

Council of Unions and Student Programs Business Meeting Minutes

Friday, May 1, 2020

Zoom

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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CUSP Membership: In attendance: Leah Eberle (Skagit), Brian Murphy (Skagit), Heidi Farani (Whatcom), Carrie Moore (Bellevue), Dr. B (Bellevue), Becky Riopel (Cascadia), Cameron Cox (Pierce), Richele Blair (Everett), Jennifer Rhodes (Everett), Paz Clearwater (Lower Columbia), Chris Eder (Bellingham Tech), Sheila Walton (Lake Washington Tech), Cal Erwin-Svoboda (Clover Park), Story Gilmore (Clover Park), Robert Lane (SPSCC), Juliette Kern (Bates), Richard Arquette (Grays Harbor), Heather McKenzie Waite (SFCC), Rick Ross (Peninsula College) Walter Lutsch (Pierce Ft. Steilacoom), Darci Fielder (Clark), Vince Ruzicka (Whatcom Community College), Shelley Bannish (Centralia), Kunbi Ajiboye (Whatcom), Alice Schlegel (Columbia Basin), Sarah Gruhler & Sami Lelo (Clark College).

- **State Board Representative:** Ha Nguyen

1. Amendments to the agenda

- a. None. Richard Arquette moved to approve, Robert Lane seconded; Motion approved.

2. Approval of minutes from Winter 2020 meeting

- a. Becky Riopel moved to approve with corrections identified, Robert Lane Seconded; Motion approved.

3. Reports

- a. **Stateboard:** Ha shared excitement over the weekly zoom conversations hosted by CUSP that has allowed her to connect with the council and all that we're addressing. COVID-19 Remote Learning Resources and CARES Act is top priority of the Stateboard for allocating support in a way that serves the students in an equitable way. Official and complete report emailed out to the council for entirety.

House Bill 1702- passed. CUSP was essential in getting the student responses to the survey that went out to pass this bill for OER support.

HB {[]} prohibits holding transcripts for debt collection

HB 2551- passed. Tribal regalia is allowed for any ceremonies including graduation.

Train the trainer series...

Senate Bill 7561-Low interest loan program for undocumented students

- b. **WSSSC:** { Seeking notes from Brian here }

c. Officer Reports

- i. Treasurer's report: Full report sent out. Zoom meeting today is saving us money and we are doing just fine.

- ii. Secretary: Zoom Conversations are still going strong and we invite all who can to attend. Conversation hosts are still needed. Reach out if interested.
- iii. President: Seeking permission from the council for money to fund executive officer positions attending meetings on behalf of the council. Requesting \$1000.00 dollars in New Business to vote in fall for these monies to cover the cost of travel and Per Diem.
Executive Board and Conference committee met to discuss the upcoming Leadership Conference. As an Executive Board and Chairs of the committees, we officially recommend that we cancel the conference for many reasons, such as limitations on travel.
Discussion followed.
- iv. Past-President: Shelley Bannish has enjoyed the PP position twice!

d. Committee Reports:

- i. 2020 Student Leadership Conference: Chair Richard Arquette discussed and put forth the possibilities of facilitating a distance virtual conference experience. Also, we could use this time to develop a shared virtual training experience to collaborate and engage with each other through training support for shared leadership training resources. Contract concerns- we are tied to a four (4) year contract with Wenatchee Conference Center (on the hook until 2025). Opening discussion to membership and seeking interaction.
Discussion followed.
- ii. Legislative Committee: Sheila Walton/ Cal Erwin-Svoboda- Voice Academy was cancelled and there have been minimal request to connect with WACTSA, but there is still large and present need to gain student voice. Recommendation to look into the legislative structure of Student Engagement Network that has funding and additional structural support (SEN) – potentially sun setting the WACTSA structure among WA CTC. There are benefits to using the infrastructure that is already created and supported.
Discussion followed.
 - 1. Shelley Bannish moved to cancel the 2020 Student Leadership Conference in Wenatchee per the Executive Board’s recommendation. Heather McKenzie seconded. Motion passes.
- iii. Summer Clubs Drive-In: Dennis Denman wanted to share that Cascadia, Shoreline, Centrailia, Walla Walla, and Seattle... 3-4 hour session to share and discuss best practices and structures for clubs. There will be a survey going out to CUSP and the Clubs professionals as found listed through institutional directories. The planning committee for the clubs drive in will request that all club representatives provide institutional documents that are used for clubs.
July 16th Thursday virtual meeting: approximately three (3) hours. Survey and more information will be going out to CUSP.

4. Action Items:

a. Spring Elections-

- i. President Elect by vote= Story Gilmore
- ii. Secretary by vote= Richele Blair
- iii. Assistant Treasurer by vote= Robert Lane
- iv. Member at large (2 positions)= Heidi Farani and Dan Fergusson

7. Dates to Remember:

A. Spring Meeting at WSSSC| April 29- May 1 at the Hotel Murano in Tacoma

B. Q-Topia | May 8-9, 2020 in Olympia

B. Student Voice Academy | May 15- 16, 2020 at Bellingham Technical College