**ASUW FIRST-YEAR SENATE MINUTES**

The February 12th, 2019 meeting was called to order by Presiding Officer Vetter at 5:01 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, the mission statement was read, and roll was taken. First-Year Senators Hoppa and Ramsay were absent.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes were approved as circulated.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as circulated.

**OPEN FORUM**

No one present in the gallery.

**SPECIAL EVENT**

No Special Event.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Advisor Wheeler had no report.

Advisor Ward discussed the textbook scholarship committee. There is a $250 scholarship available for students that opens next week. The committee will need help tabling on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday. She also encouraged Senators to attend the Good Mule Activism Panel on Tuesday, February 19th from 5:30-7.

**Officers**

Presiding Officer Vetter said that his offices hours are on Thursdays from 2-3pm. He also encouraged senators to ask questions pertaining to election season and to be prepared.

Parliamentarian Romero had no report.

Secretary Walls encouraged Senators to attend the meeting pertaining to the planning of the Sustainability fair after the Senate meeting. She also passed around a sign-up sheet for Senators to sign up for a shift at the fair. If anyone has questions about the fair, email her.

Treasurer Doran had no report.

Steering Committee Liaison McNicholl discussed the recycling competition in the residence halls until Monday, February 18th. He also encouraged Senators to attend the housing party in Washakie Basement from 5-7pm on Tuesday, February 12th.

**Ex Officio Communications**

President Mulhall discussed the emergency trip to the State Legislator to lobby the housing bill and said that more lobbying will happen in the future. She discussed Strategic Partners and ASUW’s hopes for collaboration. She said Student Success Priorities does not begin until Fall of 2020, but she still plans on doing internal work through ASUW, and they are still meeting. The University wanted to consolidate UW logos to make it more consistent, but ASUW will be keeping its original logo. She discussed a survey that will be going out about J-terms/winter break. She asked Senators to take the survey and to promote it. She will be heading to Houston for a foundation conference. She also discussed that a link will be going out to nominate staff for awards, and that Staff Recognition day is in April, so expect more news to come.

Vice President Wilkins was not in attendance.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Steering discussed legislation.

Procedures discussed legislation.

Programming and Traditions brainstormed ideas for more outreach to future first-year students through representation at Orientation and clarifying what First-Year Senate entails. They also discussed the Sustainability Fair and getting supplies for the game that will be featured there. They discussed the idea of a week-long series of events around Spring Break called “Spring Fever”, which will be somewhere around April 1-5. They brainstormed ideas on how to improve the First-Year Senate website and how to make its navigation easier. They finally discussed how to make First-Year Senate better as a whole.

Diversity & Student Outreach had no report.

**ASUW COMMITTEES**

Steering discussed legislation.

Advocacy, Diversity & Policy discussed legislation.

Budget & Planning discussed appeals and the budget.

Programs & Institutional Development began looking into survey questions.

RSO Funding Board had five requests. American Pharmacist Association was granted $500.00 for a conference in Seattle. Phi Lambda Sigma was granted $499.95 for a conference in Seattle. Doctors without Borders was denied a request of $75.00. Restoration, Outreach, and Research made a request for $1,060.00 for “Comparative Ecology of Plants in Arid Systems” and was granted $727.00. Central Asian Students Association requested $10,019.00 for “Central Asian Awareness Day” and was granted $8,869.00.

Student Outreach and Programming discussed potential legislation concerning the campus carry survey results.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Senate Bill #2646: ASUW Elections policy Reformat and Revision.

Procedures gave a do-pass recommendation.

Senator Greig moved to approve SB #2646.

Senators Rubano seconded.

Senator Walls moved to suspend the Abernathy Clause.

Senator McNicholl seconded.

Motion passed 17-0-0.

Motion passed 18-0-0.

Senate Bill #2647: Revision and Continuation of the ASUW Senatorial Scholarship Program.

Procedures gave a do-pass recommendation.

Senator Rubano moved to approve SB #2647.

Senator Greig seconded.

Motion passed 18-0-0.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Senate Bill #2648: ASUW Budget for Fiscal Year 2020.

First Reading.

Steered to Procedures.

First-Year Senate Resolution #54: Articles of Impeachment – Kolbe Hoppa.

First Reading.

Steered to Steering.

Motion passed 18-0-0 to bring charges of impeachment.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Director Hougton discussed the details of the hearing for the Housing Bill taking place of February 20th. He met with the new mayor and discussed a landlord and tenant resolution. He encouraged senators to talk to him if they had any issues they would like a legislator to sign on to. He thanked Senators Vetter, Diaz, and Horton for joining a committee he’s working with. He also discussed plans for the Annual Dinner. He will keep everyone posted.

Senator Vetter asked Senators to read the budget in-depth and to bring up any issues.

Senator Walls reminded Senators to come to the meeting pertaining to the Sustainability Fair after the Senate Meeting.

After processing the meeting adjourned at ­­­­5:36 PM. The next regular meeting will be February 19th, 2019 at 5:00 PM in the Union Senate Chambers room 221.

Carolanne Walls

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