ASUPS Formal Senate
Murray BoardRoom
Thursday, October 8th, 2015

- Call to order 7:00pm
  o Present: Senators Anstine, Bartholomay, Bauer, Busson, Chong, Griffin, Lumbantobing, Marsters, McPherran, Vallance, Faculty Representative Morris, Dean of Students Representative Palmquist-Cady
  o Excused:
  o Unexcused:
  o Tardy: Vice President Hartnig, President Jones
- Approval of Minutes
  o Vote:
    - Yay: 12
    - Nay: 0
    - Abstentions: 0
- Open Forum
- Senator Chong and Senator Bartholomay request a point of personal privilege
  o Kyle & Gwen updated Senate on the possibility of a letter in solidarity and support for the Umpqua College after their unimaginable tragedy which was discussed at last Senate. They are continuing to work on the letter to be discussed during next week’s informal Senate. They will be meeting to draft it tomorrow at 2:30pm in Diversions.
- Vice President Hartnig and President Jones requests a point of personal privilege.
  o Alissa and Nakisha wanted to touch base about the allegations and campus discussion on the finance allocation of SIRGE. Everyone is entitled to how they feel about how Senate, Finance Committee and more, they wanted to share some facts. SIRGE is run through the student development office, and with a financial request, Senate acknowledges they lack the funding needed and ASUPS is looking to facilitate the necessary funds in the future to support their actions. ASUPS is not fiscally in charge of the SIRGE budget, but they acknowledge we can and should assist their cause. The De-Masc event asked for funding for food, which is not normally funded by ASUPS and the committee didn’t have all the details regarding the event. Alissa is uncomfortable about the references to acts of violence to any organizations and frustrated that the
Wetlands article previously titled “Burn ASUPS Down” has racist hyperbolic language and could make individuals unsafe, including her. She shares expressing anger to channel progress is more productive than inciting violence. They both acknowledge that ASUPS makes mistakes and they acknowledge that, Senate has the opportunity to adjust any Finance allocations given. Finance committee meeting minutes are always posted on the ASUPS website. They want to continue support SIRGE to get the future funding they need. There has been speculation that ASUPS does not care about victims of sexual assault, with the financing portion of Senate does not often show how we support them. Some ways ASUPS has supported sexual assault awareness and advocacy is by hosting the Sexual Assault Form last fall, they surveyed students about sexual assault policies, they funded a new safety light in North Quad, funding support for CHWS this semester, and they have a Sexual Violence and Gender Committee that has been meeting all summer to take action. ASUPS does a lot of things for victims of sexual assault, and attacks on ASUPS can diminish what the wealth of things they do for victims of assault. ASUPS is looking towards how to make future adjustments for funding. There are already many barriers against sexual assault victims and they don’t want to divide the campus to fighting how ASUPS is trying to make changes on how sexual assault is discussed and instead put efforts or criticism to prevention, supporting and future changes for ASUPS. If you’d like to find out more about what ASUPS is doing, go to the ASUPS Office for a list, the Executive Board is open to answering questions about their values and what they’re planning this year. Sometimes ASUPS is just a dollar sign to people, and Nakisha and Alissa see that ASUPS can do so much more than just a dollar sign. Ken Avianada who oversees the financial aspect of ASUPS is also open to hearing from students.

- Aryeh Conrad shared next aconrad@pugetsound.edu. “Burn ASUPS Down” was not the title, a draft was mistakenly uploaded, it was a misprint. It was meant to be tongue-in-cheek. There is no SIRGE Budget, it is zero dollars. They are very clear about the process for funding with ASUPS; they have issues with the funding itself. With the blanket policies including catering, transportation and clothing preventing funding for supporting those needs. The purpose of finance is to determine what money can be allotted for committees. The Wetlands article is criticizing the finance process, and for ASUPS to prioritize advocacy preventing violence-sexual assault, and identity based measures violence. Our Student government needs to make our student body safe; they are appreciative of the funding towards Take Back the Night. They wanted to share the critique of ASUPS and Finances system not any individual. If Finance is going to make recommendations and Senate is going to overturn then it may seem redundant. This conversation is not only about SIRGE, Aryeh is not the only individual supporting these causes and other identity based groups in CICE that shouldn’t be minimized by a single program.
Jane is Vice President of Ballroom Dance Club. Bluesion holds an event the first weekend of the semester every year and they did not have speakers at their event requested by ASUPS. It made the other leadership members to run around and try and get speakers for their event. This one time that they didn’t have music severely impacted Bluesion since it was the night with the most freshmen. She feels unvalued as a club by ASUPS and it’s hard for clubs to talk to a specific individual or no communication, specifically sharing the concern that there are not late-night spaces for activities on campus. She shares that another university hosts an event called Global Grounds which is a coffee shop run by students with games and company that is in a non-coffee shop. There is a lot of space not utilized by students especially Kilworth Basement. There should be more options for students on the weekends and at night for students to participate in. Jane is extending an invitation to create a programming once a month to create a space for students to have fun and not sitting in your dorm rooms or going out to parties at night, her contact info is jsadetsky@pugetsound.edu. Some suggestions of others to get involved are Ann Creed the RHA president and ASUPS Programmers are great other options for Jane to collaborate with.

- Motion to suspend normal order:
  o Vote:
    ▪ Yay: 11
    ▪ Nay: 1
    ▪ Abstentions: 1

- Executive Reports
  o President Report
    ▪ No report
  o Vice President Report
    ▪ Commends those coming to Senate, as it’s always great to have people here. The exact numbers of Finance and Capital accounts are not known. The Fall Elections are going on, Greek Senator, On-Campus Senator, Residence Hall Senator and one Senator-at-Large position have no applicants and will have write-in campaigns. Polls open Monday, close Friday and new Senators will be notified before Fall Break and sworn in the Formal Senate after fall break.
  o Faculty Representative Report
    ▪ No report
  o Dean of Students Representative Report
    ▪ No report

- Senate Reports
  o Chair Report
    ▪ Senator Vallance did act as copy editor on the Wetlands Article, as all Senators can express their own opinions on topics including sharing on social media. She cautions individuals about making claims about what Senate and Finance Committee does, and that making those claims undermines that committee and to not use
strong language. It's not the problems of clubs to worry about how much funding ASUPS has available, we want finance requests to be conducted in an open and conducive language pertaining to the merits of the specific club and request.

- **Club Liaison Director Report**
  - She has been working on a continuity form. The process for higher risk approval is not clear for clubs, as shared by Global Brigade, a process not many Senators have complete knowledge about. Eco club is interested in how Senate can get involved with divestment. JStreetU is creating an action plan on community engagement and outreach including fundraising ideas for humanitarian aid fund in conflict zones and advocacy on a two-state and peaceful solution. Women’s Rugby info meetings Tu, We, Th and practice on Tu and Thu. The kayak club invites Senate and campus members to go to the pool with the 8-10pm Monday and Thursday nights.

- **Club Sports Liaison Director Report**
  - No report

- **Committee Reports**
  - **Media Board:** Elements editors are networking with science departments and reaching out to audiences for content, Tamanawas focusing on individual staff opinions to be event-based instead of just academic departments, Wetlands zene sold out by Wednesday, they are looking to expand multimedia of blog, the Trail is going well, please with content with a motivated staff and they’ll have a workshop next week, Photo Services, croscurrents posters about submissions up next week, entire KUPS staff is green dot certified and intern applications is out.
  - **Food & Safety:** Flu shot clinic starts tomorrow, getting vaccinated is important, Stumptown has been bought out but we will still be using them, 1400 smoothies at the Cellar, corn dogs in the Diner, Farm-to-Table is next week and tomorrow the Asian station will have made to order sushi!

- **Unfinished Business**
  - 16-012 **Approval of the Student Needs Cooperative as an ASUPS Club**
    - The ASUPS Senate hereby approves the Student Needs Cooperative as an official ASUPS Club.
  - 16-022 **Approval of Global Brigades: Public Health as an official ASUPS Club**
    - The ASUPS Senate hereby approves Global Brigades: Public Health as an official ASUPS Club.
  - 16-023 **Endorsement of the Puget Sound Student Union’s Coalition Letter**
    - The ASUPS hereby endorses the Puget Sound Student Union Coalition Letter on the selection of the University’s next President.
  - 16-024 **Approval of the September 24th, 2015 Minutes**
- The ASUPS Senate hereby approves the September 24th, 2015 Senate minutes.
- From now on minutes will come from Senator Vallance.
  - Vote:
    - Yay: 13
    - Nay: 0
    - Abstentions: 0
- New Business
  - 16-025 Finance Allocation to Aryeh Conrad and Jae Bates
    - The ASUPS Senate hereby allocates $152 to Aryeh Conrad and Jae Bates for Take Back the Night.
    - Jae and Aryeh requesting catering for an event called Bros and Breakfast to engage academic discourse on violence perpetuated around toxic masculine and rape culture. These students will discuss academic discourse to lived meaning experiences to lessen systemic violence. They shared why food is central to this event. Jae is here to answer any questions with other members of the community to support. This is very different. Two screenings of Hunting Ground, posters request and for Brave Miss World that is being shown at the Grand Cinema in conjunction with UW Tacoma and Bothell. Both are about sexual violence, the director of the movie will be at the second showing, it’s a huge opportunity for our community. The bulk of their request is for poster and the catering for Bros and Breakfast catering is very important, it’s hard to get individuals to participate in this conversation without some incentive. The event was moved to a Tuesday to engage masculine identifying students in Greek Life. Student Activities is also supporting this programming, they don’t have more money to give than what they already have. There’s no one in CICE for SIRGE.
  - Dean of Students Representative Palmquist-Cady notes that the Student Activities Budget got $5,000 last year for sexual misconduct cards, advocacy cards, green dot paraphernalia and sending individuals to be trained for Green Dot. Alyssa Kessel and Marta put together and educated event for faculty and staff, leaving not much left for other programming. Money previously spent on late night programming is being put to SIRGE after being under CICE support. University budget has not changed within 10 years and they are doing what they can with only this $5,000. $30,000 for Student Activities and SIRGE is a limited amount and Marta also has always encouraged the SIRGE Coordinator to ask ASUPS for money.
  - Aryeh shares how they have cut down costs: posters with too much information isn’t sensible, there is no outside
speaker for Take Back the Night and Bros and Breakfast with only local individuals from the committee coming in for free. They have considered how expensive speakers are. They have to consider cutting programming because of limited funds. The $152 would cover a half round of posters, cutting catering for Bros and Breakfast, Take Back the Night posters, can’t sponsor Brave Miss World. Aryeh was hoping to work with other offices on campus to get free transportation for events which would be really low. There’s nowhere Aryeh could pull funds for to continue nearly any programming. The finance request is for $408 which is the bare minimum they need, but really want $500 with the extra $100 for Brave Miss World. If they could have any budget they would have asked for $700 to create well thought out and strong programming.

- Amendment: **16-025 Finance Allocation to Aryeh Conrad and Jae Bates:** The ASUPS Senate hereby allocates $500 to Aryeh Conrad and Jae Bates for Take Back the Night.
  - De-Masc was only given bare budget as a club and can only hold one film event and if that money went to these events, they would not have any events. They are hoping for a big turn-out about 60 students to Bros and Breakfast and get individuals into participating with De Masc weekly discussions. Those discussions are more theoretical and still hard to get participation, it’s a group built on a framework of masculinity and many cis women now as the only ones willing to reduce cis phobia and other issues. They are specifically invited Fraternities and individuals to participate and facilitate the discussion to get masculine individuals to participate in this actual discussion. Senator McPherran shares that funding to benefit the wider community and reduce violence should be something ASUPS should support, we should look at the wider implications and there is no reason not to spend the full amount. They deserve the operational capacity that is critical to their work. Senator Marsters brings up the consideration of upping the event for Aryeh to put these events on in the best way possible and if we want to make a change to financial support something impactful for our community. The transportation for Brave Miss World would be a huge cost to cover, that could cover posters for the full campus and the money will roll over in the SIRGE Budget for next semester. A potential additional programming effort is feminism and dessert engaging slut shaming and girl blaming conversation. There’s another student who wants to do marketing with the “It’s on Us” campaign with SIRGE activities and they could also be supportive. More SIRGE merch could be a day to day way to indicate what matters to our campus, shifting culture norms and paradigms. There was a student who came about discussing asexuality in a meaningful way. Allocating more money will indicate to the Budget Taskforce in the future the importance of these issues and groups and to allot to these causes.
The motion and second is revoked.

- Amendment: **16-025 Finance Allocation to Aryeh Conrad and Jae Bates: The ASUPS Senate hereby allocates $700 to Aryeh Conrad and Jae Bates for Take Back the Night.**
  - This is a very important visceral action for ASUPS to take to show our support of these programming. Jae references that another way for ASUPS to support is physically showing up to these events to engage in the discussion, with no ASUPS individuals it can be discouraging as President Jones shared during informal.
  - Amendment Vote:
    - Yay: 13
    - Nay: 0
    - Abstentions: 0
  - Their spring programs are bigger and they engage Greek Life and RHA for funding for their Take Back the Night Speaker

- Amendment: **16-025 Finance Allocation to Aryeh Conrad and Jae Bates: The ASUPS Senate hereby allocates $700 to Aryeh Conrad and Jae Bates for SIRGE and De-Masc programming.**
  - Amendment Vote:
    - Yay: 13
    - Nay: 0
    - Abstentions: 0
  - There are ASUPS vans to rent and the individuals who wish to peruse it could make a request for van fees to be waivered. It’s run through the ASUPS General Operations Budget and Kristie.
  - Item Vote:
    - Yay: 12
    - Nay: 0
    - Abstentions: 1

- Motion to resuspend normal order:
  - Motion Vote:
    - Yay: 13
    - Nay: 0
    - Abstentions: 0

- **16-026 Finance Allocation to Kayak Club**
  - The ASUPS Senate hereby allocates $1,500 to Kayak Club for payment of a kayak coach for the 2015-2016 school years.
  - Their club has been expanding over the past 14 years and they hope to have an instructor to build the advanced students who kayak and go on trips to rougher water and go to more kayak collegiate races. They will be hosting their own collegiate whitewater race which is really exciting and they would like to be more competitive and go to more competitions. Their club is engaging a lot of advanced boaters and a coach would cater to those with a strong background to gain new skills. Senate thanks them for how well-thought-out their finance request was. They have
not requested funding over the past 3-4 years. We have this amazing kayak program that is ranked top five among the nation and show others how great this community is. They have an unbelievable number of alums and community members who keep coming back to their pool sessions, these alums are interested in taking this position on. Senators asked to look at finance requests on their own merit and not the whole budget. They get the word out to high schoolers by going to and hosting their own collegiate race. Kayaking is based on media and two students on our campus have started their own web series and multiple members putting their names out there. Their race will host a few high schoolers, grad students and visiting students have reached out to the club directly. This is a club sport, their trips are run through PSO, risks ASUPS does not have the expertise to host the trips. As a rollover club this money will be become a part of the budget as the other club sports are getting funding for coaches.

- Vote:
  - Yay: 12
  - Nay: 0
  - Abstentions: 1

- Announcements
  - Friday is the Symphony String Orchestra Concert
  - Wind Ensemble Concert next Thursday at 7:30pm
  - Senator Griffin will meet with Chris Iker about the bike sheds
  - Senator Griffin has been working with Assistant director of Technology to get printers for Greek Life
  - CHWS buys 1000 condoms for $75 and CHWS has looked into buying condoms which has a difference in price is $250 and could encourage others to buy them in the future as every purchase donates a condom to a country in need.
  - Town hall Tuesday this week, October 13, 4PM on the topic of Board of Trustees and transparency. Talk, chat or listen.
  - Speaker Adam Grabowski comedian with ASUPS Lectures and Greek Week tomorrow at 7pm in Kilworth Chapel.

- Adjournment 8:29PM