

ASUW SENATE MEETING MINUTES

The January 24th, 2022, senate meeting was called to order by Vice President Swilling 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

Senator Clapper and Ewalt were absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved without objection.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

College Panhellenic Council Ex-Officio Jaruszewski moved to correct Olivia Crook's name underneath the confirmation of New ASUW Senators.

The agenda was approved, as amended, without objection.

OPEN FORUM

Dean O'Neil addressed the Senate and asked for additional people to attend Green Dot training.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Zebadiah Hall Vice President of the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion addressed what he wants to work on. This comes in three ways; economic portfolio, platform, and Wyoming pride. Hall has worked with students' disability services at Cornell which brought him to love his work. He has worked at four different institutions with different makeup that has prepared him for this job. Offers students an opportunity to work with his office and especially extends that opportunity to the Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion for ASUW. He will come back to us with a questionnaire for students to see what the climate is at UW. He is really excited to make a difference in every corner of our state. He is really passionate about effective and respectful communication and breaking down the barriers that politics have. Hall said his biggest inspiration is his parents. Their lack of access made him want to give access to others.

CONFIRMATION OF NEW ASUW SENATORS

Colter Anderson ASUW Senate Confirmation

Senator Bouma moved to confirm.

Seconded by Senator McLean

Colter Anderson was confirmed to the ASUW Senate unanimously.

Olivia Crook ASUW Senate Confirmation

Senator Schliebe moved to confirm.
Seconded by Senator McLean
Olivia Crook was confirmed to the ASUW Senate unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

Executive Reports

President Brown has been working on the Executive Branch Budget Requests. President/VP would get paid \$14.50, chiefs would receive \$13.50, and executives would receive \$13.00. There is one less executive within the budget. There is a proposed reduction in chiefs and executives hours. There is a restructuring of summer hours/ hiring and some increases to line items for inflation. An additional \$1,000 for sexual assault prevention products and \$300 for sustainability. Additionally, a \$9,004 surplus. President Brown met with Provost Carmen regarding the FYS and centralized advising. Carnegie Engagement Taskforce requirements are being discussed. Block Tuition Exemption Committee had their kick off meeting and are looking for undergraduate and graduate students. President Brown met with President Seidel meeting about parking, the state legislature, the block tuition exemption process, freedom of expression group, AI chatbots, UW Wi-Fi TikTok ban, Board of Trustees, and the intellectual/physical security. President Brown has attended a few executive sessions and multiple external meetings. There are a few legislative projects President Brown has been working on: Support Gender and Women's studies, open carry exemption zones, and support for buildings/dorms.

Chief of Staff Skorcz was not present.

Chief of Legislative Affairs Smith reported that he will be conducting Senator one on one to go over goals for the year and how the Executive Branch could assist with those goals.

Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Sapien not present.

Director of Student Outreach Murfitt was not present.

Director of Student Organizations Acosta-Engavo not present.

Director of Finance Hamilton had no report.

Director of Governmental and Community Affairs Heddins not present.

Director of Wellness Malles not present.

Director of Sustainability Macey not present.

Judicial Council was not present.

Vice President Swilling reminded senators to speak while others have the floor. He said he would follow the speaking lists more thoroughly. Swilling reminded people to CC the pertinent

executives and pro staff on external communications. He has been working on a legislation to change the schedule of Senate meetings. He reported that committees will be out soon and the legislative budget is going through the Budget and Planning process.

Assistant Director Hansen submitted the business office budget, which includes funding for an ASUW retreat every year and a request for professional development for pro-staff.

Accountant Schaefer: “Last week during Senate communications, questions again came up regarding international pay. If you have any questions or would like to have further discussions on this topic, please know I am available for transparent discussion and open to any new ideas that you may have. Budget hearings kick off tomorrow with 14 hearings over the next 2 weeks, the Summit this Saturday, and then for many of us, spending next Saturday finalizing the first draft of the FY24 budget. With so much happening these next few weeks, I’m concerned for you all and want you know that I’m here to support you and help you navigate this very busy time and also just want to remind you all that you are still students first.”

Project Coordinator Craft put together several submitted budgets for the programs of ASUW. There was an increase in the funds for UMC. The First-Year Senate has also seen an increase in its budget because of their dedication and hard work. The Non-traditional student council requested more funds to plan more events. The Sustainability Coalition did not request a budget for FY24.

Ex-Officio Communications

College Panhellenic Council (CPH) announced Fraternal Standards Board finished training and the application is opening for the DEI position with DEI.

Faculty Senate was not present.

First-Year Senate (FYS) reported that They met tonight and unfortunately had low attendance. They are attempting to prevent resignations and fill the vacancies. They encouraged the ASUW Senate to be more active with the FYS Mentorship program. FYS Presiding Officer McGuire met with the First-Year experience committee along with Senator Alemejo-Ponce.

Interfraternity Council (IFC) also reported that Compass is starting soon, and recruitment is currently going on. CPH and IFC will also have their leadership meeting soon.

International Students Association (ISA) was not present.

Non-Traditional Student Council was not present.

Residence Halls Association was not present.

The Sustainability Coalition was not present.

Staff Senate was not present.

Student Athlete Advisory Committee was not present.

United Multicultural Council (UMC) was not present.

Wyoming Honors Organization was not present.

Committee Reports

Steering Met last Friday at 8:00 a.m. and had preliminary discussions.

Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy (AD&P) Mondays from 3-4 p.m. is the committee's new permanent meeting time. The distributors of Night Cap have reached out to the committee to continue to the purchasing of the sexual assault prevention products.

Budget and Planning (B&P) met on Monday about a budget realignment for Director Hansen. It was approved for \$1300.

Outreach, Programming, and Elections (OPE) are incredibly excited for the two new senators to join the ASUW Senate. They hope to have more confirmations in the upcoming weeks. Their budget request has increased for catering and Homecoming.

Program and Institutional Development (PID): "We are still trying to work out a time to meet. We will not meet this week regardless so that senators can attend budget hearings. With that being said, if you're on my committee, please fill out the When2Meet. I have had some people ask me about budgets for programs. I would suggest going to Cameron with any questions about program budgets as I was unable to work with them over break. Finally, once we can meet, PID will start working on reworking programs and dissolving partnerships from our bylaws. The goal is to change the role and expectations of programs within our body, particularly to get the programs involved in a more impactful way. We want them to be able to use their paid hours working with students, administration, throwing events and working with ASUW on the ground floor."

Student Organization Funding Board (SOFB) will be meeting on Friday's from 10am-11am. The budget hearing is this week for the committee. They have a plethora of funding requests to vote on.

Tuition Allocation and Fee Review Committee (TASFRC) are meeting Friday from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. will be the new committee time in the College of Business Conference Room.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business this week.

NEW BUSINESS

ASUW Accessibility Ad-Hoc Committee

Senator Grimm moved to pass.
Senator Bouma seconded.
The ASUW Accessibility Ad-Hoc Committee was passed unanimously.

ASUW Student Employment and Wages Ad-Hoc Committee

Senator Bouma moved to pass.
Senator McLean seconded.
The ASUW Student Employment and Wages Ad-Hoc Committee.

Nomination and selection of the ASUW Sergeant-at-Arms

Senator Schliebe nominated Senator Colter Anderson
Senator Colter Anderson accepted.
Senator McLean nominated Senator Ewalt
Senator Ewalt accepted.
Senator Bouma nominated Senator Cord Anderson.
Senator Cord Anderson accepted.
Senator Ewalt was elected as the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Nomination and Selection of the Steering Senator-at-Large

Senator Colter Anderson nominated himself
Senator Meiklejohn nominated Senator Crook
Senator Crook accepted.
President Brown nominated Senator McLean
Senator McLean accepted.
Senator Crook was elected for the Steering Senator-at-Large.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator McLean announced the film screening for the film Female Pleasure at 7:00 p.m. in the ag auditorium. She announced Green dot training and reminded the body that the previous overview that ASUW did does not go towards the GreenDot count nor does it count as a full GreenDot training. She is currently working on two resolutions regarding the two at the state legislature.

Senator Stadler announced that Student Media is hosting First Amendment Days this spring semester (dates to be determined). There will be five days of the event, each day dedicated to one of the five rights the amendment provides. We are looking for volunteers that might be willing to help with these events, especially the assembly and petition days. If you or someone you know is interested in helping plan and run these events, please contact Senator Stadler at bstadler@uwyo.edu.

Senator Grimm congratulates the two new senators. And announced that Senator Bouma was elected as the Co-chair for OPE

Senator Willis reported on behalf of SAC and had an extensive meeting last night. SAAC is participating in Read Across America, a program that provides the opportunity to impact our community positively. This event was a huge success last year and left many lasting impacts. Each student/student-athlete will read to a class for 20 minutes, yet there are opportunities for people to read to multiple classes at multiple schools. SAAC will be partnering with Beitel Elementary School on February 27th, Indian Paintbrush Elementary on February 28th, Snowy Range Elementary on March 1st, and Slade Elementary on March 2nd. For further information, people are more than welcome to email Josh Rodgers at jrodger8@uwyo.edu.

VP Swilling announced that communications was far too long and that we need to speak up.

After processing, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Senate will be on January 18th, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Union Senate Chambers Room 221.

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

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Chief of Legislative Affairs 110th Administration

Notes taken by Senator Engelby

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