

ASUW SENATE MEETING MINUTES

The September 1, 2026, senate meeting was called to order by Vice President Elwood at 7:04 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 approved.

OPEN FORUM

No one wished to speak in Open Forum.

CONFIRMATIONS

President Kaiser spoke on behalf of Hendrik Bartel as Director of Finance. Senator Martinez moved to confirm, Osterli seconded. By a vote of 21-0-0, Hendrick Bartel was confirmed as the Director of Finance.

President Kaiser spoke on behalf of Abigail Truax as Director of Internal Marketing. Nevidomsky moved to confirm, Khan seconded. By a vote of 21-0-0, Abigail Truax was confirmed as the Director of Internal Marketing.

President Kaiser spoke on behalf of Sam Jordan as Director of Student Organizations. Hathaway moved to confirm, Ingraham seconded. By a vote of 21-0-0, Sam Jordan was confirmed as the Director of Student Organizations.

President Kaiser spoke on behalf of Kelsey Cooper as Director of External Public Affairs and Advocacy. Robinson moved to confirm, Hansen seconded. By a vote of 21-0-0, Kelsey Cooper was confirmed as the Director of External Public Affairs and Advocacy.

Chief of Staff Golden spoke on behalf of Miles Puryear as Director of Student Outreach. McCarthy moved to confirm, Hansen seconded. By a vote of 21-0-0, Miles Puryear was confirmed as the Director of Student Outreach.

President Kaiser spoke on behalf of Leni Dimas to the University Parking Ticket Appeals Committee. Fuller moved to confirm, Osterli seconded. By a vote of 21-0-0, Leni Dimas was confirmed to sit on the University Parking Ticket Appeals Committee.

COMMUNICATIONS

President Kaiser: Thank you for confirming our executive team, we hope to incentivize our senators to work closely with our directors on any projects they may have. Summer updates- LASSO is going well and is rebranded as a paid internship program. The new director will be hired within ACES and will act as a hub and spoke model with existing student success programs. The 2.3 million from the state will have an appropriation plan due to the legislature in December. Graduate student stipend increases are a major focus of our administration and our DoEPAA Cooper. This is something that is imperative as we begin to talk about recruitment and retention within a regional competition context. We also have had significant conversations about AI in teaching and learning and how we can best support our students in a changing world. There will be more conversations about this as we work to introduce a comprehensive piece of legislation focused on student support for administrative goals relating to emerging technology and digital literacy. Please reach out with any questions.

VP Elwood: Thanks for the great orientation, hoping it was good preparation. Finalize office hours after committees are finalized so we can maximize good timing. That info will be put in a spreadsheet for business office. Committees are going to shuffle due to timing constraints, be on the lookout for those changes. Please open availability to as available as possible so we can get our committees scheduled, time will be given back. Log Sunday hours as your first hours, let us know if you may go over hours this week. Strategic plan is being finalized and will be posted Friday. Printing is getting odd, its getting printed in Union rather than in office. Please send any printing things to ASUWgov account.

Chief of Staff Golden: Been working on onboarding, now shifting to civic engagement project on campus. Director Corley finished up the DIA shuttle and has been meeting with Faculty and Staff Senate. Director Nelson is excited for the year and continuing her work. Poster runs now have a three week delay, will double check, so please reach out to her for any poster run events to get those advertised well. Director Truax has been working on CMS training to edit the website. Director Cooper is setting up projects on grad student stipends and civic engagement, please reach out with any questions. Director Jordan is working on updating the qualtrics with the lodging and flight updates, updating form next week. Director Bartel has been working on onboarding and thinking of ideas for student financial wellness and is excited to meet everyone.

Chief of Legislative Affairs Heffley: Please teams comms, open door policy for any questions, let me know if there is interest in a legislative workshop

Panhellenic: Thanks for cowboy carnival funding, event went very very well. There are 100 potential new members set up for recruitment, very good event for new students on campus. Panhellenic is getting ready for formal recruitment

FYS: Working on tabling and fleshing out the mentorship program. Will be working on recruiting and interviewing. First meeting Sept 29 with delegates coming 10/20. Planning on hosting a mixer with ASUW and FYS to better integrate them.

Prostaff: email about hiring sent out, please complete them and any trainings/COI. Payroll is odd, probably because of training or a mysterious third reason. More answers this week. Updates on business office, Gracilyn moved on to job in Cheyenne, Eric is new deputy and Maddie is new Office Associate. Hiring for 3rd deputy and has been approved in the budget. Please send committee meeting times to Maddie to get the conference room booked.

IOC: The Intersession Oversight Committee met four times this summer. The first was on Wednesday, June 10th where we elected Senator Hansen as secretary and approved an \$800 realignment for the American Chemical Society. We met for a second time in June on Friday, June 26th where we confirmed Justice Nelsen as the Director of External Marketing. Our third meeting was on Tuesday, July 28th where we confirmed Hayden Mackenzie as the First-Year Senate Advisor. Finally, on Tuesday, August 11th IOC met and confirmed Nathan Corley as Director of Internal Public Affairs and Advocacy and approved the realignment for the 3rd office associate.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Senator Osterli moved to open nominations for Steering, Senator Hansen seconded.

Senator Wellikson nominated Senator Paul, accepted. Senator Wellikson spoke on behalf of Senator Paul

Senator Hansen nominated Senator Fuller, accepted. Senator Hansen spoke on behalf of Senator Fuller.

Senator Robinson nominated Senator Siegfried, accepted. Senator Robinson spoke on behalf of Senator Siegfried

Senators Paul and Fuller were elected as the Senators-at-large on Steering.

President Kaiser read the charge letter for the FSL Advancement and University Engagement Ad-Hoc.

Senator Khan moved to approve the creation of the Ad-Hoc, Senator Morales seconded. By a majority voice vote, the ad-hoc was approved.

Senator Robinson moved to open noms, Senator Morales seconded.

Senator Siegfried nominated Senator Robinson, accepted.

Senator Wellikson nominated Senator Khan, accepted.

Senator Osterli nominated Senator Ingraham, accepted.

Senator Nevidomsky nominated Senator Michelena, accepted.

Senator Michelena nominated Senator Nevidomsky, accepted.

Senator Morales nominated Senator Siegfried, accepted.

Senators Khan, Siegfried, and Robinson were elected as Senators on the FSL Advancement and University Engagement Ad-Hoc.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COS Golden: Will be sending out excel sheet for election day volunteering.

Senator Siegfried: Cowgirls Soccer has a record of 4-2, cowgirls volleyball at 2-0, Border War this weekend (2-1 for the past 3 years).

Senator Nevidomsky: Wyoming Motorsports has first meeting tmrw at 6 pm in Engineering building.

After processing, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm. The next regular meeting of the Senate will be on September 8, 2026, at 7:00p.m. in the Senate Chambers.

Ray Heffley

Chief of Legislative Affairs 114th Administration