
ASUW FRESHMAN SENATE MINUTES

The February 13, 2018 meeting was called to order by Presiding Officer Sanders at 5:00PM. All Freshman Senators were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved as circulated.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as circulated.

OPEN FORUM

Tyler Wolfgang addressed the Freshman Senate, sharing that he is excited about the bill proposing the name change. He noted that if the bill passes in Freshman Senate, it will also have to be approved in Full Senate. He also shared that there will be legislators from the state coming to tonight's Full Senate meeting.

SPECIAL EVENT

Keener Fry, the Executive Director of the Alumni Association, visited to talk about the Alumni Association and some of the projects they are working on. The University of Wyoming has a goal of keeping their alumni involved and engaged, through participation on committees, promotion of the university to prospective students, donations, and sponsorship of scholarships for current students. The Alumni Association serves as a source of information for UW alumni, there to answer questions and serve the alumni however possible. They reach out to about 20,000 alumni each year with several events and especially during the week of Homecoming. The number of events and alumni reached is only increasing. A current project that the Alumni Association is working on is their career program, which will connect current students with alumni to answer questions about certain career paths, goals, and options. They are also working to use alumni as a tool to promote the university to prospective students, having thousands of alumni write personal letters to admitted students.

COMMUNICATIONS

Advisor McKenna provided her report during Announcements.

Officers

Presiding Officer Sanders announced that funding for the LDSSA and PSA events at Full Senate last week, as well as failing Senate Bill #2591, passing Senate Bill #2592, tabling Senate Bill

#2593, and failing Senate Bill #2594. She reminded the Freshman Senate that based on the current constitution there is a service hour due at the end of February.

Parliamentarian Mooren had no report.

Secretary Ward reminded shared that she tabled at the McIntyre activities event last week and attended a diversity and inclusion workshop sponsored by the university.

Treasurer Dalman had no report.

Steering Committee Liaison Schieffer had no report.

Ex Officio Communications

President Wetzel reported that he is working to finalize the elections code. He attended the demonstration for Rave Guardian last week as well as the No More meeting last Friday, where they discussed a week of programming coming up in March to promote awareness of sexual assault prevention. He attended the diversity workshop last night and will be having a conference call with the Trustees next week.

Vice President Welsh had no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Steering steered this week's legislation and discussed attendance.

Procedures reviewed legislation.

Programming and Traditions wrote their plan for an outdoor ice rink proposal.

Student Outreach and Policies reviewed legislation.

ASUW COMMITTEES

Steering steered and reviewed legislation.

Academics, Diversity & Policy discussed legislation and their goals for the semester.

Student Outreach and Programming provided their report during Announcements.

RSO Funding Board approved funding for the Student Nurses Association and discussed Senate Bill #2593.

Budget & Planning heard appeals on the proposed budget.

Programs & Institutional Development had no report.

OLD BUSINESS

Freshman Senate Bill #51, Revisions to Senator Obligations, had its second reading.

Procedures made a do not pass recommendation.

Moved by Freshman Senator Ward.

Freshman Senator Gonzales moved to amend Section E to require one hour per service period.

The amendment failed by a voice vote.

Freshman Senator Dalman moved to amend the bill to eliminate service periods and require 3 service hours per semester.

Freshman Senator Wilkins moved to amend the amendment so that Freshman Senators filling vacancies will fulfill service hours as determined by Steering.

The amendment passed by a voice vote.

Freshman Senator Schieffer moved the Previous Question.

The previous question passed by a voice vote.

The amendment passed by a voice vote.

Freshman Senator Gruntmier moved to table the bill.

The motion to table was approved by a voice vote.

Senate Bill #2595, Implementation of Mobile Device Application Based Safety Technology, had its second reading.

Student Outreach and Policy made a do pass recommendation.

Moved by Freshman Senator Houghton.

Freshman Senator Ward moved to amend the bill by reducing the amount for the technology and to have part of the price come from unspent salaries and part from the ASUW Reserve.

The amendment was passed by a voice vote.

The bill passed 19-0-0.

Senate Bill #2596, Approval of Funding for SLCE Office Renovation, had its second reading.

Student Outreach and Policy made a do pass recommendation.

Moved by Freshman Senator Dalman.

Freshman Senator Brooks moved to amend the bill so that half of the funding will come from unspent salaries and the other half from the ASUW Reserve.

The amendment passed by a voice vote.

The bill passed 19-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Freshman Senate Bill #52, Revisions to Committees, had its first reading and was steered to Procedures.

Freshman Senate Bill #53, Changing the Name from Freshman Senate to First-Year Senate, had its first reading and was steered to Procedures.

Senate Resolution #2597, Proposed Mandatory Student Fee Increases for FY19, had its first reading and was steered to Student Outreach and Policy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Advisor McKenna asked for ideas for posts for the Facebook and Instagram pages.

Freshman Senator Wilkins shared that Student Outreach and Programming proposed the idea of having multiple polling stations for ASUW elections, decided that their budget will be used to pay for the cost of elections, and that the Meet the Candidates event will be occurring April 17th.

President Wetzell encouraged the Freshman Senate to not be afraid of changing legislation on the floor.

Freshman Senator Scalise passed out sign-up sheets for tabling about student fees and elections.

After processing the meeting adjourned at 6:19 PM. The next regular meeting will be February 20, 2018 at 5:00PM in the Senate Chambers Union Room 221.

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