

ASUW SENATE MEETING MINUTES

The October 21, 2025, senate meeting was called to order by Vice President McGuire at 7:01 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 Kincaid and Lindsay were absent. IFC, Staff Senate, PCP, Ag Ambassadors, FYS were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approved

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved

OPEN FORUM

No one wished to speak in open forum.

SOFB REQUEST

The SOFB Request was approved in full.

COMMUNICATIONS

President Medina: Hello everyone sorry I couldn't make it. I am busy planning for another conference. This one has a lighter schedule though. So, please teams me and schedule meetings as normal. My calendar will have my updated conference availability.

A couple of updates for everyone:

1. On LASSO: In collaboration with campus stakeholders, our Directors of Public Affairs and Advocacy, and Chief of Staff Hargett, WYSAC will be distributing a survey October 27th on internships. This survey will help us fill necessary informational gaps for LASSO. I strongly encourage everyone to fill this out once the survey is distributed, and encourage your friends and students to fill it out. Later in the week, I will distribute a short blurb about LASSO that you can all share with students to encourage them to fill out the survey.
2. On the Parking Ticket Relief Program: I've been working with UW Parking Services, SafeRide, SLCE, and Director Heard on a draft of the policy that will govern then Parking Ticket Relief Program. Prior to submitting the official legislation and if your comments align with guidance from SLS and GC, I will give all of you 48 hours to review the policy. Please keep an eye out for this as we want to make sure that this policy

is easy for students to understand and encompassing of any issues that might arise for us as we manage this program.

3. On Giving Day: I've been working on sending out personalized emails to all our past giving day donors. A lot of you are on there. You will not be receiving an email mostly because our wish is to get as many outside stakeholders as possible. BUT what I *would* like everyone to do is become an **advocate**. The more people that become advocates, the more the word spreads, the more money we get, the more students we can help. Our job is to jus that. Please become an advocate. Let's have the best Giving Day campaign!

VP: Circulated FYS mentor form in the comms chat, please fill out ASAP. FYS committees were assigned, will be circulated to committee chairs. DIA Shuttle Committee having time issues, currently set at 1 on Fridays. Please let VP McGuire know if that time works for anyone so the committee can be at full capacity. Director of Programs and Events hiring is going smoothly.

COS Hargett: Hi everyone! A few things from me, then we'll get to the directors:

- First, just a reminder to RSVP for the Governor's Dinner by the end of October. If you don't, you can't come.
- Second, I am going to start sending out a monthly ASUW newsletter, so if you want events that you are planning to be included in this or have other fun updates, please teams me that information!
- Third, we have had some good progress on Director of Programs and events hiring, so expect someone to come before you for confirmation soon!
- Last, I am working with Melanie Vigil about doing a UMC exhibition in one of the trophy cases in the ASUW office, to commemorate the space and the value and meaning that it previously held for so many people. If you have ideas or are interested in being involved in this, reach out to me!

Hathaway ad-hoc

- The Hathaway ad hoc is going awesomely. We recently reviewed a draft resolution in support of Hathaway expansion, made by Dylan, and tomorrow we will be presenting it and getting feedback from elected officials.

Scholarships ad-hoc

- No big updates on this committee. We are waiting to hear back about our updates to the scholarship questions. When we get these back, we will discuss our scoring and committee composition.

Director of Marketing (Peyton)

Peyton has been collaborating with the university for giving day, marketing the town hall next Wednesday, and preparing for the variety of other events that are coming soon. If you attend one of the events that ASUW funds and happen to take pictures, please them to her!

Director of Student Organizations (Ashlyn)

- Hi everyone! SOFB is continuing to roll through funding requests and has allocated:
- Almost \$63,000 for Student Org Events
- Almost \$15,000 for Conference and Competition Registration
- \$600 for New Student Org Marketing
- Secondly, the Student Organization Networking Event is tomorrow, October 22nd at 12:15pm in the Union Family Room. Please encourage any student organizations you have connections with or are a part of to attend. It will be super informal and a great way to show face for ASUW!

Director of Finance (Casey) YIELD TO CASEY

Over the past few weeks, I have been reviewing P-Card checkouts and reconciling organizations spending to ensure all transactions remain compliant with ASUW financial policies. I'm happy to report that the process is running smoothly, and most student organizations are submitting documentation in a timely manner.

Once P-Card reconciliations are finalized and Power BI is fully set up, I will begin providing regular budget updates to the Senate. This will give everyone a clear, visual overview of allocations, expenditures, and remaining balances across departments and student organizations. My goal is to make ASUW's financial data more accessible, transparent, and easy to understand for both senators and students.

If any senators have questions about funding procedures, budget status, or P-Card usage, please feel free to reach out or stop by during office hours. I appreciate your continued collaboration and support in maintaining ASUW's fiscal accountability.

November 7th 12-1 in the family room is our first financial Friday! I look forward to having you all there. We will be discussing taxes, investing, and financial preparation for the semester. Free pizza for all who come!

Director of Wellness (Molly)

Molly has been working on lots of different wellness events and has many upcoming projects.

- On Oct. 28 she will be tabling with Christin Covello in the union to hand out tobacco cessation training.
- Movember is coming up soon and SWAC has lots of events planned.
 - Competitive Activity
 - Dodgeball
 - Flag Football

- Goat Yoga
- Pokes Pub wing/food, football watch party, pool tournament
- Financial Friday (Take with DoF)
- Student Org competition with (DoSO)
- Resources Scavenger Hunt
- 5k, run? (Weather permitting)
- Movie night
- Mental Health Circles
- Puppy Playdates
- SWAC is working on a winter safety guidebook
- There is a collaboration coming soon with SWAC and athletics
- Last week of January is human trafficking awareness week. Events are coming soon.

Thank you everyone. If anyone wants to help with wellness events or has any ideas, please email Molly.

Director of External Public Affairs and Advocacy (Dylan)

As mentioned, the Hathaway expansion resolution is in the works. We will convene the ad-hoc committee tomorrow morning to get feedback and further refine the resolution.

The other major project Dylan is pursuing is the LASSO program. He has scheduled meetings with career services in different colleges and external business partners. There will also be a broader meeting of career services across the colleges soon, so he is looking forward to attending that.

COLA Heffley: Out of office tomorrow (10/22)

CPC: Filled vacancies, by-law revisions, elections for new council happening Nov 19.

FYS: 20 FYS Senators, props to Senator Kaiser for helping. Creating transition plan for new director. Delegates starting in 2 weeks with rotating head table.

IFC: Spring budget passed, by-law revisions. Elections for new council Nov 19.

ISA: Thanks for passing Etiquette Dinner, themed around South Asia.

Staff Senate: Ongoing president nominations ending this week, voting Nov 4. Giving Day campaign's up, planning for December holiday market. Faculty/Staff Senate had meetings with UW leadership, getting feedback on that.

Ag Ambassadors: Ag Day BBQ went well, tailgate for Border War game.

Steering: Looking for expansions to steering's authority to manage legislation

BNP: Special Projects is underway with 18 separate applications and \$325,989.30 requested in funding. This week we are auditing our applications to make sure that they align with the

Universities procurement policy. The following two weeks will be reserved for application hearings, and the week after will be for appeals and writing the actual legislation. The bill should be submitted by November 13th.

HOPE: HOPE is going well; we are looking ahead at the rest of the year and are currently in the beginning phases of planning a chili – cookoff that will occur in the distant future.

PID: PID is finalizing our review of the ASUW Strategic Plan. If you have any final inputs or suggestions, I encourage you to please reach out before Thursday as we plan to submit that this week.

SWAC: Hello everyone. SWAC has been very busy. Firstly, our Fall Wellness Tabling event last week was a success. We gave out a plethora of free food, gave out important information regarding wellness resources on campus, and also got a lot of people involved on Instagram. Secondly, Movember is coming up. Movember is ASUW's men's mental health initiative, used to raise awareness about men's mental health and mental health in general. On November 1st, we are kicking things off with a football watch party at pokes pub. It will be great time. Additionally, we will have puppy playdates, Financial Friday, goat playdates, a movie night, mental health discussions, dodgeball tournament, and also a running event. More to come on these events. Thirdly, our winter safety guidebook is going well. I want to give a special shoutout to our Marketing Intern Nelson for her great work on this, as well as our Director of Wellness Walters. As for our other projects, more to come on those. Thank you!

SOFB: The Director of Student Orgs gave the numbers for our approved funding requests. The SOFB will be writing a piece of legislation to increase the individual cap on funding requests for the next fiscal year. Next week, we will have a meeting on Halloween that will not have any funding requests. During this time, we will onboard the new FYS members, have Halloween-themed icebreakers, and write the bill.

TASFRC: TASFRC is doing great work. We are in our last two weeks of fee hearings. We have a lot of hearings in the next two week. So far they have gone very well. Expect legislation at the second meeting in November.

Scholarships:

Hathaway:

OLD BUSINESS

Senator Swingley moved to reconsider SR 3062, seconded by Kaiser.

The motion passed.

Senator Morales moved to table SR 3062 indefinitely, seconded by Senator Shosh.

By a vote of 14-4-0, SR 3062 was tabled indefinitely.

NEW BUSINESS

SR 3063 A Resolution to Amend the Weekend Hours of Half Acre Gymnasium was read for the first time. This resolution was steered to SWAC and TASRC.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Robinson: There are quite a few performances this week so I'll try to get through them quickly. The first is tomorrow, Wednesday, October 22 at 7:30pm at the BCPA Concert Hall where UW Choirs will be presenting Western Bass, a culmination of the UW tenor bass choirs and over 140 high school and middle schoolers. I will be singing at this performance! This is a free event. Next is Thursday, October 23 at 7:30pm in the BCPA Recital Hall where Pianist Kara Huber is performing a free recital. Next is Friday, October 24 at 7:30pm where UW Jazz is presenting Andy Wheelock Quartet featuring Ernie Watts. This is a ticketed event. Tickets can be purchased online or at the BCPA box office. Next is Monday, October 27 at 7:00pm at BCPA Recital Hall where UW Music is presenting a Brass area chamber recital. This is a free event. Finally, next Tuesday, October 28 at 7:00pm in the BCPA Recital Hall music student Kennedy Corr is performing their junior voice recital. This is also a free event.

On a non-music related note, please bring in and try some banana bread in the office! It's ok to vote for multiple breads, just not multiple times for the same one. We will be announcing the winners on Friday!

Senator Smith: Alt Club pumping carving wed @ 5

VP McGuire: DOS is against SR 3062 for logistical reasons, many extenuating circumstances that would make the process very difficult. VP McGuire supports the intent of the bill and wants to continue supporting means to increase student voting.

After processing, the meeting adjourned at 7:44. The next regular meeting of the Senate will be on October 28, 2025, at 7:00p.m. in the Senate Chambers.

Ray Heffley

Chief of Legislative Affairs 113th Administration