

Senate Meeting Minutes

Date: October 30, 2024 Time: 12:30PM

Location: University YMCA Student Center, Rm 304 Virtual: youtube.com/@ASUWT

I. CALL TO ORDER

Speaker Mujica calls the meeting to order at 12:34PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Speaker/SIAS Senator Enmanuel Mujica Present Education Senator Noemi Duncan Present

Graduate Senator VACANT

Milgard Business Senator Kevin NguyenPresentNursing & Healthcare Leadership Senator Amber ChaPresent

Pre-Major Senator Husneha Ghafoori Absent/Excused

Engineering & Technology (SET) Senator Eamon Challinor Present Social Work & Criminal Justice Senator Juane Randall Present Urban Studies Senator Hugo Ennis Present

Advisor Norah Duncan Absent/Excused

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Senator Cha motions to approve; Senator Challinor seconds.

7-0-0 - Motion Passes

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

No minutes this week

V. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

Speaker Mujica welcomes all members of the public present at the meeting.

1 member of the public was in attendance, identifying themselves UW student Isaac Olson.

Mr. Olson is a student at UW Seattle campus. He proposes a resolution to divest in business that support genocide in Palestine. There is a similar proposal under consideration by ASUW. He shared that the UW Board of Regents has stated they will not consider divest meant without resolutions from all three campuses. All applauded.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There is no unfinished business.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

ASUWT 2024-2025 legislative agenda: the senators discussed the agenda with ASUWT Director of Legislative Affairs Ben Brown.

Senator Cha motions to approve; Senator Randall seconds.

7-0-0 - Motion Passes

Proposal to consider the pursuit of the resolution for the investment from morally reprehensive companies: The senators discussed how they would like to approach the topic of divestment from morally reprehensible companies. They would like to collect student opinions so they can best represent the student body. They also have heard concerns from students and faculty about having their name listed in association with this subject because of possible repercussions later.

Senator Duncan motions to amend the resolution for divestment from morally reprehensible companies to be a proposal to make an outreach plan for gathering student opinions on the resolution for divestment. Senator Challinor seconds.

7-0-0 - Motion Passes

VIII.DIRECTOR UPDATES

Senator Cha shared that she is on the academic committee for the School of Nursing & Healthcare Leadership (SNHCL). On Tuesday she met with the SNHCL academic committee and discussed revising a few courses in the program. She also pitched the idea of changing the mission statement just a bit more so it can align more with our current values today.

Senator Duncan shared that she is also waiting for survey results. When she has them, look through them and she has a meeting with Dean Endo next Friday.

Senator Randall shared he's gone to my Criminal Justice League (RSO) meetings and we've had some really great presenters. Last week, an organization of formerly incarcerated people who are working in the community to divert youth from the prison system and stop recidivism. Yesterday, they had the detective who solved the Green River Murders. Senator Randall met with Professor Andrea Hill to discuss the possibility of having some people the Black Prisoners Caucus speaking here UWT, not just for Criminal Justice League. They also would like to hold a screening of the because they have a film attached to their organization and it's really actually intrinsically tied to Tacoma and the Hilltop community. He and Professor Hill will be speaking with Dean Miller and Chancellor Edwards Lange to plan further.

Senator Challinor shared that he will be meeting with Dean Katti after Winter Break.

Senator Nguyen shared that he will be meeting with Dean Merchant after Winter Break.

Speaker Mujica shared that he will be attending the upcoming School of Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences (SIAS) advisory meeting and discussing internship opportunities and discussing what different majors need. He's hoping he will be able to bring information from the surveys so they can target specific areas within the IAS school.

IX. ADVISOR UPDATES

No advisor updates.

X. CHAIR UPDATES

Speaker Mujica shared that the survey results will be sent to senators next week.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Senator Cha motions to adjourn the meeting; Senator Randall seconds.

7-0-0 - Motion Passes

Speaker Mujica adjourns the meeting at 1:26PM.