CWU Diversity and Equity Center.

- II. Reading and Approval of Minutes
- III. Adoption of Agenda
- IV. Reports of Officers
- V. Reports of Senators
  - a. Senator at Large Worrall
    - i. ADAPT Committee report
      - 1. There was a suggestion for an external consultant who would make sure that the new buildings are ADA compliant the argument is that this would be cheaper than having to retrospectively fix buildings
      - 2. Discussion on blue light accessibility



- 3. Created ADAPT subcommittees for creating a web-based accessibility training for faculty, building accessibility, graduation ceremony accessibility, and technology
- 4. New sign language interpreter on campus
- 5. There was a suggestion for an ADAPT event on World Accessibility Day in May; last year there were events on this day including watching the film *Crip Camp*
- b. Senator for the College of Education and Professional Studies
- c. Senator for Sustainability
- d. Senator for Graduate Studies
- e. Senator of Athletics
- f. Senator for the Equity and Services Council
- g. Senator for Disability Services
- h. Senator at Large Jones
- i. Senator for Undergraduate Transfer Students
- j. Senator for the Veterans Center
- k. Senator for the College of Arts & Humanities
- VI. Presentations
- VII. Unfinished Business
  - a. Approval of Committee Recommendations Cont.
- VIII. New Business
  - a. Discussion on Israel-Palestine Conflict
    - i. Open discussion regarding the Israel-Palestine presentation given at last week's General Assembly
    - ii. Any statement put out by ASCWU must be as unbiased as possible, as well as be pertinent to the student experiences at CWU
    - iii. The University has already created an announcement which addressed this issue in a supportive manner for students experiencing distress related to both sides of the conflict
  - IX. Reports of Advisors
  - X. Announcements
    - a. ASCWU Brunch



- i. November 20<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am to 12:30am downstairs by the Pit
- ii. Recommendations on the menu are being taken
- b. Fee Fair
  - i. November 17
  - ii. Students can see where their money is going when charged fees by the school
- XI. Public Comment