

ASUW Student Senate Steering
January 28, 2005
Minutes

Respectfully submitted by Senate Secretary Alex Kim

Call to order at 2:35 pm.

Roll Call

Aiko Akers
Chris Barrows – proxied by Sheridan Gray
Nick Dayton
Mae Diligencia
Alex Kim
Kelsey Knowles – proxied by Rachel Flynn
Steve Kushnir – proxied by Ryan Mattson
Jon Lee
Mike Leichner
Joel Murray
Garrett Parks - late
Rene Singleton - absent
Karl Smith
Zach Tobin

Chair's Report

Chair **Zach Tobin** wanted to make sure that the committee was okay with extending the time for the legislation R-11-9 in regards to parking during Finals Week.

Nick Dayton added that he would like an extension on the legislation R-11-8 in regards to medicines for third world nations.

Secretary **Alex Kim** added that he would like his legislation R-11-10 concerning gay marriage to also be extended.

Zach reminded committee chairs that he expected them to independently request extensions for all pieces of legislation that had been referred to their committees.

The committee acceded to extending the resolutions.

Zach added that he is in support of 25-minute committee meetings for the coming week. He also said that he would like Senate to hold longer meetings in order to complete its business. He wants to prepare senators for the possibility of longer meetings.

Officers' Reports

Vice-Chair **Karl Smith** reported that he has standardized the appearance of co-sponsors on legislation in accordance with the bylaws. We will be posting examples of properly formatted co-sponsor lists online. The Power Struggle is coming up he is in talks with VP Andy O'Connell: they've added a basketball game and a tie-breaker of ASUW trivia. He will send out an e-mail with more information. Additionally, he has been writing to anyone who has a title at the UW to request that they address the Senate. He is continuing to work on bringing in Dean Bridges and VP Morris. Also, he's working on getting Provost David Thorud to speak to the proposed bioterrorism facility.

Membership Coordinator **Jon Lee** reported that "we've got new people" and that the databases are pretty much all caught up. He asked chairs to double-check information in the attendance sheets and get revisions to him as soon as possible. **Aiko Akers** asked if anyone has been kicked off of Senate due to unexcused absences, and Jon replied that is had happened indeed.

Secretary **Alex Kim** said he completed a roll call report from Tuesday's meeting. **Nick Dayton** asked if we could get online committee names corrected to what they actually are now. **Alex** said he'd work on it.

Legislative Referral

R-11-16: Resolution in Support of Student Involvement in Lobby Day

Zach suggested that the legislation go to Faculty and Administrative Affairs (FAA).

Mike Leichner proposed that it go to Publicity and Outreach instead because it concerned an important matter for the Senate to publicize.

Jon Lee moved to refer R-11-16 to Publicity and Outreach. *Seconded.*
The motion passed.

R-11-17: A Resolution in Support of the American Cancer Society Relay for Life at UW

Mike wondered if Publicity and Outreach Committee would take both pieces of legislation.

Jon moved to refer R-11-17 to Publicity and Outreach. *Seconded.*
The motion passed.

R-11-18: A Resolution Supporting the Construction of a Safe and Secure Biological Research Building

Jon moved to refer R-11-18 to Membership. *There was no second.*

Zach suggested it be referred to FAA.

*So moved, seconded.
The motion passed.*

R-11-19: A Resolution in Support of the Continued Operation of Rainy Dawg Radio

***Nick** moved to refer R-11-19 to Campus Affairs. Seconded.
The motion passed.*

Approval of the Agenda

Rachel Flynn said she felt like a discussion period for the final member of Team Senate might hurt some people's feelings. **Zach** was of the opinion that no one would be talking negatively about anyone, judging from the tone of the nominations on Tuesday. **Mike** said he didn't want a five minute discussion.

Alex moved to limit Q&A to 5 minutes with 20 seconds per speaker.

Mike moved to amend to make 5 minutes for the entire matter with a 10 second limit per speaker.

Karl said that he'd be in support of 5 minute Q&A plus speeches.

Joel Murray said that we already had a reputation for not being relevant, so it could be bad.

Jon said this was originally about increasing rapport between the board and Senate.

Joel said this was a good idea, but we should do it on our own time, not the Senate's time.

***Mike** moved to close debate. Seconded.
The motion passed.*

The amendment to the amendment passed.

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The motion passed.*

The amendment passed.

Mike moved to strike the GPSS report. Seconded.
The motion passed.

Jon moved to add a flag salute to the beginning of the agenda.
Zach ruled the motion dilatory.

Joel moved to approve the agenda. Seconded.
The agenda was approved.

Approval of Committee Appointments

Mike moved to approve committee appointments. Seconded.
The motion passed.

Approval of the Minutes

Karl moved to approve the minutes as amended. Passed.

Discussion

Garrett Parks said that reporters from the Seattle Times have been requesting a copy of the Senate minutes in regards to the flag salute debate.

Karl moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded
The motion passed.

Zach adjourned the committee at 2:58 pm.