ASUW SENATE MINUTES

The March 5th, 2019 meeting was called to order by Vice President Wilkins at 7:03 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, the mission statement was read, and roll was taken. Ex Officios from Faculty Senate, Non-Traditional Student Council, Residence Halls, Staff Senate, and Student Athlete Advisory Committee were absent. Senators Anselmi-Stith, Bennett, Brooks, Herold, Lane, Mueller, and Woodward were absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved as circulated.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Senator Conard moved to add Senate Resolution #2653 to New Business. Senator Swartz seconded. Motion passed.

The agenda was approved.

OPEN FORUM

No one in the Gallery addressed the Senate.

SPECIAL EVENT

Sarah Davis, University Archivist at the American Heritage Center, addressed the Senate about the AHC, the UW Archives, and the services they provide. Archives include unique, unpublished records. The AHC is in the Centennial Complex and houses the Toppan Rare Books Library, UW Archives, and the Manuscripts Collection. It is the largest collection left of the Mississippi, and the third largest in the country. The UW Archives holds official UW records, Faculty Papers, and records of student and affiliated organizations. The ASUW records held in the UW Archives range from 1913-2014. An archivist takes care of the records to make sure they are preserved and available. Collections that are donated are first appraised by an archivist to determine what kind of preservation steps need to be taken. The items are then arranged in an understandable way and uploaded online. The AHC have partnerships and collaborations across campus by being involved in classes, displaying materials, and providing guest speakers and event spaces. The biggest service they provide to students is archival research.

RSO FUNDING BOARD REQUESTS

There were no RSO Funding Board Requests.
COMMUNICATIONS

Executive Reports

President Mulhall reported that the office has been working on legislation and the end-of-year events. She encouraged the Senators to reach out if they need help with legislation and be aware that there is not much time left for it. She passed around the sign-up sheet for elections tabling, the landlord/tenant petition, and paper to write a testimony about landlord/tenant experiences.

Chief of Staff Harris reported that Financial Literacy month is over and had a successful last event. Elections have officially started, and they need more help tabling. The first info session was yesterday, and the next one is Monday from 10:00-11:30 am in the Union Family Room. Donuts, coffee, and information will be provided. Neither of the Honorary Cowboy recipients will be able to come to campus, but they will still receive their plaques. She reported that she met with catering and the Sustainability Coalition about the potential for a zero waste option on the RSO menu. She is hoping to have more meetings about the landlord/tenant issue in the next few weeks.

Chief of Legislative Affairs Sanders reported that she will be out of town this weekend, so she would appreciate legislation be turned into her by 5:00 pm on Thursday. Additionally, she informed the Senate that the last day to submit legislation is April 5th, which is a month from this Friday. She reminded the Senators to reply to Executives who are looking for sponsors, even if they are saying no. She also reported that she is working to find a location for the away meeting.

Vice President Wilkins reported that it is important for the Senators to sign up for tabling as it will count for service hours, and it shows that they are involved. He informed the Senators that they can submit service hours from January and February on WyoCourses. He reiterated President Mulhall’s statement that anyone in the office can help with legislation. He reported that he is working with Senator Trent and ACES to create a survey about advising. He will also be convening the Mandatory Student Fee Committee to discuss and create questions for that committee. He also has some extra committees that are looking for help, so if any Senators are looking for extra committees to serve on, they should contact him. He reminded the Senators to take care of themselves as many people are getting sick.

Ex Officio Communications

College Panhellenic Council reported that the community is hosting a new member retreat tonight. They are preparing for Greek Week, which will be held at the end of the month.

First-Year Senate reported that they had the first readings of Senate Bills #2651 and #2652. They are also working to fill two vacancies, so Senators should encourage any first-year students they know to apply.
Interfraternity Council had no report.

International Student Association reported that the mid-semester event will be March 9th in the Cheney International Center.

United Multicultural Council reported that they attended the first general meeting of BSA. They have also been having meetings with members of the Shepard Symposium and Spectrum and are working on planning the Drag Show.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Steering reported that they met last week and right before this meeting to steer legislation.

Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy reported that they did not have a meeting last week.

Budget and Planning reported that they will be meeting tomorrow in COB 301 at 4:00 pm to discuss legislation and a realignment.

Programs and Institutional Development had no report.

RSO Funding Board reported that they allocated $500 to Alpha Sigma Phi for conference registration fees, $1097 to ROaR for their event, Carbon Dynamics and Restoration Ecology, and $2780 to WWAMI for their event, Community Organizing Workshop.

Student Outreach and Programming reported that they met to discuss their budget for elections. They are hoping to do a lot of outreach and get higher student involvement in elections this year.

Student Wellness and Advisory Board reported that they will be meeting tomorrow from 5:00-6:30 pm in Half Acre 115.

**COLLEGE CONTACT REPORTS**

Agriculture and Natural Resources reported that they attended a collaboration meeting with the AG Ambassadors and will be working on outreach opportunities and a possible survey.

Arts and Sciences reported that there will be a faculty-led study abroad to Belfast, Ireland from June 24th-July 19th. It is meant for social justice majors, will cost $3800, and students can earn up to 9 credits. The A&S Ambassadors lunch will be March 7th at noon, and the topic for discussion is interdisciplinary research. There is a new RSO called International Studies Student Club, and it meets at 6:00 pm on Thursdays. A&S is working with other campus entities to show *Aquaman* this Friday in the Union Family Room at 6:00 pm and 9:00 pm.

Business had no report.
Education had no report.

Engineering and Applied Sciences reported that they are working together on a new plan since they have lost so many Senators.

Haub School reported that the Sustainability Coalition is tabling this week about institutional composting.

Law reported that they will be scheduling office hours in the Law library this week or next week.

School of Energy Resource reported that this Friday, ROaR is hosting a presentation on Comparative Ecology of Plants in Arid Systems by Elizabeth Ledger in CR 310 at noon. They have opened up their new summer courses.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Senate Bill #2651: Establishing the ASUW Opportunity for Success Scholarship
First Reading.
Steered to Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy; Budget and Planning; Steering.

Senate Bill #2652: Update of ASUW Senatorial Responsibilities
First Reading.
Steered to Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy; Steering.

Senate Resolution #2653:
First Reading.
Steered to Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy; Programs and Institutional Development.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chief of Staff Harris announced that the calendar survey is out now and has been shared on the ASUW Facebook. It is looking at how students use J-term and how it should be used in the future. The BOT wants a lot of student feedback, so the Senators should fill it out and spread the word.

Senator Applegate announced that Chi Omega is holding Swishes for Wishes this Friday. It is a 3-on-3 basketball tournament, and it costs $3 to get in the door. All proceeds to Make-A-Wish.
President Mulhall thanked everyone who went to union visioning events. The Union Visioning Committee had a couple meetings with the contractor, and the contractor felt that they received a lot of consistent and informative student feedback. They will be visiting four more times.

After processing, the meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm. The next regular meeting will be March 12th, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Senate Chambers Union Room 221.

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