

ASUW SENATE MEETING MINUTES

The January 20, 2026, senate meeting was called to order by Vice President McGuire at 7:00 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. Ag Ambassadors and UMC 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.

COMMUNICATIONS

VP: Worked with Pres office to coordinate visit to mens correctional facility in Torrington where 20 students are enrolled, message if interested. Coordinating response to BOT public comment period (Thurs 11 am, Gateway Center) if anyone is interested to join regarding Union Parking resolution, reach out to him or COS ASAP. Working with Senators prepping legislation for state legislative session. As fiduciary head for Legislative head, he is willing to share process to let folks know how that works. Applications in for one remaining vacancy. FYS is going along well. Hope everyone had a good break.

Advisor: Welcome back! Changes to BO, hiring new deputy Office Associate, Rylan is now the ASUW Accountant. Thanks to chairs for communicating with Gracilynn regarding committee times. Scholarship committees starting up in Feb, there will be 6 committees. Maureen will be here for 7 more weeks, then advisor roles will be split between Patrick and Rylan.

COS: Not much, directors calendars are up to date.

COLA: Not much, desk is the same place as always.

FYS: First full meeting with new head table, went well.

UMC: Starting student circles and meetings starting next Fridays 1-2 in warm valley. Working on MLK days of dialogue in Feb, then diversity week planning.

Ag Ambassadors: Haven't met yet, will have more info next week.
Steering: Nothing, meetings will stay 8 am on Fri.

B&P: Hello everyone, I have a few updates regarding the budget timeline. Earlier today, all the fiduciary heads of our ASUW departments received a email with their budget request form for FY27. Those will need to be completed by January 30th at the latest, and they will need to also schedule a budget hearing with myself and our accountant before February 5th to fully provide context for any choices that were made. The committee will then deliberate on the 7th, and begin writing the bill shortly after that. The bill will be submitted to steering by February 12th and will be up for second reading on the 24th. Please feel free to ask questions about the budget to any BNP member or to myself and we will find you the answer. I want this process to be as smooth as possible, and it starts with reaching out about concerns beforehand. Thank you!

HOPE: Meeting Fri 1-2, starting back on chili event Feb 26.

PID: Still meeting Thurs 8 am, excting things this semester.

SWAC: Same time Thurs 4:10-5, excited to get going.

SOFB: IOC approved two large requests from the SOFB over break.

- Model Arab League Rocky Mountain Competition week of February 12th to 14th, Valentines day
 - o \$8,450
- Chinese Student and Scholar Association Lunar New Year Gala Feb 7th, 5 pm
 - o \$9,050

TASFRC: Meeting 3:15 on Fridays, excited to get going on spring activities and being more active.

Scholarships: Meeting next week.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business

NEW BUSINESS

No new business

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COLA: Send me announcements

Robinson: Welcome back everyone! While 90% the Buchanan Concert Schedule has not been published yet, I do have one event for you all. Not this next Friday, but the following, Friday, January 30th at 7:30pm in the BCPA Concert Hall there is a Buchanan Special Event. They are

presenting a modern twist on traditional Swedish and Estonian folk music. This is a ticketed event, however, if students use their W Number, you can get 50% off on your ticket purchase.

Shosh: Human trafficking awareness week posted on our insta

After processing, the meeting adjourned at 7:26. The next regular meeting of the Senate will be on January 27, 2026, at 7:00p.m. in the Senate Chambers.

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