# **ASUW SENATE MEETING MINUTES**

The September 27th, 2022, senate meeting was called to order by Vice President Carrier at 7:03 p.m. The land acknowledgement statement and mission statement were read, and the Pledge of Allegiance was done at the individual members' discretion.

# CONFIRMATION OF LANGSTON BOUMA AS AN ASUW SENATOR

Senator Petri moved to confirm the candidate.

Senator Sapien seconded.

Senator Swilling moved to call for a five-minute recess to consult Robert's Rules of Orders regarding rules for voting.

Senator Willis seconded.

Langston Bouma was confirmed as an ASUW Senator via a standing vote of 10-3-3.

## ROLL CALL

Senators Anderson, Almejo-Ponce, Engel-Cartie, and Meiklejohn were absent.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved without objection.

# APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Brown moved to add "Confirmation of an Associate Justice Candidate Joshua Rogers" between Open Forum and Special Event.

Senator Swilling seconded.

The motion to amend was approved without objection.

The agenda was approved, as amended, without objection.

# **OPEN FORUM**

There was no one in the gallery wishing to address the Senate.

# CONFIRMATION OF AN ASSOCIATE JUSTICE CANDIDATE JOSHUA ROGERS

Senator Swilling moved to approve the candidate.

Senator Hacke seconded.

# **SPECIAL EVENT**

Vice-President Carrier ran an interactive workshop for ASUW members regarding parliamentary procedure.

# **COMMUNICATIONS**

#### **Executive Reports**

President Brown thanked the ASUW Senate for confirming the Judicial Council Candidate Joshua Rodgers. She has continued work with the Carnegie Engagement Taskforce to bolster UW's accolades on the national scale. Pizza with the Presidents was a successful event, and all of the pizza was given to students. President Brown thanked all those involved with tabling and outreach this past week. She had a meeting with Dean O'Neil, Restorative Justice, UWPD, and LPD last Friday. She had a stakeholder meeting with VP Smith Monday and Faculty Senate separately. She also met with President Seidel earlier today. The Executive Branch works towards three special project requests which are: Student Health Services Pregnancy Tests, Laptops/technology for UW technology services, and University Counseling Center (UCC) and other groups parking passes. For the Vice-President Diversity Equity and Inclusion (VP DEI) candidate there were group meetings and hearings. Chief of Staff Skorcz met with the Director of DEI. There will be an official list of pros and cons by Monday of next week, which will be sent to President Seidel. The reports on the Student Issues Survey will be coming on October 14<sup>th</sup>.

Chief of Staff Skorcz was not present.

Chief of Legislative Affairs Smith reported a piece of legislation he has been working on. Specifically, a bill to codify an ASUW Prize Pool for our programs.

Director of Marketing Pappas: "I've just been advertising a lot of events and projects recently, specifically: Student Org Round Table Marketing, Special Projects Marketing, Pokes Vote Meet and Greet Marketing, Town Hall Marketing, Marketing for the food pantry and other clubs like the chess club, the Indian club, the Arabic club, and United Multicultural Council. I'm Working on Student Right to Know public information and am working on getting the digital ASUW Events Calendar up in the next week. I've been working on marketing to get the word out for the Flag Football Charity Tournament, on Oct. 7th, \$20 pet team, free food, all proceeds go to the charity of the winner's choice. I represented ASUW at the Student Media Board meeting and learned more about what they do and their outlook for this year. I designed a homecoming T-Shirt to hand out at our homecoming events I helped put on the Chancey Williams Concert last Friday, thanks to all who attended. I'm looking forward I will be mostly working on helping promote homecoming week to make it more geared towards students, financial transparency week and all the events we have there, and our upcoming events such as town halls and round tables. As a reminder, please come and talk with me if you have any ideas you'd like to make happen."

Director of Student Outreach Murfitt: "This last week, I worked on continuing to plan the Student Organization RoundTable with Director Acosta-Engavo. We have a meeting with Gilbert from the Student Org office on Thursday to discuss it further and to let him offer ideas to us. We are scheduled to have the First SORT meeting next Wednesday at 4:00pm. Last week,

we also had pizza with the Presidents. I want to thank everyone who helped hand out pizza during that event. President Seidel was excited to interact with students. I also met with Project Coordinator Craft and Accountant Schaef to discuss the structure in which the College Council will be paid. The rest of this week, I will be working to finalize details on the first Town Hall which will be next Friday the 7th in the skylight lounge at 11:00am, as well as writing the October Newsletter which will be sent out to students next Tuesday morning. I am also going to be meeting with a few senators tomorrow to further plan out the Charity Flag Football event. Next week on Monday and Tuesday, ASUW will be tabling for the Town Hall, the charity event and to have one last push on the fall survey. I am going to pass around a signup sheet for senators to sign up to help table. This is great if you need more service hours, or it will count as a paid hour for your week."

Director of Student Organizations Acosta-Engavo was not present.

Director of Finance Hamilton: "This week, I worked on the Cowboy Emergency Fund application form to bring an updated application process for those students seeking emergency funding from the realignment that was passed by this Senate earlier this month. If you are for whatever reason approached by someone in desperate financial need, I would encourage you to refer them to this application form as well as President Brown, the Dean of Students and the Vice President of Student Affairs. Additionally, I have initiated the process of sending out invitations to outside sources to participate in the financial literacy week. Cash Bash will run from October 24-28, and I intend to invite the University Ranch Horse Team with their horse carriage, Student Financial Services, as well as appropriate administration representatives. Invitations for senators to participate will come shortly. Finally, as part of TASFRC, Vice President Carrier and I are beginning to receive reports from departments about their fees and intentions for next year as we prepare to start October TASFRC hearings."

Director of Diversity and Inclusion Lin was not present.

Director of Wellness Malles was not present.

Director of Sustainability Macey

Vice President Carrier: "I sent out a Teams message this morning asking for any specific committees that you are currently serving on including standing, special, and university committees. You are required to serve on two standing committees and two special committees to fully fulfill your duties, so I wanted to make sure everyone was on track to do so. If you are serving on 3 standing however, that does count as one of your special committee requirements. I had a meeting with Accountant Schaef on Friday to develop an excel sheet for you all to be able to submit your service hours on. Hopefully, we will have this ready to go by Monday or Tuesday at the latest. A lot of my time in the coming weeks is going to be spent holding fee hearings. I am also attending the food security taskforce meeting this Wednesday alongside Director Malles. This is something that falls under the Steering Committee, but I am also the one who wrote the realignment so I can report on it right now. Yesterday, I submitted a realignment to the budget and planning committee requesting that 5,654 be realigned to go into the extra senator hour bank. I asked for 1,500 to be realigned from the legislative branch contingency and 4,154 to be

realigned out of the reserves. Budget and planning will be reviewing this on Thursday. If this does get approved, we will have a bank of extra hours for committee work only. So, if your committee requires you to work extra hours and you are going to go over your 9 or 11 hours, we have set money aside so that you can do that. I will explain more if it is approved Feel free to work with and reach out to executives! You are more than welcome to work with them, and they have a lot of connections and are a great resource. If you do reach out, try to CC Chief of Staff Skorcz so that she is in the loop of projects and possible projects. Something else I have been working on for a couple of months is that I have been working closely with Aaron Courtney to discuss the new grad-guard tuition insurance now being offered at the University. It is basically just insurance for your tuition. So, if something terrible happens during your semester and you need to withdraw, if you have grad-guard, you will be able to get a refund on your tuition and even get some of your scholarship money back. A few months ago, when we first met about it, I shared on if I thought students would like it or not and then when we met again, I helped develop some marketing. We are going to be meeting again this Friday to follow up how that is going so far and how many students have opted into the program. My Senator of the week is Senator Castronovo. He has been doing a lot of extra work with the flag football charity event. Also know he has been helping Chief of Legislative Affairs Smith a lot with the minutes and taking notes during meetings."

Assistant Director Hansen wanted to let everyone know that His calendar is up to date and would love to have coffee or lunch with senators. He spoke about the student circle that took place last week for internal members of ASUW.

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Accountant Schaef: "This week, my Moment of Inspiration is Senator Stadler. From Director of Finance to TASFRC to Budget & Planning, thank you for being as big of a geek about finance things as I am. You are so unique and fun and funny and have the BEST laugh. I am so inspired by the passion and enthusiasm you have for everything that you do. For a Broncos fan, you're not too bad:) Thank you for being you!"

Project Coordinator Craft reported that The first FYS meeting was held earlier today. They are incredibly eager and willing to work on projects. Him and Advisor Ewalt plan to give them committees. He encouraged everyone to meet with them.

#### **Ex- Officio Communications**

College Panhellenic Council (CPH) reported that anti-hazing tabling received 136 signatures on the Cowboys Don't Haze petition in favor of creating an anti-hazing legislation. Alpha Phi is having their Red Dress Gala where proceeds go to charity.

First-Year Senate (FYS) was not present.

Interfraternity Council (IFC) had no report.

International Students Association (ISA) had no report.

Non-Traditional Student Council is continuing to finalize the event for October. They have been in contact with Project Coordinator Craft to assist with programming for the event.

Residence Halls Association was not present.

Faculty Senate was not present.

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The Sustainability Coalition's report was given by Project Coordinator Craft. The explained that voting in local politics is just as important as federal. The coalition plans to spread awareness for a vote. They will be having an event with solar powered equipment to increase sustainability, which will include student led bands.

Staff Senate was not present.

Student Athlete Advisory Committee is partnering with Green Dot on Oct 7th for sexual assault training.

United Multicultural Council reported that they are working on reestablishing international coffee hour on Oct 2nd. They are looking to hire for an open position in their leadership. Working on writing the UMC Constitution.

Wyoming Honors Organization was not present.

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#### **Committee Reports**

Steering met on Friday from 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. steered legislation, held conversation on what constitutued a memo, and continued talks on other pertinent issues.

Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy (AD&P) met on Friday at 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. and talked about special projects and that this Friday Aaron Courtney will be speaking at the meeting.

Budget and Planning (B&P): "We met last week and had a budget realignment for \$1,500 for live music at Solar Fest realignment from sustainability coalition rejected on basis that funding for strategic partners can only come from SOFB. The committee directed them to SOFB. There was a realignment for \$350 from the ASUW Reserves for posters as well as drinks and chips and dip for student org leaders at a roundtable event. This was rejected on the basis that reserves are getting very low and outreach should be conducted in coordination with the OPE committee. There was a realignment for \$400 from ASUW reserves for food and posters for a town hall event to be held on October 7th in the Skylight Lounge. Additionally, a realignment for fund a match for non-citizen scholarship giving day campaign. Up for discussion later tonight. We reviewed endowments and enrollment numbers (both are bad) and are trying to analyze as much as we can impact on FY24 budget. We decided to sponsor legislation on stipend policy, but [I] submitted it an hour past the legislation deadline even though it was finished when B&P saw it at 8am. Thus, it will have first reading next week instead. We reviewed marketing plan for special projects. Announcements were sent out to all students and employees earlier today

Discussed how to improve communications. They reviewed realignments that are submitted so far, we have one from VP Carrier to create a bank of hours for committees to use for official committee duties. I believe we will have one or two more. We worked on legislation regarding pay and consolidating regulations into one policy as opposed to being spread out across by-laws and finance policies. We met with Office Associate Lobato and discussed making B&P website more up to date – adding archive of realignments, updating forms to make them more accessible, and generally modernizing the page.

Outreach, Programming, and Elections (OPE): "We met at our regular meeting time in the conference room. We began with an update of the Charity Flag Football event. Registration is live for this and teams have begun signing up. We will be helping at Union After Dark this Friday. We would love to have some of you all help at this, as it goes from 7:45 pm - 11:30 pm. If you are willing to help, please let me, Director Pappas, Sen. Castronovo or VP Carrier know. We also discussed Homecoming. If you want to be involved with planning, please let me know ASAP or come to the committee meetings. We talked with the Alumni Association regarding Homecoming with Jack Tennent and Tanner O'Neil. We discussed what the events they are doing for Homecoming week and our events. This included discussion of collaboration in the future as well. With our homecoming work, we approved a t-shirt design from the wonderful Director Pappas, finalized our ideas for the BBQ/Food event being walking tacos and Horseshoe Hunt is beginning to formalize its locations and riddles. For elections, we have also spoke with 7220 Entertainment about working and promoting Elections during the a Union After Dark in March."

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Program and Institutional Development (PID) Met Friday and they approved Non-Traditional Student Council and UMC Leadership. They talked about streamlining communications with Partners and Programs to make the restructuring process easier.

Student Organization Funding Board (SOFB): "SOFB met last week and approved three requests. We also tabled in the Union on Thursday to market our funds and encourage more SOs to apply. Reminded to all of those on the committee, our meeting will be in the ASUW Conference room"

Tuition Allocation and Fee Review Committee: "The fee memo officially was sent out last week. Hearings will begin on Monday. There are eleven units scheduled, which is not all of the units. There are pre-hearing forms being submitted. They discussed expectations for fee hearings. They viewed the section for the committee on the website. They would like to put the fee hearings on the ASUW website. Any senator is welcome to attend the fee hearings with scheduling."

Ad-Hoc Restructuring met last Friday and solidified a piece of legislation to reform PID and AD&P, which has been submitted to Steering. The Committee works to make a bill that will disallow Steering to steer legislation to themselves.

Ad-Hoc Student Parking reported that they met last week on Wednesday where they discussed opening more forms of parking such as the tail-gate lot, redoing the bus routes and fraternity/sorority row parking. They assigned members to tackle different aspects of parking issues.

#### **College Council Reports**

College of Business Representative Colter Anderson reported that The college of Business is quite busy this semester. The college welcomed the new Dean as they were hired over the summer. Over 80 different businesses participated in their most recent job fair.

## **OLD BUISNESS**

No Old Business this week.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

### Confirmation of the Student Media Advisory Board Member

Senator Castronovo moved to confirm Director Pappas
Senator Sapien seconded the motion.
The candidate was confirmed by unanimous standing vote of 15-0-2

#### Non-Citizen Student Scholarship Giving Day Match Realignment

Budget and Planning recommends Do Pass.

Senator Engelby moved to pass the realignment.

Seconded by Senator Swilling

Senator Hacke Moved for unanimous consent

Senator Schliebe seconded.

The motion was passed via unanimous consent.

#### **Student-at-Large of the Month**

Senator Engelby nominated Kammi Grimm.

Director Pappas nominated Maeve Knapper.

Senator Hacke nominated Tanner Ewalt.

Student-at-Large Kammi Grimm was selected for Student-at-Large of the month.

#### **Senator of the Month**

Senator Stadler nominated Senator Swilling.

Senator Swilling accepted the nomination.

Senator McLean nominated Senator Willis.

Senator Willis accepted the nomination.

President Brown nominated Senator Engelby.

Senator Engelby accepted the nomination.

Director Pappas nominated Senator Castronovo.

Senator Castronovo accepted the nomination.

Director Macy nominated Senator Clark

Senator Clark accepted the nomination. Senator Engelby was selected for Senator of the Month.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Senator Castronovo announced the Charity Flag Football game on Oct. 7th, from 5-8pm at War Memorial. Teams are comprised of 5-7 members and teams can register at the Union info desk or in the ASUW office. He asked senators to share this info with their friends, clubs, and fraternities and sororities.

Senator Engelby Kappa Kappa Gamma will be a Mental Health Awareness philanthropy specifically, about suicide prevention. UMC will be holding an international student coffee hour Senator Stadler announced that there will be a STEM fair tomorrow.

Senator McLean announced Sex Bingo tomorrow in Poke's Pub where they will be playing informational games. 1,000 plus staff, students, and faculty have been trained by Green Dot. The performance of Sissy in Wyoming will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Friday in the Thrust Theatre.

President Brown announced that herself and Chief of Staff Skorcz have a reception prior to the event at the Buchanan.

After processing, the meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Senate will be on October 4<sup>th</sup> 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Union Senate Chambers Room 221.

Saber Smith Chief of Legislative Affairs 110<sup>th</sup> Administration Notes taken by Senator Castronovo