ASUPS Formal Senate
Murray BoardRoom
Thursday, February 11th, 2016

- Call to order
  - Present: Senators Anstine, Bauer, Brush, Chong, Harrigan, Jones, Kim, Lawrence-Devine, Marsters, Roeder, President Jones, Faculty Representative Morris, Dean of Students Representative Palmquist-Cady
  - Excused: Senator Mayemura
  - Unexcused:
  - Tardy:
- Approval of Minutes
  - Postponed
- Open Forum
  - Matthew Feldman shared this statement:
"Hello everyone. My name is Matthew Feldmann, many of you know me or have seen me around campus. Those who know me know that this space has been a place of emotions like anger, shock, excitement and brutal sadness. What you all must know about such emotions is that they have the greatest effect on you. This is certainly true for me. Of anywhere on campus this room has molded me into who I am. Lately I have not feel comfortable or welcomed in this space and at times I have been the only person sitting in the outside chairs at past meetings, I even made the decision that I would never come back. Worst of all, these feelings are not exclusive to me, in the conversations I have had today with students they speak of ASUPS as
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Confusing
Broken
And my favorite which my best friend told me “A goddamned Clusterfuck”
ASUPS has had many people leave whether in the Executive or Senate as well as many issues with elections hurting the legitimacy of this institution. To replace those who have left, ASUPS Senate has used appointments to fill vacancies. This policy though approved by the constitution still puts individuals into roles of representation without the direct consent of the governed. Looking around the room right now I see faces who I know have heard this before. You all know the rumors, innuendo and slander aimed at ASUPS and frustration associated among
all of us as a student body, this is not why I am here. I simply say this to clear the air.

I am here to ask some things of you and I hope you take them to heart as I have.

1. **Focus on the details**: Details are often the difference. Attention to every detail avoids problems from building and promotes absolute truth by illuminating every issue. No matter how small or insignificant a concern, please voice it so others who are not here are spoken for. The devil is in the details so prepare for success by leaving no detail unaccounted for. Get to the heart of matters because it is the heart that matters more.

2. **Focus on your character rather than your reputation**: because character is something you have yourself rather than reputation which is controlled by others.

3. **Focus on being good**. You all know your duties and responsibilities. That being said this should not be your primary focus tonight. These should be understood and second nature. Your focus should be on being good, I have realized that you do the most good by being good. No other way achieves results beneficial to all.

4. **Realize that those who are quick to judge are often those in possession of the least facts**. It is not a matter of dispelling their opinions but educating them and bringing them into the process. Their frustration is a symptom of something we all want. For them to care. Those who complain and judge and even get angry are those we should reach out to more than anyone. As Lincoln once said “the best way to destroy an enemy is to make him into a friend.”

As I said at the start, this is not a place that I find comfort. But I am a student that cares about the business of this school and the students in it. This room and ASUPS as an institution is where students come together and I believe that will never change. In the last 2 and a half years I believe this institution has failed. But true winners are those who fail because they do things. The doers make mistakes and the doers fail but the only true failure is a failure to try. So I conclude with this. Thank you for continuing to try. And thank you for listening.”

- Executive Reports
  - President Report
    - The purpose of ASUPS is to serve the students, service our campus and Tacoma, to stand in adversity as students. Her role is mostly to listen, sometimes to speak and as she desires to revision the status quo, there is never enough time for the work she desires to get down, work some don’t take up. President Jones cares and watches and observes and cares. She is looking forward to the next Vice-President who will bring love, work ethic and care to ASUPS
and our community, to improve campus. We shouldn’t ostracize each other for how we love differently and see differently, we can all contribute to ASUPS as branches to show love to each other and the fruit of our labor, a dream of a family that Alissa had when she first took her role as Vice President. Even with the next elections coming up, we have offered a lot and there is still much to offer.

- **Vice President Report**
- **Faculty Representative Report**
  - No report
- **Dean of Students Representative Report**
  - No report

**Senate Reports**

- **Chair Report**
  - She met with Dean Segawa about implementing trigger warnings into the classroom.
- **Club Liaison Director Report**
  - The Hiveminders Club is exciting and welcoming, just one of many groups we may not have met and don’t know much about. The women’s ultimate frisbee won the LA tournament they were in. The exercise science club is attending an annual conference at PLU, Global Brigades is having a fundraiser with Hello Cupcake and Legendary Donuts to fund their trip in May to Nicaragua, the sailing team did very well, second place at the regatta last weekend and competing in Canada later this month, Flowarts does fire-dancing and their planning their Relay for Life performance and go to gatherings in Seattle, Hillel has an increase in members and Sat. 20 6-9pm Jews and Jammies event in SDC, April 2 is their Passover Sedah with tickets available two weeks in advance and kayak club meets Mon & Thurs night. Senator Anstine will be putting club updates in the calendar with Director of Technology Services.
- **Club Sports Liaison Director Report**
  - He has contacted the Women’s Rugby club about some field and equipment storage issues and usage before he contacts Athletics.
- **Committee Reports**
  - Elections: their goal is to have the elections packet ready to be approved by next week.
  - Food, Health & Safety: There were 4 alcohol violations, 1 misuse of fire equipment, 1 theft; Todd Batham will be talking to groups on campus about the ongoing project to get feedback from the campus community. CHWS is interviewing to replace a physician’s assistant, and while they didn’t get all the money they asked for they are moving forward, flu shots are still available, the food cart is still being organized with the health guidelines, & the green fee will be up and running soon.
Media Board: The Trail’s first issue comes out tomorrow; Photo Services are trying to figure out a more autonomous way to share their work, new KUPS DJs start Monday.

Programmers: They will be tabling in the sub, Odell the Fox will be playing in Opp on Feb. 1th, Open Mic on Valentine’s Day in the Cellar, the Monks will be coming too, Peter Weebin is presenting right now in the Tahoma Room.

Governance: They have been discussing proxies (if a Senator is unable to attend a meeting, with notice another member could vote) and the 48-hour rule (for emergency funds can be given with a finance request bypassing the normal request process). They are rejecting language on the 48-hour rule to prevent dangerous precedent bypassing finance committee and informal senate. They will be engaging a long-term elections eval and updating our governing documents to be more inclusive, friendly, clear and accessible.

Union Board: They are moving forward with the solicitation revamp project slowly and should be resolved at the next meeting two weeks from now. They are discussing installing a projector in WSC 201 for usage, they were initially quoted by the most expensive company that over-quoted us and the board will evaluate how to most wisely use their funds.

Senate Project Reports

CHWS is installing an online scheduling system for counseling appointment, not medical appointment. She has contacted the library about renting computer chargers but they don’t have money in their budget for that. She will be meeting with Sarah Comstock about alcohol permits for things such as beer tasting for potential events.

Senator Kim will be working on a project about international student diversity with the Study Abroad office to relaunch International Week and is working on dates and content.

Unfinished Business

16-063 Finance Allocation to Puget Sound Podcast

The ASUPS Senate hereby allocates $0 to the Puget Sound Podcast Club

After meeting with Director of Tech Services, their new request is $391.75 and received invaluable information after meeting with Michael.

AMENDMENT: 16-063 Capital Allocation to Puget Sound Podcast:
The ASUPS Senate hereby allocates $391.75 to the Puget Sound Podcast Club

Amendment Vote:

Yay: 11
Nay: 0
Abstentions: 1
This equipment will be kept through ASUPS storage. The cost encompasses shipping and tax. Their goal is to conduct on-campus interviews, discussions and debates with the campus community. They are looking to how they would be expanding with more involvement, additional equipment for more microphones and speakers in the future.

- Senator Anstine requests a point of personal privilege.
  - Vote:
    - Yay: 11
    - Nay: 0
    - Abstentions: 1

- New Business
  - **16-068 Confirmation of new ASUPS Senator**
    - The ASUPS Senate hereby confirms Thavy Thach as the new Senator-at-Large
    - Chief Justice Pogar swears in Thavy Thach as the new Senator-at-Large.
    - Vote:
      - Yay: 12
      - Nay: 0
      - Abstentions: 0

- Roll is recalled
- Senator Marsters requests a point of personal privilege
  - **16-065 Finance Allocation to the Figure Drawing Club**
    - The ASUPS Senate hereby allocates $306.00 for 9 weeks of modeling.
    - Vote:
      - Yay: 12
      - Nay: 0
      - Abstentions: 0

  - **16-066 Approval of the Forestry Club**
    - The ASUPS Senate hereby approves the Forestry Club, having finished its high-risk assessment.
    - Walter From, the President and their leadership team are thankful for ASUPS involvement. This will be an education and competitive team about forestry, sustainability, safety and more in the outdoors. There are dozens of schools are involved in the national organization about loggers and want to bring recognition and strong community in the logger ways. They have been in contact with the ADWC and been contacted to participate in April. They will be submitting a capital request for first aid kit, saws, axes, wood-cranks, wedges, etc for competition, safety and practitioning. They’ve contacted clubs about getting the appropriate costs and regulation items to use with fund from club dues, fundraisers and more. Senate thanks them for all the hard work they’ve put in, their logo is amazing.
Vote:
- Yay: 13
- Nay: 0
- Abstentions: 0

16-067 Finance Allocation to the SOAN Club
- The ASUPS Senate hereby allocates $154.75 to the SOAN club to help offset the cost of posters and speakers.
- On March 28th, they are putting on a lecture, bringing on speakers and have been requesting funds from a variety of groups on campus. They are waiting to hear back from IPE, they received funds from the SOAN and Environmental policy department.

Vote:
- Yay: 13
- Nay: 0
- Abstentions: 0

16-069 Approval of Amendment to Article II: Section III of the ASUPS Bylaws
- The ASUPS Senate hereby concurs with the Governance Committee and ratifies Amendment II to Article II: Section III of the ASUPS Bylaws in pursuant to Article VI: Section I: Amendment through the Senate.
- The one week comment period has passed. A motion to defer to committee allows the committee to revise recommendation as this one is from the previous committee.
- Defer to committee Vote:
  - Yay: 12
  - Nay: 0
  - Abstentions: 1

16-070 Voting to fill vacated VP Seat
- Senator Anstine, Bauer, Brush, Chong, Harrigan, and Marsters are nominated.
- Senator Brush rescinds his nomination. Each individual has a minute to give a speech.
- Senator Anstine: She will make sure the day-to-day operations, running elections and transitioning the next VP in is smooth. She thanks Senate for welcoming her and wants to continue to extend that welcome to all students on campus.
- Senator Bauer: She thinks this is something she could do well, she’s been working with the exec team since September and working well, she’s well-organized and excited to fill this role and also be a resource to whomever the Vice President is.
- Senator Chong: He brings a lot of ambition and committee experience, and continues to want to bring things to this table and continue to serve the people in this room moving forward.
- Senator Harrigan: He knew he wanted to do this from the idea of why are we here and he is here to contribute to the work to be done
and shift back to our original intentions, to the meaning of ASUPS. Is it for funding clubs, or to give students their avenue to explain their voices?

- President Jones shares the definition of leadership as ethical and effective, who does ASUPS and our campus needs, someone dedicated and their work has been shown in this capacity.
- Run-off: Senator Anstine, Bauer, Chong
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- By two-thirds majority vote the Senate elects Senator Anstine to be the new ASUPS Vice-President

- **Announcements**
  - Saturday Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, Senator Chong will be giving comments on 10-10:50am
  - Tues 5-6pm Senator Chong’s radio show is back
  - Men’s Lacrosse beat WSU this past weekend, they are going to College of Idaho next week, first weekend of March home game at Lower Baker v. Central Washington
  - Gathering of student government peoples at the end of February for leaders to discuss diversity and inclusion, more info to come.
  - Vice President Elect Anstine is very thankful and grateful to be elected and engages in an open-door policy to serve everyone.
  - Washington Music Educator’s Conference has 12 UPS students attending this weekend. Professor Morris is giving a lecture on Saturday at 1pm.
  - Global Brigades is selling Hello Cupcakes & Legendary Donuts tomorrow
  - Senator Jones is presenting her thesis in Th395 4pm on Wednesday.
  - Dean of Students Palmquist-Cady invites all to her Mortar Board nomination next Thursday at 4pm in the Tahoma Room.
  - Senator Bauer is excited for all the new Senators getting involved and others getting to where they need to be if it is not with us.
- **Adjournment 8:26PM**