

A.S. STUDENT SENATE MEETING
April 29, 2008
VU 567

Present: Aaron Hayman, Brianne Kumar, Chelsea Fletcher, Danny Tonty, Judah Corsini, Lurdes Hernandez, Matteo Tamburini, Morgan Holmgren, Sally McLaughlin Tyler Woodard
Absent: Kristina Mader, Mark Provencano, Diana Beilman, Nicole Brown,
Advisor: Greg McBride
Secretary: Brooke Hayter
Guest: Annie Jansen

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm by Chelsea Fletcher

Summary of Motions:

Motion #011 -S- 08 to approve the minutes from 4/22/08, made by Morgan

Motion# 012 – S – 08 to approve the issue of the month proposed by Morgan, made by Morgan

I. Approval of Minutes – 4/22/08

Motion #011 -S- 08 to approve the minutes from 4/22/08, made by Morgan

Second: Sally

Vote: 6-0-3

Passed.

II. Revisions to the Agenda

III. Public Forum

IV. Information Items

V. Action Items

VI. Discussion Items

a. Senate Logo

Chelsea passed around a few options for the Senate logo that the Publicity Center had designed. The Senators discussed them and a decision will be made about which one they are going to choose at a later date.

b. Senate By-Laws

Senators mainly discussed item 2.4 concerning the Summer Senate. The Senators thought there should definitely be a Summer Senate but, there should not be as many members or as many meetings. They also discussed what they felt the purpose of the Summer Senate should be. They thought they should prepare a comprehensive report of everything that happened during this school year, plan for the following school year, and Senate training. They also discussed having the summer Senate set up some recruitment for new members to be up at the beginning of fall quarter, and advertise during Summerstart. Some of the Senators felt that some of these ideas may be too specific. Matteo also mentioned an issue he had with section 3.2.1. He and some of the other Senators felt that the Vice Chair should be an instant run off election.

c. Issue of the Month

The only reasonable issue the Senators found on the responses from the April Issue of the Month were the responses about funding, for example how much revenue would we lose that would no longer go to the CBC. They also discussed who would create the ban, this is an issue that goes beyond the Board of Directors or the AS. They would need to work with the CBC and the University; vendors who sell beverages on vendors row would also have to be in agreement. The Senators then discussed what they would replace the water bottles with, they thought maybe giving out water bottles at Summer Start to all the incoming Freshman and adding more fill stations for water on campus. After this discussion had ended the Senators began to discuss their

ideas for next month's issue of the month. First they began by discussing the questions submitted by the ACLU, but the Senators decided this was not an issue they wanted to take up. Sally then suggested having a follow up question for water bottle sale on campus. Chelsea felt that it was not the function of the Issue of the Month to do follow up questions but to present a broader range of questions and ideas for students to think about and give feedback on. Morgan proposed a new question regarding transportation and the late night shuttle. The question read "All students at WWU have had a school year with a bus pass. Have you utilized the pass and what are your thoughts regarding the WTA bus service and the late night shuttle." Morgan moved to approve the issue of the month for May.

Motion# 012 – S – 08 to approve the issue of the month proposed by Morgan, made by Morgan
Second: Matteo **Vote:** 8 – 0 – 0 *Passed.*

The Senators also decided to write up a survey for the water bottle issue and pass them around in their classes.

VII. Other Business

VIII. Senate Reports and Concerns

- a. **Morgan Holmgren** Informed the Senators that last Friday there was an Election Board meeting. There had been two grievances filed, the first one was dismissed and the second as accepted as a violation but no action could be taken. He also discussed the Electoral Action Training that had taken place this past weekend which he felt was very successful.
- b. **Lurdes Hernandez** Went to the Electoral Action Training, which she thought went very well. She also said they were most likely going to have meetings about electoral action to discuss it further.
- c. **Tyler Woodard** Nothing new to report.
- d. **Danny Tonty** Has been coaching 3 and 4 year old t-ball with Diana. Also he informed the Senators that International night began tonight at 7pm.
- e. **Judah Corsini** Witnessed protesting in Red Square, he felt campus was very chaotic. Also he informed the Senators that he attended the Activities Council meeting and that they have tons of funds left over.
- f. **Sally McLaughlin** Received the results from Recycle Mania which she shared with the Senators, exact numbers can be found in the AS Review. She also informed the Senators that Earth Day was very successful. Sally also told the Senators she was not going to be pursuing the issue with smoking any further, but she will be talking with the DIC and hopefully they can do something with the information she gained from her forum.
Brianne Kumar Attended the Facilities and Services Council and the Budget Committee meetings. She also informed the Senators that the website is coming together.
- g. **Matteo Tamburini** Never heard anything from PBS with his questions about the Eyes on the Prize. He has been talking with some of the department chairs who may be interested in doing a showing of this film. He informed the Senators about the Street Theatre Speaking event on Thursday night. Also this Thursday is the first Thursday of the month and they will be reading the names of those who have died in Iraq. He also attended a CASAS training. On May 1st is Workers Rights Day and there will be a Workers Rights march.
- h. **Aaron Hayman** Informed the Senators that two weeks ago was Canada Week. He also informed the Senators that Model UN had gone to New York for six days and that they received an Honorable Mention for their work.
- i. **Chelsea Fletcher** Attended the Facilities and Services Council. Also Club Canada is currently planning for next year.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm by Chelsea.