ASUPS Formal Senate
Murray BoardRoom
Thursday, November 19th, 2015

- Call to order 7:00PM
  - Present: Senators Anstine, Bauer, Brush, Chong, Harrigan, Lawrence-Devine, Marsters, Mayemura, Roeder, President Jones, Faculty Representative Morris, Dean of Students Representative Palmquist-Cady
  - Excused: Senator Jones, Lumbantobing, Vice President Hartnig
  - Unexcused:
  - Tardy:

- Approval of Minutes
  - Vote:
    - Yay: 11
    - Nay: 0
    - Abstentions: 0

- Open Forum
  - Director of Student Interests, Austin Brittenham, he\'him pronouns. He wanted to come in person and share his work and goals in this position. His executive position matches the responsibilities of the director of sustainability position and student interests of social justice and programs. He is in the process of establishing a dining dollar food bank for communities in need and a few individuals within the Dining Services Conference to re-allot donated dining dollars to students in need. There is a new gender-based housing option for trans and gender fluid individuals to support a safe living situation for. The green fee application is due tomorrow, for sustainable oriented projects on campus, there is $10,000 for these projects, there are 10 applications so far and they are looking into structuring another fee in the ASUPS budget for identity and community-building activism, wider encompassing descriptive is being determined, which would come out of the student government fee. He has a lot of activities and projects that he\'d be happy to partner with Senators on their senate projects contact him at asupsdsi@pugetsound.edu He will be working on an institutional follow-up as soon as possible with those involved in organizing the walkout today and supporting them. This position is continued to be redefined on the work it does and should be
compensation for the collaborations. It’s a resource person for students taking action, addressing problems and work on this campus.

- President Jones requests a point of personal privilege
  - President Jones opens up a dialogue about the events today. Senator Roeder brings up the idea of sponsoring conversations of the list of demands, diversity on this campus, experiences as marginalized voices to ensure all members of the campus are educated on these situations and experiences. President Jones addresses the ideas brought up at the end of announcements last Senate. Senator Bauer’s own experiences going to ore events makes it apparent how little Senate and representatives of ASUPS are not taking as much of a part in all these events and support and participate in events. Senator Chong brings up how we can branch out and be so involved and addressing student interests and making time to work within our own space and capabilities as elected representatives to do work for the interests of our students, empowering our peers. Senator Roeder’s experiences at events have helped him relate and understand the efforts clubs put together to betterment. Attending events, we are personal individuals with a lot to gain and be part of the betterment of our campus and their actions. Senator Marsters shares the sentiment that its tiring to just talk and how do we break out of that cycle. It’s a personal responsibility to be involved in these. These interests of our students are an opportunity to making a Senator project meaningful, a material way to make change. ASUPS has a lot of power working with our administration with the complexity of issues and an individual asks ASUPS can put pressure on our administration’s actions to the interests of our students. As a formalized body, ASUPS can be more active in working with the administration and Senators can get involved as individuals. We all represent a wide range of individuals, backgrounds and to learn from communities we must listen and experience those campus communities. Outreach from a place of learning from is important especially in the new DMO. A lot of the issues presented we may not know about and self-education is so important to learn from, be less ignorant and get involved like reading in Collins Memorial Library.

- Executive Reports
  - President Report
    - There was an MLK Jr. Planning Day; Jasiri X is coming as our speaker. There will be an opportunity to nominate to recommend individuals to people who have a dream inclusion and justice award. Town hall Tuesday about ways there are silenced narratives, with another about mental health, its effectiveness is being evaluated on whether or not to bring it back in the spring. There was a walkout today, tomorrow ASUPS will be presenting at the Budget Taskforce, and we are asking an increase in $4 of student tuition to be allotted to our Finance fund next year and $2 per student for diversity, inclusion and identity “expression” fund. Anyone can email the budget taskforce to ask for money to be used
in a certain way. Next week is the Presidential Search Committee interviews, which President Jones will be diligent with.

- Vice President Report
  - No report

- Faculty Representative Report
  - Congratulations on the walkout today, he read President Thomas’ email made him happy about the power we as a community to have. ASUPS and students have the power to make administration listen a lot, not just sometimes believe in the power we have.

- Dean of Students Representative Report
  - We are on the cusp of hiring Orientation 2016 Leaders, decisions finalized by Monday and announced. She is happy to incorporate student interest such as the AIC demands for Orientation planning which she has control of. Green Dot Training on Saturday 10-4pm in the Rotunda, the next one on December 5. Happy thanksgiving!

- Senate Reports
  - Chair Report
    - Senator Bauer has been thinking a lot of Senator projects and our role on campus and encourages all to make more of an effort to be involved in the community.
  - Club Liaison Director Report
    - All the clubs & directions are assigned to Senators, please contact club leaders and include your café hours. RDG is this weekend to support your friends. The walkout was successful and good to see the campus gathered, kayak club Mon-Thurs. 8-10pm.
  - Club Sports Liaison Director Report
    - After this weekend, Senator Roeder will be in contact with club sports and varsity sports to figure out a better system for field space which is unfair for club sports, looking at the athletic field space policy and go in person to ask questions to Jeff Halstead and Brad Butcher.

- Committee Reports
  - Food & Safety: Thanksgiving dinners available from the sub, the Cellar will be open some of the days over the break. Smoothie total is at 3,600+. Reminder that CHWS has extended their hours, Tues 1-8 & Fri 1-4, there is an addition of three student support groups from CHWS-the sexual assault survival group, between the lines LGBT, and children of adults with alcoholism groups.
    - Governance has established their committee, they are figuring out their scheduling.

- Senate Project Reports

- 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.
• These individuals are no longer interested in pursuing becoming a club.

o Vote:
  • Yay: 0
  • Nay: 11
  • Abstentions: 0

o 16-040 Capital Allocation to Director of Technology Services
  • The ASUPS Senate hereby allocates $6,500 to the DTS for a new website.
  • Director & Ass. Director had a presentation and project proposal. The website revamp will be outsourced, and this transparency is to allow all know what they do. The website is the face of our organization, a poster and van request system, orca card checkout, clubs, documents, updates and elections. The website was previously created in hand by Vikram quickly, now a new system is needed to update software, create a platform to build upon, and maintain more for the website. The new system will shorten the process of editing and posting information, etc. through the source of information streamline instead of always through the Technology Services office. The new platform is Expression Engine, very well-known fully customizable, adaptable, minimal management, less likely to be hacked in high quality developers. This new system will allow continuity moving forward under time crunches as the current website code is hard to maintain and understand. This system update occurs once every four or so years; the Office of Communications undergoes a redesign every four years and recommended a developer to work with a content manager who is very familiar with the developer and coding. Originally it was about $6000 range for a local developer and after further thought, DTS revamped their proposal. Any revamping under $10,000 is for a minimal usage, while our developer and cost of $10,625 for a thorough design and support to build a long-lasting website in 4-6 weeks. It's a family-owned company that Michael has worked with in the past successfully. They are confident this is the best solution. The time set for website design and build is an opportunity for students to give input on the website process to serve students well. Intuitive, stable and professional.

o AMENDMENT: 16-040 Capital Allocation to Director of Technology Services: The ASUPS Senate hereby allocates $10,625 to the DTS for a new website.
  • Amendment Vote:
    • Yay: 11
    • Nay: 0
    • Abstentions: 0
  • Our current site is falling apart and is set to break within a couple months. The Directors passwords reject the users, with functions
no longer working with simple re-coding. The media and other aspects of ASUPS modules are being updated on this server which upsets the websites stability and code base. The new program will build everything on top of a base that maintains all the functionality of ASUPS separately. There has been a lot of money over time being put into our website and it is still not been a viable piece of communication, that Dean of Students Palmquist Cady shares some concern about its sustainability. Vikram told Michael that his creation of the website was thrown together to meet the need but knowing there is so much custom functionality needed, and no matter what would need to be redone from the ground up. Having the content manager system extends the functionality of the website and all design on top of the CMS could be changed for less money or within the Tech office, the functionality such as elections will all be built with this money and be sustained, with only minimal changes needed. There is a potential for a creed to set and sustain this website as DTS without the ability to customize per personal preference, to maintain its continuity. There is no one on this campus that could do this work that our developer can do for all those who use it. There is a huge return on this investment with the other positions such as running elections seamlessly on the system. There is some revenue coming in from Local Logger and businesses are willing to fund their module on the website. The payments go in segments throughout the website revamp. Custom modules with extra modules are listed, but the calendar is part of the base of the site and will be included and done better of all events. These professional developers will do a better job than anything students could do and M2 could be our developer in a couple years to update the site and they would know the process of our site already.

- Vote:
  - Yay: 11
  - Nay: 0
  - Abstentions: 0

- New Business
  - 16-042 Finance Allocation to Peer Allies
    - The ASUPS Senate hereby allocates $488.37 for stickers and whistles to better promote Peer Allies.
    - Peer Allies will be printing 500 more stickers and they will be purchasing 500 whistles for keychains to be passed out to students to spread the word. Students have given feedback about wanting Peer Allies to be more visible.

- Vote:
  - Yay: 11
  - Nay: 0
  - Abstentions: 0
16-043 Finance Allocation to UPS Marketing Club
- The ASUPS hereby allocates $0 to the Marketing Club.
- They are hoping to start an American Marketing Association part of a national organization. The funds would cover the $52 membership fee and asks for it to be subsidized for students to pay less and be more willing to join. They hope to keep the club running with their ideas but need assistance getting it off the ground. They offer services to local companies to help them with their marketing; they’d like to take on more clients and bigger projects. Before the club had 3-4 regular members and becoming a national organization they have 30 interested students to support the club now. As they were previously just consulting, being a part of AMA offers an opportunity to continue marketing professionally, resources and events and be a chapter interacting with other college chapters. Since they are working with these clients, students are held accountable about their involvement of their club and putting our marketing club and individuals out there. Their interest meeting had 40 individuals and as club afterwards they’ve had similar amount of students’ interest along with more communicating interest. This is an opportunity for students as our university doesn’t have a marketing major, and outreach with the community and not many marketing options. There is no precedent for Finance to support student membership dues. The club views this allocation to support the start-up of this chapter here, and they have plans about their actions through communicating with other Washington chapters. The business department through email is hesitant to support the club’s start-up membership fees since they don’t have that much money.

- Senator Brush requests a point of personal privilege
  - The club will have to send in a form, constitution, signature and membership fees to be established as a chapter so they can start-up immediately in the spring. Senators and exec are hesitant considering precedent. The marketing club does not have a budget but could ask for a budget in the spring to have funds to assist with start-up and they are in the process of applying to be a club.

  
  Vote:
  - Yay: 3
  - Nay: 6
  - Abstentions: 0

- Senator Chong requests a point of personal privilege

16-044 Finance Allocation to UPS Christian Fellowship
- The ASUPS Senate hereby allocates $640.00 to the UPS Christian Fellowship to help offset the costs of going to Urbana.
- It’s a conference in Missouri; four leaders have been accepted into a leadership track and asked for funding support. They’ve received funding from Dave Wright’s office; three out of four flights have
been donated and written personal letters for donations. Lindsey is going and is excited to some of the breakouts to help her understand how to be white in a multicultural world as she felt the ResLife training was inadequate. It’s an opportunity for students to work with and be supported by leaders in their faith and share their learnings in an open dialogue for the campus community. These individuals volunteered and will go no matter what funds are received. Students couldn’t ask the university to cover their expenses from the enrichment fund; this conference is once every three years. Most often students apply to UEC, and ASUPS contribute $27,000 to support conference attending for students scholarly work but these individuals are unable to apply to the UEC (for scholarly conferences) for any money whatsoever and their ASUPS fee is supporting the fund anyway.

- Amendment: 16-044 Finance Allocation to UPS Christian Fellowship: The ASUPS Senate hereby allocates $1000.00 to the UPS Christian Fellowship to help offset the costs of going to Urbana.
  - Amendment Vote:
    - Yay: 9
    - Nay: 1
    - Abstentions: 0
- Vote:
  - Yay: 10
  - Nay: 0
  - Abstentions: 1

- 16-045 Confirmation of Simone Quinanola as Senator at Large
  - The ASUPS hereby confirms Simone Quinaola as Senator at Large.
  - She participates in QA, Wixen, and poetry editor at Wetlands and excited about working with ASUPS and the communities she’s in. She’s excited to make UPS a better place. As a female queer person of color, she admits not feeling well-represented through ASUPS and excited to open up that representation and discussion with various communities. There were six applications, and the committee was very excited to work with Simone.
  - Confirm:
    - Yay: 11
    - Nay: 0
    - Abstentions: 0

- Announcements
- Subsgiving is Monday night!
- Tuesday Dec. 1 Senator Roeder is giving his history “depictions of jewish gangsters in the prohibition era” thesis at 11am in Wyatt Hall, there will be cookies
• Monday evening at the Grand Cinema will be showing Grand Miss World, tickets online, partnered with UW-T, SIRGE programming with transportation from Diversions
• Symphony Orchestra concert tomorrow night
• Happy thanksgiving! Have a great week!
• Tomorrow at 5pm, Tahoma Room Trans Day Remembrance Candlelight Vigil to support the trans community on campus
• Next week, Senator Chong’s radio show will discuss imperialism and colonialism with Thanksgiving
• Monday night Nov. 23 6:30pm discussion “No Thanks, No Giving” with different perspectives on thanksgiving
• Adjournment 8:57PM