

# Council of Unions and Student Programs Business Meeting Minutes

Friday, October 19, 2018  
Everett College  
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

## 9:00 am Business Meeting

**CUSP Membership:** In attendance: Dan Scheuler Olympic, Kunbi Ajiboye Whatcom, Cameron Cox Pierce Ft. Steilacoom, Sonja Morgan TCC, Robert Lane SPSCC, Jessica Wallack CPTC, Story Gilmore CPTC, Leah Eberle Skagit, Sami Lelo Clark, Dan Fergusson GRC, Shelley Bannish Centralia, Brian Murphy Skagit, Melisa Nelson BTC, Wayne Anthony Edmonds, Brittany Padgett EVCC, Lindsay Hudson EVCC, Heidi Farani Whatcom, Richele Bair EVCC, Jennifer Rhodes EVCC, Christine Vasquez EVCC, Rick Ross Peninsula, Sheila Walton LW Tech, Becky Riopel Cascadia, Aaron Tuttle GHC, GG Flint LW Tech, Juliette Kern Bates, Paz Clearwater Lower Columbia

- **WSSSC Representative:** Erin Blakeney
- **State Board Representative:** Edward Esparza

### 1. Amendments to the agenda

- a. None.
- b. Approval of the agenda.

### 2. Approval of minutes from Spring Quarter 2018 meeting

- a. Corrections? None.
- b. Approval of minutes

### 3. Nominations for Secretary?

- a. Story Gilmore
  - i. Moved and Seconded; Approved.

### 4. President Elect:

- a. Nominations: Aaron Tuttle, Monica Lundberg, Vince Ru
  - i. Voting by secret ballot
  - ii. Aaron Tuttle is the President Elect

### 5. Discussion

- a. Student Leadership Conference
  - i. Full report coming out from Dennis on the List Serve.
  - ii. Olympia 2.0 is over; thank you to all involved
  - iii. 443 registrants: 394 students, 79 Advisors
  - iv. 131 preconference registrants: 15 Roberts rules,
  - v. Feedback: 19 pages to hand off to the next group; food was not the best, negative feedback on the food inclusivity concerns and considerations are something to spend more time around

moving forward. 15 minute transition times between sessions were not enough for the pacing of the day. More breaks overall. More time in Cohorts.

vi. MSSDC Zero Tolerance

1. Juliette from Bates would like to formally request the adoption of the Conference Conduct Policy to help standardize expectations of students involved in the conference because her college policy does not outlaw the use of alcohol and controlled substances while in travel status associated with school.
2. Looking to add this conversation to the official agenda for the winter meeting.
3. Ed Esparza offered to send documentation to the committee for consideration in creating and adopting policy.

vii. Advisor Contact

1. Official ask for shared contact information between advisors on site to respond to emergency needs. Looking into different forms of communication tools like: group-me, slack, messenger, etc.

viii. Size

1. Are we too big? Have we reached capacity for what we are capable of at this level?
2. MSSDC model?
  - a. They have a capacity for their conference, but its larger than what we do-thought to be at 1,000.
  - b. Edward Esparza shared that the planning committee for the Students of Color Conference is looking to expand the conference to the four-year system.
    - i. Some CUSP schools have reservations about opening to the four-year system due to the integrity of the conference intentions and relevance for our CTC students

ix. Keynotes & Ed-Sessions

1. Becky from Cascadia brought forward concerns of how we are staffing the Student Leadership Conference in terms of ed-session facilitators and presenters. The task is falling to CUSP membership advisors who are also involved in putting the conference on and it is squeezing the involved members too much. Is this a sustainable practice/model? What has the practice been historically and where do we want it to go?
  - a. Session presenters were paid in the past. The cost of key notes has elevated to a level that prohibits payment because the budget constraints
  - b. The Executive team previously managed all of the process, but it became too large.
  - c. We used to offer four session that all students rotated through: each presenter would do their presentation multiple times. This was also a time when the leadership identified the ed session scope and outcomes, then sought out presenters that could and did speak to those specific things.
  - d. Moving forward, there needs to be awareness, conversation and full communication of sizing capacity needs and expectations for the presenters to have in mind when crafting their sessions and activities.

2. Relevance and impact

- a. Decreasing the number of keynotes can open funds to potentially offer a stipend to encourage more people getting involved in offering sessions
- b. 2<sup>nd</sup> year students and interns could be encouraged co-present or facilitate discussion topics or ed-sessions
- c. Cost- Cost to impact analysis
- d. Bite the bullet people- presenting is easy... just do it
- e. Reaching outside of the CUSP group- considering geographic location of conference and networks in the area
- f. Reaching out to Grad programs for students to facilitate workshops and sessions (what does this look like for accommodating them?)

b. Big Survey

- i. Reporting by Sheila on behalf of Cal: This project began 729 Days to collect a state-wide summary of how S&A funds are collected and used. 18% completion rate at this time. At the end of fall quarter we will circulate the data collection for the 17-18 cycle. Hoping to make this static so we can add to it year, to year.

6. Reports

a. WSSSC Report: Erin Blakeney

This year, there is a co-liaison to CUSP, Sue Orchard. The work plan for the year has been sent the CUSP list serve so that all of us have access to the agenda their council will be working on this year. The big project to look at is the 'Adult Reengagement Project' to bring individuals with some college credits back to our campuses to make sure that our communities are thriving and we are intentionally reaching out to those students. Bruce Marvin from the State Attorney General's office is speaking

b. State Board: Edward Esparza

Prepping to go into the legislative session this year, the student voice will be very important. We have a new Deputy Director, Carli Schiffner. She will be engaging with many of the student focused councils. Budget conversations will be directed at competitive compensation of educators to stop losing faculty and staff to the K12 system. As a state, there is a focus on recognizing the need to compensate the staff in the CTC system.

Guided pathways is on the radar and is a topic of concern and consideration for how it impacts the work that is done at the state board level.

Investment in trainings for ensuring work-force-readiness for the students going back into the work force specifically focused on Worker Retraining programs.

Capital Projects budgets

Food Sustainability issues: Conference November 1- Marriott SeaTac conference. Registration deadline is 10/25. Email to CUSP from Edward regarding this conference.

Veterans council was approved by WSSSC. They need to create their by-laws. Rueben Flores will be the Liaison between the State Board.

Working with WACTSA to move forward with their 2019 Legislative Agenda with focus on their identified action items. This will kick off for the year at the Legislative Academy in Olympia November 16-17<sup>th</sup>.

Rueben will also be working with the students on text-book affordability.

Interested and concerned about how the CUSP council moves forward selecting professionals we bring in for Professional Development opportunities.

Monica Lundberg has agreed to help, collaborate, and work with the State Board to move forward the Food Security sustainability concerns.

Please be sure that you are all making note of the date for **Advocacy Day January 24<sup>th</sup>** and are bringing your students and getting engaged in the work around policy.

Trainings around Dreamers are scheduled and spread around the State, be aware of these opportunities to get engaged and help our students. At the CTC level we have higher rates of Dreamers in our colleges and we have an opportunity to take advantage of all the great work being done in the CTC systems and spilling into the four-year systems. Bates Technical College is hosting one on **November 30<sup>th</sup>** in Tacoma.

**c. Treasurer**

- i. We are good in budgets
- ii. There is a list of shame being circulated for outstanding bills
- iii. Outstanding bill for the costs associated with the Governor's involvement in the SLC and CUSP will be moving that to the State Board level
- iv. Moving forward with conference registrations, we are looking for ways to streamline the process and come up with a way to collect payment at the time of registration with something like Event Brite

**d. President**

- i. Yearly work plan:

Implementation of CUSP Leadership Conference Relocation- this is a carry forward item as we have been discussing our size needs for our conference site and we will be moving back to Wenatchee. The constitution and by-laws have been updated thanks to the work continuing that by Shelley Bannish.

Website update will be presented today.

We are continuing to seek out ways to engage member schools who are not actively participating. Shelley will leading the discussions around creating a new-member onboarding/mentoring plan. We will also be looking to begin a CUSP newsletter.

18-19 new priorities: Develop a Mission and Vision Statement for CUSP, Launch the BIG SURVEY, align with Guided Pathways in the work that we do in Student Life and what we do collectively, Student Engagement (a more comprehensive grouping for efforts and opportunities beyond programming), WACTCSA refresh.

Kilian update: Dave Stolier came to our last winter quarter meeting and he completed his incorporation of the feedback he received to present and discuss at the WSSSC today (concurrently with our meeting) so we will be hearing more on these updates and improvements very soon.

Executive Board has presented the desire to hold a summer quarter meeting where we could do some of the planning work around the conference in a collective way. This would not be a professional development meeting, but it would be an opportunity to work through some of the planning and implementing needs for the conferences we put on. More to come.

**c. Committees**

1. Website

Brittney is the real champion of the new website- she did all the work. Executive team will be deciding who manages the website content and owns update responsibilities. Brittney wants to source more photos that will be housed in the website for anyone to access while updating.

## 2. Legislative Committee

### a. Adaptive model of Legislative Engagement

This is a secondary pillar based model for within the Civic Engagement pillar of the larger CUSP structure.

This model is a living document and the Legislative committee wants to collect and respond to feedback.

This is designed to provide more structure and direction for advisor working in legislative capacities with their students and to help them be more aware and engaged with all of the legislative pieces, especially WACTSA

### b. Upcoming zoom meetings: Every Tuesday 10/23- 12/3 (October 23<sup>rd</sup> - December 3<sup>rd</sup>)

### c. Legislative Academy November 16-17, 2018

i. Hotel 10/29/18- Hard Deadline

ii. Registration deadline: 11/9/18

### d. Legislative Advocacy Day January 24, 2019

i. As many students as you want to bring

ii. Changing the model this year to offer a small block of rooms in Olympia on January 23 without additional cost or registration (other than your cost for your hotel)

iv. Scheduled at the same time as the 'Transforming Lives' awards dinner in conjunction with the Trustees Association Meeting

## 3. Student Leadership Conference- 2019

i. Heidi has been actively seeking and engaging membership for the SLC committee and has multiple members seeking the shadow chair position for the upcoming year

ii. Preconference in Pasco- who's in?

iii. Robert's Rules

iv. Webinars instead of physical preconference

v. Zoom meetings for conference planning are coming, be on the lookout

## b) Meeting Adjourned