

**ASWWU Activities Council Meeting**  
**April 14<sup>th</sup> 2008**  
**5:15 pm. VU 567**

**Present:** Aaron Garcia, Jeff Talbot, Dominique Sagiao, Erin Miller, Melissa Deery, Chris Borja, Kayle Walls  
**Absent:** Judah Corsini, Zachary Neuhaus  
**Late:** Jacob Lunden, Stephanie Jones  
**Advisors:** Lisa Rosenberg, Cody Rogers  
**Secretary:** Virgilio Cintron  
**Guests:** Lunden Hirari, Andrew Worthington, Brett Matdis, Joe Homes, Makena Henriksen, Evan Hess, Staua Dreyen, Adrianna Torres, Anna Locke, Tino Quioga, Brittany R. Otter

**Summary of Motions:**

- 08-S-005** Approve the activities council minutes from April 7<sup>th</sup> 2008. **(Passed)**  
**08-S-006** Recognize graphic design club as an official AS arts and music club with \$25 basic funding. **(Passed)**  
**08-S-007** Recognize La Table Francaise as an official AS cultural/ethnic club with \$50 basic funding. **(Passed)**  
**08-S-008** Recognize Student-Homeless Outreach team, as an official social issues club with \$25 basic funding. **(Passed)**  
**08-S-009** Approve \$250 grant to Stacia Dreyer out of club conference fund. **(Passed)**  
**08-S-010** Approve \$80 grant to students for disability awareness out of club conference fund. **(Passed)**  
**08-S-011** Suspend the activity council bylaws to allow information item D. to become an action item. **(Passed)**  
**08-S-012** Approve \$190 underwrite to Students for a democratic society out of g/l/u. **(Passed)**  
**08-S-013** Approve \$72 underwrite to La Mesa Espanola out of g/l/u. **(Passed)**  
**08-S-014** Approve \$75 bookstore donation request to the Latino Student Union **(Passed)**  
**08-S-015** Approve \$75 bookstore donation request to WWU swing kids. **(Passed)**  
**08-S-016** Approve \$50 bookstore donation request to Western men against violence. **(Passed)**

The meeting was called to order at 5:16pm

**I. Approval of the Minutes**

Minutes from the April 7<sup>th</sup> 2008 meeting were voted on and approved by the council.

**Motion: 08-S-005 Passed by acclamation**

*Jones and Lunden entered 5:17*

**II. Revisions to Agenda**

Rearrange order of information item from a,b,c,d,e to a,b,d,c,e  
Discuss club recognitions and action items before information items.  
Add Western men against violence to bookstore donation request

**III. Business Director's Report**

Business Report handed out.

**IV. Club Recognition**

**A. Western students supporting community youth,** tabled until next week due to lack of representation.

**B. Graphic Design Club,** They are affiliated with the Seattle student chapter of the American institute of graphic artists. They want to promote design on western's campus and encourage students in the graphic design department and students interested in design to create a community and be able to establish connections with designers from many areas. It is open to everyone and dues to join the chapter organization are optional.

**Motion: 08-S-006 by Lunden**

Second: Walls      Vote:9-0-0      Action: Passed

**C. La Table Francaise**, This club is meant to get together to speak French in order to better everyone's vocabulary and actual use of speaking it. They are hoping to be able to get a place at Rudy's to be able to have their club meetings and conversations. They council suggested that they get \$50 basic funding in order for them to do publicity to get the word out.

**Motion: 08-S-007 by Walls**

Second: Jones      Vote:8-0-1      Action: Passed

**D. Student-Homeless Outreach team**, They are trying to start a program and institute a tradition to help homeless people in the Bellingham community. They will accomplish this by hosting a night where they get students to donate their guest meals for the residence halls and allow them to come and eat a meal. This program was done last quarter with much success. They hope to get more participation from the homeless and state that students were more than willing to donate last quarter. They also hope to work on getting the food that is usually composted to the hands of the homeless.

**Motion: 08-S-008 by Talbot**

Second: Deery      Vote:8-0-1      Action: Passed

**V. Action Items**

**A. Stacia Dreyer**, , She is requesting funds for a conference funding to go to Arkansas to go to a trainer program and be able to give out this training on campus. The training is to provide participants with a comprehensive overview of leave No trace skills and ethics through practical application in a field-based setting. She is requesting a total of \$250 from the council.

**Motion: 08-S-009 by Miller**

Second: Talbot      Vote:8-0-1      Action: Passed

**B. Students for Disability Awareness**, They are hoping to go to a conference which will have a lot of international speakers discussing disability. They also hope to have a discussion about what they learn and to continue to bring out more awareness about disabilities to our campus. Since the last time they were able to find other means to cover other costs and have reduced the amount asked from the council to \$80 for the cost of roundtrip train tickets.

**Motion: 08-S-010 by Garcia**

Second: Lunden      Vote:7-0-2      Action: Passed

**VI. Information Items**

**A. Department of Geography**, Brett Matulis is requesting funds to attend the ISSRM conference which deals with the field of natural resource management. During this conference prominent figures such as Dr. Luis Vivanco will be attending and bring to light the newest ideas in resource management. If funded he hopes to present his experience to the faculty of the geography department to make arrangements for a presentation fall 2008. He is requesting a total of \$937 grant from the council.

*This will return as an action item next week*

**B. Northwest Grappling Association**, They are hoping to be able to go to Wenatchee and compete with their grappling club. This will help their overall goal of eventually trying to turn this into a intercollegiate sport. They will be taking about 12 club members to compete. They are requesting a total of \$145 grant from the council.

*This will return as an action item next week*

**C. Northwest Grappling Association**, They will be attending a submission wrestling tournament that will take place in Seattle May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008. There are about 10 or so members that will be participating in this event. It will give them the chance to measure their skills and progress they have made against others from all over the state. They hope to get the registration of \$45 per person paid for by the council for a total of \$450 grant.

*This will return as an action item next week*

*Jones left the meeting at 6:01pm*

**D. Students for a democratic Society,** They are hoping to bring a few speakers to discuss the Iraq Occupation. This forum is scheduled from April 24<sup>th</sup>, and they hope to bring a lot of discussion about the issues. This request was not submitted in a timely fashion and does not meet the guidelines of the council. There was discussion about suspending the bylaws to allow them to present the item and move them to an action item. Miller showed concern over suspending the bylaws arguing that they were for a reason and that they should be upheld. Walls stated that he was more comfortable with suspending the bylaws in this matter because she was not a seasoned programmer. The council voted whether to suspend the Activity Council bylaws

**Motion: 08-S-011 by Deery**

Second: Lunden      Vote:5-1-2      Action: Passed

The proposal now moved into an action item. They are requesting a total of \$190 underwrite for this program. There was much discussion into the implications of bringing AWOL soldiers to campus as well as the contract difficulties if social security numbers were not able to be provided by the speakers. The council decided that the funding could be provided and that throughout the following weeks these details could be finalized.

**Motion: 08-S-012 by Deery**

Second: Lunden      Vote:7-0-1      Action: Passed

**E. La Mesa Espanola,** They are requesting funds to get posters for their club meetings. They finally have a place to meet, which is at Rudy's Pizza and they would like to get more involvement from the general campus population. They are requesting a total of \$72 which will cover most of the cost for the publicity. Since this request is under \$75 the council in accordance with their bylaws chose to vote on this item.

**Motion: 08-S-013 by Talbot**

Second: Miller      Vote:7-0-1      Action: Passed

## **VII. Bookstore Donation Request**

**A. Latino Student Union,** Requesting funds for silent auction for the Latino Heritage Celebration on April 26, 2008.

**Motion: 08-S-014 by Garcia**

Second: Walls      Vote:8-0-1      Action: Passed

**B. WWU Swing Kids,** requesting funds for conference being held on campus.

**Motion: 08-S-015 by Garcia**

Second: Lunden      Vote:8-0-1      Action: Passed

**C. Western Men against Violence,** Requesting funds for program.

**Motion: 08-S-016 by Garcia**

Second: Miller      Vote:8-0-1      Action: Passed

## **IX. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 6:14 pm