ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY
Senate Meeting Agenda
Thursday, February 23 • 8:30 p.m. • Ford 102

1. Call to Order
   Meeting called to order at 8:35pm

2. Roll Call (Clerk Carstens)

3. Approval of the Agenda
   Motion to approve the agenda
   Clay/Gotreaux
   Approved

4. Approval of the Minutes
   Motion to approve the minutes
   Troesken/Pham
   Approved

5. External Programs Reports (President Gill)
   P. Gill: N/A

6. Officer Reports
   6.1. President Gill
       P. Gill: N/A
   6.2. Treasurer Morita
       T. Morita: Club approval met on Wednesday. We put some things aside, but there is still some money that we need to gather. We just need to check on things that we have paid for.
   6.3. VP Kittelson
       VP Kittelson: I sent you an email the other night about checking in for senate projects. I want to see how things are going. I want to make sure that we are being held accountable. If you want to sign up for an appointment, let me know.

7. Judicial Report (Chief Justice Henderson)
   CJ Henderson: N/A

8. Senate Reports
   8.1. Senator Mackey
       Mackey: Hi guys. My senate project this semester is to get some of the admins to come to the bistro and hang out. I need a lot of PR. It needs to be a casual thing. Maybe even
PJs with administrators. That sounds weird to me too. I’m looking for people to post to the class pages, and to get a little more help.

Siqueros: This is really similar to my senate project, and I was wondering if you would want to coordinate with me?

9. Old Business
   9.1. Spring Round One
   VP Kittelson: So here are some of the changes that were made. Any questions?
   Motion to discuss
   Troesken/Lyons
   Approved

Troesken: So the budget in it’s current state, we shouldn’t approve. We need $3000 more. We need to have a conversation about where we are spending too much money.

T. Morita: even if we can’t cut $3000 from the budget, we still have other places that we should look.

VP Kittelson: So this shouldn’t be happening. We need to figure out a way to make this more sustainable. We are going to have a lot less student fees to be allocating.

Troesken: we should talk about raising student fees

Mackey: I’m going to say no. Just cuz I said no doesn’t mean that I don’t have any other say.

Carlin: To clarify things, on tuition and raising student fees, we are talking about $5, which would give us about $10000 more dollars on our ability to fund things.

Steffy: I’m gonna put my admissions polo on for a second. We don’t know what next year's class is going to look like. We are currently ahead on deposits.

Bormann: I think it might be necessary to come up with a percentage cap on our overall budget. I think that it would be pertinent to come up with some sort of number that we can cap spending at.

Wellman: But then they will say that they will go up to that cap.

Bormann: Well right now there is no regulation, so we can find this place to start.

Pekich: So I think the Outdoor program is the one reaching this cap. We need them to be and EPC so that we can have a regular ongoing dialogue, because that is the club to reach that cap.
Wellman: I think these are great ideas. Let’s direct our immediate conversation on to if we pass this budget.

Bormann: Correct me if I’m wrong, but didn’t we pass something that we would be breaching precedence if we pass this as is?

T. Morita: We have money, we want to get more money, before we don’t have any money, so technically no.

Carlin: We also passed a maximum for the CRP, but we are currently above it anyways.

Siqueros: I feel like it is better safe than sorry. I think it would be better to ask students to carry a bit more weight this round, rather than this round.

Wellman: I don’t think we should punish clubs for following precedence. Let’s just make sure that before fall we can try to prevent these kinds of situations.

Pekich: So for context, this semester we aren’t being extravagant, our external programs are taking a huge budget cut for us. Any more money that we cut from the under 1500 are going to deeply and personally offend many clubs. It’s a larger group, and deeply personal that will affect many more people than other cuts. Especially when you count the collegiate Readership funds, the class councils, I think that we will be covered this year, without cutting into the 1500 part of the budget.

Gordon: I would like to ask Finance Board, or a new taskforce to re-examine the precedents we have, and to come up with a way that will be fair to everybody.

VP Kittelson: If you’re interested in that then email exec and we can work on setting that up.

Uphoff: So what are our motions tonight?

VP Kittelson: Cutting from clubs, which is what senate was invited to earlier this week, approving as is. I would suggest not tabling it because we are already a week behind.

Troesken: I think a safe route to go would be wait another week and talk to club presidents.

**Motion to approve budget with 10,000 left over**

Wellman/Lund

**Discussion:**

Mackey: If we cut admissions fees from the Outdoor Program, that would give us $3000 more dollars, which would figure out this whole situation.

Uphoff: I think we need to stick to the precedents we have. I think we should vote yes, and deal with precedents.
T. Morita: Our precedent is that we don’t fund admissions fees at all.

Troesken: I think that they would understand we are in a different situation.

Pekich: Have we talked to the OP?

T. Morita: Liz did. They have 10,000 to fund whatever gets cut from this budget.

Pekich: I don’t know if right now is the time to test our relationship, but to keep in mind we have the CRF, and Class Councils, and a 6000 roll over from the Collegian. We should vote right now.

**Motion to approve budget with finance boards recommended allocation**

Wellman/Lund

15/5/0

Approved

VP Kittelson: So that motion passes. I will remind you that we have almost 11,000 dollars for the next two rounds, and we do have other places to pull from. We really need to focus on next years.

Wellman: Will clubs be notified of our situation?

T. Morita: Yes, and I sent them an email two weeks ago, and to get back to me if they were requesting funds in the future. I will email them this update.

10. New Business

11. For the Good of the Order

   Clay: Tomorrow from 12:30-1:30 I am having a senate project meeting in the Bistro. If you are interested please come.

   Dausmann: I think we should all sing happy birthday to Bri.

   *Senate sings happy birthday to Bri*

   **Motion to adjourn**

   Clay/Pham

   Approved

12. Adjournment

   **Meeting adjourned at 9:01pm**