



# SEATTLE CENTRAL COLLEGE

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Associated Student Council

## **Minutes**

March 06, 2023  
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

**ASC CONFERENCE ROOM 362**  
**STUDENT LEADERSHIP BUILDING**  
**1701 BROADWAY**

**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  
Bennet Hailu.....Executive of Student Success  
Heba Saleh .....Representative, Health Education Center  
Gaza Miller.....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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# Minutes

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

Chairperson: Ronnie Kuan, *Executive of Administration*  
The meeting was called to order at 3:04PM

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

Everyone was present.

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

*Guests: Please Unmute to introduce yourself (name, role)*

Emily Thurston, Annabelle, Scholarship Director, Jocelyn, Scholarship Manager were all present as guests from the Seattle Colleges Foundation.

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)

The minutes from Feb 27 were approved.

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

H. **NEW BUSINESS** (60 min)

1. **Green River College Student Union Building Overview** -- Dani Crivello-Chang, *Dean of Campus Life* (20 min)

An overview was given of the development of the Green River College Student Union Building project which began in 2005. Funding was the first hurdle of the process. They wanted to create a space that would encourage students to be themselves. They created a 3D model for focus groups and early meetings. Students were involved in the earlier stages of the process, wanting to gather information about what a student union building could be.

20% of the student body voted and 90% agreed to pay a fee for the Student Union building. The building was 32 million dollars and the sq ft is 64,000. More funding came from the international program and the school bookstores, along with other supporting funding from various sources.

2. **Seattle Colleges Foundation Introduction**– Emily Thurston, *Associate Director of Alumni Relations and Communications* (20 min)

An overview was given of ways the ASC can get involved with the Foundation, including a few options about private funding solutions regarding the building. The foundation can assure a campaign is well supported by private donors including gifts etc. The Foundation primarily raises dollars for student projects including Equity Can't Wait as they want companies to understand the impact community colleges make. The Foundation can support a Student Union Building campaign by brainstorming companies that may be interested in getting involved. There was further discussion about how Seattle Central alumni may want to give back in the form of private donations.

3. **Seattle Colleges Budget Deadline Update** – Angel Nelson, *Executive Assistant of the VP of Finance and Administration* (10 min)

There was discussion regarding the process of compiling the relevant information and distributing said information sometime this week. The first read may occur this Thursday, depending on the timing. The vote on the student piece must happen by mid-April. There will be a fee forum where they will hold an informational session for questions. Approval of budget will happen in early June; the following week will involve entering the budget changes.

4. **Approval of 2023-24 S&A Budget Allocation** – Jinyang Xia, *Executive of Finance* (10 min)

A motion was made to approve the budget allocation, the motion was seconded, and carried.

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

1. Communications Committee | Thursdays 2:00 – 3:00pm  
Mascot naming campaign will be advertised at the Unity Fair and voting will occur at the beginning of Spring Quarter.
2. Issues and Concerns Committee | Wednesdays 2:00 – 3:00pm  
There will be a meeting with VP Cal tomorrow.
3. Services and Activities Fee Committee | Fridays 2:00 – 3:00pm  
This Friday is the S&A committee's last meeting for the quarter. They will present the forecasted S&A committee collection. They plan to start the discussion of how to respond to the forecast

4. Student Success Committee | Tuesdays 1:00 – 2:00pm  
The flyer for the President's Medal has been requested, and the committee is working on extending the submission period.
5. Student Advocacy Committee | Tuesdays 3:00 – 4:00pm  
They had the first two meetings regarding the bylaws, and they got though 1/3 of the constitution, the next meeting is tomorrow.
6. Student Union Building Committee | Wednesdays 1:00 – 2:00pm  
This week they are editing the website, including photos. They will begin planning an info session for students and creating a campaign for voting.

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  
ASC booklet will be done next week
3. Bemnet Hailu  
Nothing to report
4. Danya Vargas Almejo  
Nothing to report
5. Gaza Miller  
They discussed remote campus activities
6. Heba Saleh  
Club meeting next week to fund scrub embroidery
7. Jinyang Xia  
An advisor in the international department has quit and students have been encouraged to apply for classes at North Seattle College
8. Long Hei (Ronnie) Kuan  
He requested that we fill out individual reports for his meeting with the President next week.
9. Tamara Happy Yap  
Nothing to report
10. Ricardo Leyva-Puebla  
Nothing to report

K. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was called to an end at 4:42pm.