

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Date: February 13, 2025 Time: 12:00PM

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

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Wetzel calls the meeting to order at 12:23PM.

II. ROLL CALL

ASUWT President Holly Wetzel	Present
ASUWT Vice President Moira Kelley	Present
Director of Internal Affairs Norah Duncan	Present
Director of Outreach Merriah Kubista	Present
Director of Legislative Affairs Ben Brown	Present
Director of Finance Alicia Whitten	Present
Director of Student Technology Susan Palmer	Present

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Director Whitten motions to approve; Director Kubista seconds.

6-0-0 - Motion Passes

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice President Kelley motions to approve; Director Brown seconds.

6-0-0 - Motion Passes

V. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

President Wetzel welcomes all members of the public present at the meeting.

2 members of the public, identifying themselves as ASUWT Advisor Conor Leary and Astacia Carter.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There is no unfinished business.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Director Palmer presented the 2025 Fiscal Year Student Technology Fee Committee (STFC) Special Allocations. She informed the board that 2 proposals were rejected, and one was amended because they received funding from another source.

Director Brown motions to approve; Director Whitten seconds.

6-0-0 - Motion Passes

VIII.DIRECTOR UPDATES

Director Whitten shared that she has updated the hourly tracking forms for the Executive board, Senate and hourly employees.

Director Brown shared that the legislative affairs department is moving the income threshold for the Washington College Grant increased from 55% of the median family income (MFI) to 70% MFI to include more students. The proposal has been made into Senate Bill (SB) 5402. Now, the Senate Ways & Means is refusing to hear it until the threshold is moved to 65%.

- The 2024-2025 Washington MFI chart is available at https://wsac.wa.gov/sites/default/files/2024-25%20WCG-A%20MFI%20and%20Award%20Chart.pdf
- Select "Send a comment on this bill to your legislators" in the right hand column https://app.leg.wa.gov/billsummary?BillNumber=5402&Year=2025&Initiative=false

Director Duncan shared that there are 3 Senate potions vacant: School of Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences (SIAS), School of Social Work & Criminal Justice (SWCJ), and School of Nursing & Healthcare Leadership (SNHCL). They are posted on Handshake https://tacomauw.joinhandshake.com/e/379417/jobs. We are also hiring for a multimedia specialist for Spring quarter and an admin for Student Technology Fee Committee (STFC). She asks that the board continue to encourage people to apply for these openings.

IX. ADVISOR UPDATES

Advisor Leary shared that 2025-2026 ASUWT elections candidate packets are available now. Elections administrator, Melissa López-Barbosa will be reviewing packets and determining eligibility beginning 2/17. Deadline for submission is 3/7. OSCARs (Outstanding Student Ceremony for Awards and Recognition) nominations

are open through 4/7. More info available at <u>tacoma.uw.edu/involvement/Oscars</u>. Students and staff will receive an email with information on Monday.

He also notified the board that the Board of Regents meeting to discuss fee changes has been moved up to 5/8 from 6/13. This is when committees and departments present their plans for their fees for the coming school year. This mainly affects STFC.

X. CHAIR UPDATES

President Wetzel is preparing the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for a student legislative fee that is the next step after the ASUWT Senate writes a resolution stating that students want a legislative fee Once the Senate votes on divestment, she will be presenting the resolution for discussion.

She and Vice President Kelley are working on the proposed changed to Executive Board and Senate job descriptions per their presentation on 1/23.

She also asked select members of the board to schedule a time to meet with her or Vice President Kelley to discuss changes to their position descriptions as soon as possible so it can be added into changes to be made to the ASUWT Constitution and Bylaws. Holly and Moira plan to formally propose the Constitution and Bylaw changes to Directors after changes have been finalized and to the Senate after they have completed voting on the divestment resolution If passed by the Executive Board and ASUWT Senate, it will then go to the elections administrator to be added to the ballot in May.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Director Brown motions to adjourn the meeting; Director Kubista seconds.

6-0-0 - Motion Passes

President Wetzel adjourns the meeting at 12:48PM.