

ASUW SENATE MEETING MINUTES

The October 18th, 2022, senate meeting was called to order by Vice President Carrier 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

Senators Micklejohn and Engelby were absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved without objection.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The minutes were approved without objection.

OPEN FORUM

No one in the gallery wished to address the Senate.

SPECIAL EVENT

Vice-President Carrier created trivia for the Senate.

COMMUNICATIONS

Executive Reports

President Brown: "Happy Homecoming Week! Great work to OPE Chair Clark Mellot and the OPE Committee As well as our Director Pappas and our Director Murfitt Last night we held our Pokes Vote Candidate Meet and Greet Went so well, 45+ candidates and around 30-35 students attended. It was a great opportunity for students to interact with candidates, appreciative Conversations with Candidate for US Representative Hageman. I had conversations with City Council. I'd like to give a shoutout to Director Heddins, Director Murffit, and Chief Skorcz on this! I attended the Board of Trustees (BOT) Conference Call on past Wednesday Primarily in Executive Session Decisions to lower/regulate certain tuitions. There was a meeting for our Biennium Budget Committee this Thursday to discuss new potentials for partnerships with stakeholders in Wyoming Lead-up to the November BOT Meeting, held in the Union, looking to schedule a coffee/lunch with Trustees for ASUW attendees. For the November Seidel's Evaluation I'm compiling: Survey Results Slide deck for me to present during BOT Executive Session We also met with President Seidel's evaluating consultant thanks to all who came Takeaways of communication, difficult campus foundations, and prioritizing the needs of students opposed to the state government or state stakeholders. There was a meeting with

President Seidel's Cabinet Thursday with his VPs, who are basically his execs, like VP Chestnut Unique opportunity for us to discuss items of interest Collaboration with Faculty and Staff Senate Bringing in data from the Student Issues Reports Student Issues Reports Will be sent out on our senate email chain by the end of the week There will be a report/results document for each section of the survey Summaries on top detailing ASUW's thoughts on the survey/positions in relevant areas Executive Branch Special Projects Partnering with Student Health Services to subsidize student healthcare Thank you to our Interfraternity council and College Panhellenic Council ex-officios to help get statements of support Working with IT and Academic Tech services for rental devices I will also offer, I know some senators have approached me about utilizing the facilities Endowment – I am more than open to having these conversations, please feel free to schedule something with me to discuss this as it only needs my approval – and pass this on to others who also may be interested Ombuds' Office Legislation Working with Staff Senate and Chief Smith to write joint resolution outlining reporting. The office is not reporting to HR or Departments, but independent. I was asked by a Trustee to develop the reporting line ASUW's Fee Proposal – Not raising, which we determined in our new committee model. There is a \$5,000 ASUW match from Giving Day!

Chief of Staff Skorcz reported on behalf of Director Malles and the event that will be taking place on October 27th Purple Thursday that will be happening later this month. Giving Day is incredibly important and the funds going to ASUW will be going to International/DACA students, and will be matched by the internal matching fund up to \$5,000. She spoke on behalf of Director Hanson who told the Senate to take some time to relax because of burnout.

Chief of Legislative Affairs Smith continues work on legislation and fully updated the legislative archives on the ASUW Website as of the time of this report.

Director of Marketing Pappas reminded everyone about Cash Bash and passed around the sign-up sheet.

Director of Student Outreach Murfitt: "Much of my time last week included making finalizations to the Town Hall that took place last Thursday where President Brown, Chief Skorcz, and Director Heddins were the panelists and I offered prepared questions along with questions posed by students who attended. Topics that were discussed included Block Tuition, Student Parking, and Student Wages. In total, we had around thirty students attend the first Town Hall. The next town hall is slated for November 17th. This last week, I also worked with Vice-President Carrier to break down the data and write a report on the ASUW Feedback portion of the Student Issues Survey. Yesterday, I helped the OPE committee hand out pizza and t-shirts. The rest of my time was devoted to the Pokes Vote Midterm Candidate Meet & Greet which happened last night from six to eight. We had right around 45 candidates attend this event from all levels ranging from school district, to city council, all the way to U.S. Representative. We also had an estimated 40-50 students attend this event as well. "

Director of Student Organizations Acosta-Engavo was not present.

Director of Finance Hamilton was not present.

Director of Diversity and Inclusion Lin was not present.

Director of Wellness Malles was not present.

Director of Sustainability Macey was not present.

Vice President Carrier: “Service hours are due Thursday, if you have any problems or questions, come let me know. This past week a lot of time has been spent working on codifying data from student issues survey results, particularly focusing on parking/transportation, ASUW feedback, and University Studies Programs. A lot of my time this week has also been spent around Tuition Allocation and Student Fee Review Committee (TASFRC) related items and working through those hearings. I am hoping to start conducting mid-semester Senator check ins with you all to get a sense of how things are going and to get a better idea of what you all are working on, so be on the lookout for an email soon to schedule that. With that, we are going to be having a committee chair check in on Monday the 24th for us all to have the opportunity to touch base and connect with each other. This week I am working on assigning FYS to committees, revisiting our goals and strategic plan. My Senator of the week goes to Senator Clark, which is only fair since it is homecoming week and he has been going a great job organizing everything through OPE.

Assistant Director Hansen was not present.

Accountant Schaef: “This week, my Moment of Inspiration is our Director of Marketing, Kosta. It’s such a busy time of year between Flag Football, Homecoming, Giving Day, Town Halls, Pokes Vote, Special Projects just to name a few. Marketing is vital to the success of all of the events and so everyone relies on Kosta and is constantly requesting assistance and marketing materials and social media posts. Somehow Kosta is still literally ALWAYS smiling and never appears to be stressed out or frustrated. Getting to work with Kosta is a constant inspiration that a positive attitude and strong work ethic can occur at the same time. Thank you Kosta for all of your hard work!”

Project Coordinator Craft reported that he has been busy working with ASUW Partner and Programs in organizing their events. He gave a shoutout to First-Year Senate for decorating the Union for Homecoming.

Ex- Officio Communications

College Panhellenic Council (CPH) reported that Each chapter is partnered with a fraternity and hosts events throughout the event. Delta Delta Delta is hosting their pancake breakfast this week.

Faculty Senate was not present.

First-Year Senate (FYS) was not present.

Interfraternity Council (IFC) Sigma Phi Epsilon is doing spooky spaghetti which is an all you can eat spaghetti, which all proceeds will go to Green Dot. Sigma Alpha Epsilon will be holding a haunted house and all proceeds will go to Laramie Foster Project.

International Students Association (ISA) reported that they are Hosting International Coffee hour this Friday. They had a meeting this week where they were looking into different sources of funding for their etiquette dinner. They expressed their concerns regarding ASUW's payment structure which doesn't allow for international students to work for ASUW.

Non-Traditional Student Council reported that they Had their first event this past Friday and it was a Halloween Party. The next event will be at the end of the semester.

Residence Halls Association reported that they are now starting to get everything running and are filing their leadership positions. They have their first event next week for the trick-or-treat event.

The Sustainability Coalition was not present.

Staff Senate was not present.

Student Athlete Advisory Committee was not present.

United Multicultural Council reported that they had their third meeting of this semester and there was a presentation on Matthew Sheppard. They will be holding international coffee hour on Friday with ISA. They are working on their constitution. Thursday October 27th is the next scheduled meeting time.

Wyoming Honors Organization was not present.

Committee Reports

Steering met on Friday from 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. and reviewed two pieces of legislation with amendments and steered two bills.

Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy (AD&P) met on Friday at 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. and discussed special projects.

Budget and Planning (B&P): "Last week we approved a realignment of \$100, \$50 from executive contingency and \$50 from legislative contingency, to purchase supplies for the Vedauwoo campfire that took place on 10/14. We approved a realignment of \$708 from unspent UMC salaries to hold four Coffee Hour events in collaboration with ISA. This was amended down from their initial request of \$1,760, as the committee wanted them to have some wiggle room in those unspent salaries to put towards other goals that may come up, since money is tight this year. If they end up needing more money for Coffee Hours, we discussed that we would be willing to realign additional funds. The Committee approved a realignment of \$838.48 in total; \$325 from OPE's professional services expense line item to OPE's advertising and utensils line items for a walking taco event and \$463.48 from leftover pizza budget to walking tacos and \$50 from utensils to walking tacos. We discussed legislation that Senator Engel-Cartie is writing to clarify scholarship committees and create an ASUW endowment policy. This week we received

a total of 26 applications for Special Projects. For context, last year we received 9, so this is an increase of almost 300%. We will be meeting from 7:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m. in the ASUW Conference to discuss which projects are eligible and who we would like to offer a hearing. Any of you are welcome to attend if you would like, but if you plan on coming please shoot me an email by noon tomorrow so I can make sure we have enough space. Due to limited time, only committee members will have speaking rights, but they can certainly yield to you, and we welcome all opinions. Applications are available on the SharePoint in the B&P folder, please feel free to take a look through them if you are interested. We will be holding hearings throughout the weeks of October 24th and 31st, and we will be making our decisions on who we would like to fund on Thursday, November 3rd and submitting the legislation that same day. First reading will November 8th and second reading will be November 15th, so please be prepared to We will touch base on legislation that Senator Engel-Cartie is writing. We will take action on any realignments that come in. We will discuss two minor budget issues, a charge from the AHC and an overage cost from homecoming shirts.”

Outreach, Programming, and Elections (OPE) gave a recommendation on the bill steered. They are working on Homecoming and need to take money from OPE to alleviate the Homecoming budget. The committee reports that the outreach this administration is going well. Instead of purchasing walking tacos they will now be purchasing food from Rasing Caine’s Fingers for Friday.

Program and Institutional Development (PID) had no report.

Student Organization Funding Board (SOFB): “SOFB met last Wednesday and heard 5 requests for funding. We also looked at legislation that we are writing, and we discussed a realignment request.”

Tuition Allocation and Fee Review Committee reported that it is the second week of hearings are done. Last week they heard from the School of Energy Resources, Athletics, Haub School, and that no one has requested a fee increase. There is a follow up with Student Media about their fee. There may be a survey on student fees possibly. The fees will be uploaded to the SharePoint.

Ad-Hoc Restructuring did not meet last week, but they gave a recommendation on SB 2828 via email since it is considered a special committee.

Ad-Hoc Student Parking had no report.

College Council Reports

Representative of the College of Education Destefano gave a report stating that she met with the director of the College of Education where they discussed some changes and benefits coming to the college such as a new fund available to those attending residency programs. They also discussed how no programs will be cut from the College and potentially starting.

OLD BUISNESS

SB #2828: Reformation of the Vacancy Process for ASUW Senators

The bill was read for the second time.

Ad-Hoc Restructuring recommended a do pass.

Outreach, Programming, and Elections recommended a do pass with amendments.

Steering recommended a do pass with amendments.

Senator Etchepare moved to pass the bill.

Senator Swilling seconded.

Senator Swilling moved to adopt the amendments he sent out prior to the meeting.

Senator Engel-Cartie seconded.

Senator Engel-Cartie moved the previous question.

Senator Bouma seconded.

The motion passed unanimously via a voice vote.

The amendments passed unanimously via a voice vote.

Senator Clark moved to adopt the amendments proposed by Steering

Senator Etchepare seconded.

Senator Bouma moved the previous question.

Senator Engel-Cartie seconded.

The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

The amendment failed unanimously via a voice vote.

Senator Grimes moved to amend Line 13 by adding “by the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming (ASUW) Student Government” in between “enacted” and “that”.

Senator Castronovo seconded.

The amendment passed unanimously via a voice vote.

Senator Hacke moved to amend the bill by adding “the run-off list shall be utilized for filling all Senate vacancies during the Summer” under Section 4.02, Section 1, Subsection A.

Senator Clapper seconded.

Senator Anderson moved the Previous Question.

Senator McLean seconded.

The motion passed via a roll call vote of 9-9.

Senator Schliebe moved to postpone the bill to next regularly scheduled meeting in two weeks.

Senator Grimes seconded.

Senator Schliebe withdrew his motion.

Senator Etchepare moved to postpone the bill the next regularly scheduled Senate meeting.

Senator Sapien seconded.

Senator Bouma moved the previous question

Senator Castronovo seconded.

The legislation was postponed until the next regularly scheduled Senate meeting.

Senator McLean moved to recess for 5mins (9:02pm).

Seconded by Senator Willis .

The motion to recess was passed via voice vote.

SB #2829: Codifying ASUW Policy on Pronouns and Use of Gender-Neutral Language

The bill was read for the second time.

Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy recommends a do pass.

Steering recommended a do pass.

Senator Clark moved to pass.

Senator Anderson seconded.

Senator Bouma moved the previous question.

Senator McLean seconded.

The motion was passed unanimously via a voice vote.

Senator Hacke moved to pass the Steering amendments.

Senator Anderson seconded.

Senator Bouma moved the previous question.

Senator Petri seconded.

The motion was passed unanimously via a voice vote.

The amendments brought by Steering failed unanimously via a voice vote.

The legislation passed unanimously via a roll call vote of 18-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS

SB #2830 ASUW's Explicit Language Inclusion of Military-Connected Students and Non-Traditional Students Statement.

The bill was read for the second time.

The legislation was steered to Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy; Program and Institutional Development; Outreach, Programming, and Elections; and Steering.

SR# 2831 ASUW's Support for Explicit Language Inclusion of Military-Connected Students and Non-Traditional Students.

The bill was read for the second time.

The legislation was steered to Advocacy, Diversity and Policy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Clark announced that there will be a tabling from 12-2 on Friday for handing out food.

Senator McLean announced that Green Dot is advocating for domestic violence awareness month through Purple Thursday.

Senator Grimm announced that she has tickets for the Delta Delta Delta pancake breakfast fundraiser for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

Director Pappas announced that Cash Bash will have a Bingo finale on Friday.

After processing, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Senate will be on October 18th 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Union Senate Chambers Room 221.

Saber Smith
Chief of Legislative Affairs 110th Administration
Notes taken by Senator Castronovo

