



SEATTLE CENTRAL COLLEGE

Associated Student Council

Minutes

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February 27, 2023

3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Associated Student Council Members

Long Hei (Ronnie) Kuan**Executive of Administration**
Amara Schermerhorn.....**Executive of Communication**
Jinyang Xia**Executive of Finance**
Aint Myat Hmu Aung (Nikki) Lwin.....**Executive of Issues & Concerns**
Danya Vargas Almejo.....**Executive of Legislative Affairs**
Bemnet Hailu.....**Executive of Student Success**
Heba Saleh**Representative, Health Education Center**
Vacant.....**Representative, Wood Technology Center**
Vacant**Representative, Seattle Maritime Academy**
Vacant.....**ASC Associate of Administration**
Tamara Happy Yap.....**ASC Associate of Finance & Research**

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A. **CALL TO ORDER** (1 min)

Chairperson: Jinyang Xia, *Executive of Finance*

The meeting was called to order at 3:10PM

B. **ROLL CALL** (1 min)

Everybody was present, Gaza was present as the WTC Representative.

C. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS** (1 min)

Miguel from the Seattle Collegian is present as a guest.

D. **LAND USE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** (1 min)

"I acknowledge the land on which we stand today as the traditional home of the Coast Salish people, the traditional home of all tribes and bands within the Duwamish, Suquamish, Tulalip, and Muckleshoot nations. Without them, we would not have access to this gathering and to this dialogue. I ask that we take this opportunity to thank the original caretakers of this land who are still here."

E. **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** (5 min)

There was no public comment.

F. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** (2 min)

Approval of minutes from Feb. 13, 2023, Associated Student Council meeting.

G. **OLD BUSINESS** (1 min)

Ronnie moved to approve the minutes and Danya seconded it, the motion passed.

H. NEW BUSINESS (25 min)

1. **Seattle Collegian Overview & Update**– Seattle Collegian Representative, *Seattle Collegian* (15 min)

They are currently running on a skeleton crew, their staff is around 7 people who work regularly, not including guest writers. Their goal is to publish one article a day and they are still looking for a graphic designer and content designer.

Nikki asked for clarification about student employees at the newspaper, Miguel said they are always welcoming to student writers. They prefer editors to have experience, but writers of all skill levels are welcome, no prior experience is required.

Jinyang asks what Miguel's favorite article on the Collegian is so far, his favorite article is an article about transparency about school budgeting.

Ronnie requested the Seattle Collegian to send someone who can join the Communications Committee.

2. **Student Union Building Visit Update** – Ronnie Kuan, *Executive of Administration* (5 min)

The ASC visited Shoreline and Green River college student buildings for insight into the Student Union Building.

They were able to speak with the Dean of Student Development at the Green River Campus and the dean may attend the next ASC meeting.

Danya mentioned that visiting Shoreline gave more perspective about what a modern student union building looks like. Tamara appreciates how they advertise student events around the building via posters. Shoreline used sandwich boards to advertise as well, and the EDIC office is conveniently located in the student union building.

Jinyang noticed that the Shoreline campus is very spread out, so the Student Union building is a good place for students to meet away from classes.

Ricardo gave a note about student gathering spaces compared to classroom capacity and SCC is currently at a deficit communal-wise. He was surprised by how many students at Green River were engaged in the space.

Miguel asked about an update about the bookstore's new location and something about the cafeteria. Bradley Lane mentioned hiring a reliable vendor for the school cafeteria.

Jinyang mentioned that upcoming student leaders and faculty will be responsible for these topics given time and resources. He mentioned the grab and go food station in Shoreline. The goal this year is just to get approval from the student building. Voting will be next quarter. He mentioned the Student Union Building is an open meeting and people are free to attend and ask questions.

3. **Ratification of Wood Technology Center Representative** – Ronnie Kuan, *Executive of Administration* (5 min)
Gaza introduced themselves, as they will be the new WTC representative in place of Hunter. All voted in favor, and they were ratified.

I. **COMMITTEE REPORTS** (10 min: updates on committee work/projects/discussions)

1. Communications Committee | Thursdays 2:00 – 3:00pm
The committee is still working on materials for the mascot naming campaign.
2. Issues and Concerns Committee | Wednesdays 2:00 – 3:00pm
Nikki touched base with facilities about stocking the menstrual products and she will have to meet with Kano and EDIC about finding someone who is not a student to refill them.
3. Services and Activities Fee Committee | Fridays 2:00 – 3:00pm
They had appeals meetings and deliberated. No directors appealed their rewards.
4. Student Success Committee | Tuesdays 1:00 – 2:00pm
Still working on the President’s Medal, marketing, and posters, and is working with Dennis to complete the application form.
5. Student Advocacy Committee | Tuesdays 3:00 – 4:00pm
They have their first Bylaws review meeting tomorrow. They aim to wrap things up by the end of Winter quarter, preferably before Mach12th. The meeting is open to all students, and it is all in person.
6. Student Union Building Committee | Wednesdays 1:00 – 2:00pm
They finished the website draft, and they have some information to find. They are now working on the timeline for the voting campaign, such as whether they will require ID etc.

J. **INDIVIDUAL REPORT** (10 mins) other committee updates, interactions with students,

administrator meetings, other reports. Etc.)

1. Aint Myat Hmu Aung (Nikki) Lwin
Nothing to report.
2. Amara Schermerhorn
Nothing to report.
3. Bemnet Hailu
Nothing to report.
4. Danya Vargas Almejo
Nothing to report.

5. Heba Saleh
The Respiratory Club will meet next week, they cannot access the club funds, so they are going to try their best to cover the costs.
6. Gaza
WTC cannot be a student council, but they can apply for club status to keep the structure. Thursday is the potluck. They are working on making merch including hoodies etc., to give out to WTC students. They are figuring out who will run the tool crib. They are still discussing who will have access to the door. They held a submission for logos and got 3 logos, they are leaning toward a saw blade logo.

Gaza brought up a question about S&A funding for WTC and Ricardo recommends them to confirm their total budget. Gaza understands they had about 12k and says they are shocked about the reduction to 4k. WTC is an expensive program, and she has spent over 2k on just materials, not including books, so they ask if the budget is still open to appeal.

Jinyang clarifies that the appeal deadline has passed. Ricardo mentions the WTC has not used the budget much in the past, which may have contributed to the decision. From now on, the S&A committee will request a report from director that breaks down how costs are being used

7. Jinyang Xia
He visited the WTC's student council recently and would like to schedule a campus visit to the Health Education Center as well.
8. Long Hei (Ronnie) Kuan
He will meet with President Lane next Monday.
9. Tamara Happy Yap
Nothing to report.
10. Ricardo Leyva-Puebla
Regarding the ongoing faculty hiring, certain director positions are being completed and paperwork is being filled out.

K. **ADJOURNMENT**