

ASUW Student Senate Steering
February 25, 2005
Minutes

Respectfully submitted by Senate Secretary Alex Kim

Call to order at 2:37 pm.

Roll Call

Aiko Akers
Chris Barrows
Nick Dayton - absent
Mae Diligencia
Alex Kim
Kelsey Knowles
Steve Kushnir – proxied to Angelena Crown, Academic Affairs Vice-Chair
Jon Lee
Mike Leichner
Joel Murray
Garrett Parks
Rene Singleton - absent
Karl Smith
Zach Tobin

Chair's Report

Chair **Zach Tobin** reported that he went to Personnel Committee and it seemed likely that Senate officer salary increases would pass. He also went ahead and reserved Mary Gates Hall Room 389 for the spring to see if the Senate liked it.

Officers' Reports

Vice-Chair **Karl Smith** reported that next quarter would be fun: first we'd start with Regent Gates and Regent Jewell on April 5th, then two weeks later Dean Bridges would speak, and then on May 3, Vice-President Morris.

Angelena Crown asked when Gerald Grinstein's term (as President of the Board of Regents) ended. **Kelsey Knowles** answered that it ended last year.

Membership Coordinator **Jon Lee** reported that he is making new placards for everyone, and he is trying to develop a system for them to be unique.

Secretary **Alex Kim** reported that he had talked to Sean Kellogg (former Senate chair) about renovating the Senate website, and he also said that he is developing a site manual for future secretaries.

Jon added that committee chairs should keep an eye open for placards that did not bear a special dating sticker. **Mike Leichner** said he didn't understand this request considering that he usually was able to keep track anyway.

Legislative Referral

R-11-26: A Resolution in Support of Military Recruiters on Campus

Zach said the legislation should probably go to Campus Affairs.

So moved, seconded.

The motion passed.

R-11-27: A Resolution Reaffirming Academic Freedom

Alex presented his legislation to the committee.

Joel Murray said it should probably go to Faculty and Administrative Affairs (FAA).

Mike asked for more of the background of the legislation. **Alex** said that this was in light of reprisals against Professor Ward Churchill of the University of Colorado who had compared those in the World Trade Center at the time of the September 11 attacks to Nazis in order to point out that Americans should not be surprised that the attacks occurred.

Alex said he thought this should go to General Affairs.

Karl moved to refer the resolution to FAA. *Seconded.*

The motion passed.

OA-11-6: An Organic Act Requiring the Display of the Washington State Flag During All Senate Meetings

Jon moved to refer both OA-11-6 and OA-11-7 to Steering Committee immediately. *Seconded.*

The motion passed. The Steering Committee proceeded to consider OA-11-6 and OA-11-7.

Mike Leichner moved to table to OA-11-6 and OA-11-7 indefinitely. *Seconded.*

He said he would like to keep the flags there, but didn't think we needed to pass legislation to do it.

Alex Kim moved to close debate. *Seconded. The motion passed.*
The motion passed.

Approval of the Agenda

Karl moved to strike the GPSS Report. *Seconded. The motion passed.*

Kelsey moved to approve the agenda. *Seconded. The motion passed.*

Approval of Committee Appointments

Zach entertained a motion to approve his appointments.

So moved, seconded. The motion passed.

Approval of the Minutes

Zach entertained a motion to approve the minutes.

So moved, seconded. The motion passed.

Discussion Items

Garrett Parks asked what would happen if no one was back to start the Senate after Lobby Day. **Zach** said that Alex would do it since he wasn't going to Olympia.

Mike moved to extend committee debate on R-11-22. *Seconded.*

The motion passed.

Chris Barrows asked if it was possible to get the senate room an hour early to meet with commuter senators.

The meeting was adjourned.