

**ASWWU
Legislative Affairs Council Meeting
Tuesday, January 15th, 2008
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Legislative Affairs Council Members	<i>Present:</i> Adam Day, Joel Graves, Tracy Lamont, Alexander Garcia <i>Late:</i> Gina Tichenor <i>Absent:</i> Devin Malone
AS VP Legislative Affairs	Erik Lowe <i>Present</i>
Legislative Liaison	Sarah Ishmael <i>Absent</i>
WSL Chapter Chair	Kristina Mader <i>Absent</i>
Advisor	Kevin Majkut <i>Late</i>

MOTION 08-W-001	To approve the minutes of December 4 th , 2007.	<i>Passed</i>
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I. CALL TO ORDER

Erik Lowe, AS VP Legislative Affairs called the meeting to order at 4:05pm.

II. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION 08-W-001 by Lowe

To approve the minutes of December 4th, 2007.

Vote: 5-0-0 Action: *Passed*

IV. PUBLIC FORUM

None

V. CHAIR REPORT

Erik Lowe reported that ASWWU would be unable to do the second lobby day that was previously hoped for. However, for the first lobby day, meetings have been scheduled with twelve different legislators, a higher number than usual. He also reported that Sarah Ishmael was now in her second day of session with legislators after going through her training last week. Also, the Federal Legislative Agenda will be going to the Student Senate as an information item tonight and it will then go to the Board of Directors at a later time.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. WEEKLY LEGISLATIVE REPORT

The Higher Education Coordinating Board master plan was released on Wednesday. Ishmael gave the legislative agenda of ASWWU along with those of the Governor and the Secretary of State to all of the legislators. The child care bill had been put forth without the changes we desired regarding a financial match to fundraising. The language of the revised bill was sent to the Washington Student Lobby President who then failed to provide it to the liaisons of the member schools of the WSL, thus preventing any of them from objecting to the changes in advance. The Campus Safety Initiative was put forth. The plans for a ballot box being put on campus have been slightly changed due to a bill that was introduced that would install permanent ballot boxes at all Washington state universities. We will no longer be pressing for the increase of faculty salaries because the faculty themselves are not pressing this issue.

B. LOBBY DAY

Lowe explained that the main focus of Lobby Day should be to push for child care and campus safety.

Majkut enters

We will spend all of Monday in Olympia meeting with legislators in order to discuss our legislative agenda. Those going to lobby day will be broken into different groups to talk to different legislators about the different issues on our legislative agenda. Some of those groups will go to Senate and House Higher Education meetings. The last meeting of the day is scheduled for 4:30pm.

VII. ACTION ITEMS

None

VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE

4:00pm Tuesday, January 22nd, 2008
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IX. ADJOURN

4:42pm