

# **ASUW SENATE MEETING MINUTES**

The March 3, 2026, senate meeting was called to order by Vice President McGuire at 7:02 p.m. The land acknowledgement statement and mission statement were read, and the Pledge of Allegiance was done at the individual members' discretion.

## **ROLL CALL**

All Senators were present.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes were approved.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was amended to include the HOPE realignment approval to new business and to remove the confirmations and SOFB requests line.

## **OPEN FORUM**

No one wished to speak in open forum.

## **SPECIAL EVENT**

Martha McCaughey from the Office of the President spoke on free expression and constructive dialogue at UW.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **SB 3086 Revisions to the ASUW Elections Policy Concerning Applications and Financial Expense Report Form Deadlines**

PID and HOPE recommended a do pass.

Senator Golden moved to pass, Senator Robinson seconded.

By a vote of 24-1-0, SB 3086 passes.

### **SB 3087 Revisions to the ASUW Elections Policy Section 1.01**

HOPE and PID recommended a do pass.

Senator Golden moved to pass, Senator Robinson seconded.

By a vote of 23-1-0, SB 3087 passes.

### **SB 3088 Revisions to the ASUW Elections Policy Regarding Section 1.05 Senate Candidate Requirements for Transfer Students**

HOPE and PID recommended a do pass.

Senator Shosh moved to pass, Senator Keasling seconded.

By a vote of 24-0-0, SB 3088 passes.

### **SB 3089 Revisions to the ASUW Elections Policy Regarding Section 1.04 Process for Student Representative Elections**

HOPE recommended a do pass. PID recommended a do pass with amendments.

Senator Keasling moved to pass, Senator Wellikson seconded

Keasling moved to adopt PID's amendments, Robinson seconded.

The amendment passes.

By a vote of 24-0-0, SB 3089 passes.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

HOPE Realignment

Kaiser moved to pass the realignment, Keasling seconded.

By a vote of 24-0-0, the realignment is approved.

SB 3092 Amending the Intercession Oversight Committee to Reflect Chairing Vote Precedent was read for the first time. This legislation was steered to Steering and PID.

SB 3093 Codifying Permanent Vacancy Procedures was read for the first time. This legislation was steered to Steering, PID, and HOPE.

SB 3094 Adding Attendance Requirements for Fee Hearings for Voting Members of the Tuition Allocation and Student Fee Review Committee was read for the first time. This legislation was steered to Steering, TASFRC, and PID.

SB 3095 Introducing an ASUW Scholarship Policy was read for the first time. This legislation was steered to PID and the Scholarship Procedures Ad-Hoc.

Senator of the Month for February

Senator Morales moved to open nominations, Senator Keasling seconded

Senator Wellikson nominated Senator Cooper, accepted.

Senator Keasling moved to white list the ballot, Senator Morales seconded.

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Senator Morales moved to open nominations, Senator Keasling moved to second

Senator Cooper nominated Alyssa Pile, Senator Huelskamp seconded

Senator Siegfried nominated Christian Young, Senator Robinson seconded.

Alyssa Pile was elected as the Student-at-Large of the Month for February

Senator Golden moved to open elections for the 114<sup>th</sup> Administration, Senator Cooper seconded. By a vote of 24-0-0, elections are open.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Morales: Hello all. This is my final announcement about the legislative session. The legislative session is official over this Friday, and a lot of developments have happened in a week. Firstly, Increases to the Hathaway scholarship have officially become law as Gov. Gordan signed the bill last week. The budget was also approved yesterday by both the house and senate. This finalized budget has funding for Wyoming Public Media, as well as a full funding for the University of Wyoming, with a potential \$10 million if the University cannot prove \$5 million in cost savings. This is a create success for the university and ASUW. I know I have been saying this for weeks now, but great job to everyone who testified and lobbied. This legislative session could not have gone better for us, so give yourselves a pat on the back for such a great job!

Hansen: As mentioned last week, TASFRC heard on Friday a proposal from transit to increase permit costs by 5.5% next year. The committee ultimately recommended a 4% increase to cost of parking permits for the next year and the recommendation has been sent to the central fee committee. If you have any questions or want to discuss this recommendation please talk to me about it. Additionally, there is a TASFRC bill up for 2<sup>nd</sup> reading next week. If you have any questions about it or amendments to it please let me know before senate next week.

Robinson: First up in the music building this week is this Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in the BCPA Concert Hall where the UW Symphony is presenting a semiquincentennial performance. This is a ticketed event. Tickets can be purchased online or at the BCPA Box Office. Next is this Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in the BCPA Recital Hall where the David Wong Trio is performing. This is a free event. Also this Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in the BCPA Main Stage Theatre they are presenting Collective Motion. This is a ticketed event. Finally, this Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm in the BCPA Main Stage Theatre they are presenting Collective Motion "Pay What You Can." This is a free event, but donations are encouraged. As always, if you're interested in any of these events, I highly recommend you reach out to me for more details or to just attend!

President Medina: congrats on our success at the State Legislature, personally thanked by President Seidel that we were the most influential voices in debate on the block grant cuts. Sent out folder on academic calendar and its very important that we give feedback on the calendar regarding thanksgiving break and other things. Will be occupied next Tuesday and Wednesday for president search committee interviews, please give feedback on publicly available information. Director of External Affairs requests that we shift to thanking the State Legislature for not cutting our funding, will send out a template for this.

Golden: I want to thank everyone for the pass on the realignment and bills, but most especially thank everyone who attended, donated, and helped with the famed chili event, it was a very successful and we already have people ask if we were doing it again. We ran out of chili and had to order pizza to feed everyone. We had about 150 people in attendance and upwards of 300-350 donations. An extra thanks to our marketing team and committee, none of it would have been possible without them.

COLA Heffley: Reach out with any questions about scholarships or the new policy

Kasier: Working with Director Elwood on FSL support resolution considering recent BOT decisions regarding Sig Ep house and other issues, please reach out if interested.

FYS Rock: CSCC and MeCHA are collaborating on an anything but country night this Thursday 8:30-9.

VP McGuire: 7 meetings left in admin. Unless you've spoken to him or advisors, please don't work over spring break unless absolutely necessary (scholarship committees).

After processing, the meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm. The next regular meeting of the Senate will be on March 10, 2026, at 7:00p.m. in the Senate Chambers.

Ray Heffley

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