**ASUW SENATE MEETING MINUTES**

The September 12th, 2023, senate meeting was called to order by Vice President Petri at 7:08 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**

Senator Gomelsky was absent.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Chair directed the Senate to withhold grammatical and capitalization errors and have them sent over to the Chief of Legislative Affairs for correction.

Senator Langford moved to amend to add that they nominated senator Meiklejohn

The minutes were approved as amended

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Senator Meiklejohn moved to add confirmation of the senatorial makeup of standing committees

**OPEN FORUM**

Alex Keen from the Office of budget and finance came to speak on the issue of ASUW financial autonomy and provided more context on that.

Kate is the new assistant to VP Chesnutt and wanted to introduce herself to the Senate.

**SOFB Funding Request**

The chair invited the Chair of SOFB to talk about the request submitted to the senate.

The President of the organization spoke on behalf of their event.

The Chair opened the floor for questions.

Senator Langford moved to approve the request.

Senator Anderson seconded the motion.

The floor was opened to discussion.

The floor was closed to discussion and moved to a standing vote

The request was approved unanimously.

**OLD BUISNESS**

There was no Old Business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Jessica Yang Director Confirmation

President Smith spoke on behalf of the Director Candidate and invited the candidate to speak on behalf of themselves as well as opened themselves up to questions from the senate.

Senator Meester moved to reconfirm Jessica Yang as the director of community and government affairs.

Senator Keasling seconded.

The floor was opened for discussion.

The Director Candidate was confirmed unanimously.

Laura Murphy Director Confirmation:

President Smith spoke on behalf of the Director Candidate and invited the candidate to speak on behalf of themselves as well as opened themselves up to questions from the senate.

Senator Meiklejohn moved to confirm the Director Candidate

Senator Anderson Seconded

The floor was opened to discussion.

The Director Candidate was confirmed on a 16-1-2 standing vote.

SB# 2892 Official Germane Process:

The bill was read on the floor for the first time.

The bill was steered to Steering as well as PID

SB# 2893 Temporal Edits to Student-at-Large and Senator of the month:

The bill was read on the floor for the first time.

The bill was steered to Steering and PID

SB# 2894 A bill to establish a sole subject rule for ASUW Legislation:

The bill was read on the floor for the first time.

The bill was steered to Steering and PID

SB#2895 A bill reforming the vacancy of office procedures:

The bill was read on the floor for the first time.

The bill was steered to OPE and PID

SB#2896 ASUW Committee Transparency Act:

The bill was read on the floor for the first time.

The bill was steered to all standing committees.

AD-Hoc Charge letter:

Senator Hennigar moved to confirm the charge letter.

Senator Medina seconded.

The floor was opened to discussion.

Senator Knull moved to close debate.

Senator Meester seconded.

Senator Meester moved to previous question.

Debate was closed.

The Chair called for a vote on the charge letter.

The charge letter was confirmed unanimously.

At the chairs discretion the floor was opened for nominations for senators to serve on the ad hoc committee.

Senator Meester nominated Senator Murfitt.

Senator Hennigar nominated themselves.

Senator Brown nominated themselves.

Senator Murfitt nominated Senator Meester.

Senator Medina nominated Senator McGuire.

Senator Bogani nominated Senator Saint.

Senator Langford nominated themselves.

Senator Gundling nominated Senator Grimm who respectfully declined.

Senator Meiklejohn nominated Senator Keasling.

Senator Worcester nominated themselves.

The chair invited each nominator to speak on behalf of their nominees and limited the speaking times to 3 minutes per speech.

Senators Murfitt, McGuire, Hennigar and Keasling were chosen to sit on the ad-hoc committee.

Standing Committee Confirmation:

Senator Keasling moved to confirm the Standing Committees

Senator Meester Seconded

The floor was opened to discussion.

The committees were confirmed unanimously. .

**Communications:**

President Smith:

Communicated that:

-The Vacancy board is open and receiving applicants.

-Need one more student at large is the senate knows anyone who would be interested in the vacancy board.

-he would write legislation to repeal the vacancy board

-JC appointments coming up there are two vacancies.

-Ad hoc committee info will be sent out tomorrow.

-Board of trustees next week saddle up freedom of expression and enrollment as topics senators allowed to come to open forum and speak.

-Everything in the office is great.

Jerry is working for the audit, Gus is working on realignments, Jessica reaching out to shareholders, Joy sending out night caps and cup condoms meeting with ucc, Anthony working on giving day. Tanya upkeeping social media and making hoco t-shirts.

Vice President Petri:

The Vice President expressed she helped organize the senate along with the Chief of Legislative Affairs.

Assistant Director Interim:

Accountant schaef communicated that our audit will begin on Monday and expressed her door is always open.

Project coordinator craft communicated that he and FYS advisor Cole Shliebe were conducting very successful interviews. He expressed the importance of FYS as a whole and referenced the amount of previous FYSers in the room as a success of the program.

1st meeting is on the next meeting on the 19th and expressed that the senate was welcome there and encouraged them to come.

Non-Traditional Student Council:

Had another officer meeting all officers approved by PID first event this Thursday at 5 in pokes pub.

UMC:

Announced that UMC would meet Thursday at five for scheduling UMC big events.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Senator Grimm announced the tri delta 24hr pancake breakfast was happening and to reach out to her.

Senator Anderson announced that FYS advisor Cole Shliebe wished for him to express to the senate if the senate knew any First Year Students to have them apply for FYS.

Senator Brown announced the political science club would meet in classroom 149.

Senator Gundling tri delt pancake breakfast.

Senator McGuire announced that he wanted to thank the Pres and the exec branch for fighting on the issue of financial autonomy.

Senator Meester germaned.

Senator McGuire appealed and the chair granted the appeal.

Senator Meiklejohn announced that the uwyo swim club started their practices tonight and Wednesday and expressed practices were at 6:30 and announced that panhellenic recruitment starts Thursday with attending house tours and that you don’t have to be a freshman.

Senator Anderson also announced that SOFB is there to help and urged senators to send student orgs to them for event funding.

After processing, the meeting adjourned at 9:08p.m. The next regular meeting of the Senate will be on September 12th, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Union Senate Chambers Room 221.

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*Supplemental Notes taken by Senators Keasling and Hennigar*