



Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Date: October 31, 2025

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: University of Washington YMCA, 304

Virtual: youtube.com/@ASUWT

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice President Watkins calls the meeting to order at 9:20 AM.

II. ROLL CALL

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| – ASUWT Vice President Rae Watkins | Present |
| – Director of Internal Affairs Maxwell Kao | TARDY/Zoomed |
| 9:28 arrives in-person | |
| – Director of Outreach Matthew Hankerson | Present |
| – Director of Legislative Affairs Ben Brown | Present |
| – Director of Finance Samuel Peña-Rojas | EXCUSED |
| – Director of Student Technology Amanda Wartick | Present |

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Director Brown motions to approve; Director Hankerson seconds.

4-0-0: motion passes

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Brown motions to approve; Director Hankerson seconds.

4-0-0: motion passes

V. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

Vice President Watkins welcomes all members of the public present at the meeting.

4 Member of the public:

ASUWT Advisor Buddy

ASUWT Advisor Conor

Office Manager Amanda H.

Speaker Bryce Scholten

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- [Motion]: Approval of Meeting Minutes from 06.03 (24-25 Administration)
 - Director Wartick motions to approve, Director Brown seconds

4-0-0: motion passes

- [Discussion]: Mission Statement Potential Changes
 - Director Wartick highlights last year's extensive changes to the statement, recommends not editing it further at this time
- [Motion]: Review and Improve Existing Mission Statement
 - Director Brown motions to table the motion indefinitely, Director Hankerson seconds

4-0-0: motion passes

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- [EXECUTIVE SESSION]: Hiring committee's recommendations / Nomination- (Director of Equity and Accessibility, Director of Graduate Affairs, Director of Undergraduate Affairs)
 - **Executive Session starts at 9:28AM**
 - **Executive Session ends at 9:45AM**
 - [VOTE] Hiring of Director of Equity and Accessibility
 - Director Brown motions to table for next week; Director Kao seconds
- ### **4-0-0: motion passes**
- [VOTE] Hiring of Director of Graduate Affairs
 - Vice President Watkins motions to move forward with hiring Nwagu Aneke, Director Brown seconds
- ### **4-0-0: motion passes**
- [VOTE] Hiring of Director of Undergraduate Affairs
 - Director Brown motions to table for next week; Director Wartick seconds
- ### **4-0-0: motion passes**

- [Discussion] Senate Presentation of 10.21.25 Meeting/Trial
 - Speaker Scholten debriefs the outcomes and techniques used within the 10.21.2025 Trial to remove Elias Feleke from his position as President
 - Complied complaints were presented, including 8 bylaw infractions as well as the delay of Senate business
 - In this process, statements were presented, public comment was available, a summary of complaints was presented, Elias Feleke had 20 minutes to defend himself, followed by 30 minutes of question from the Senate, their deliberation, and Executive Session, and finally a role call vote which resulted in Elias Feleke's removal from office
 - Senate has decided to follow the order of succession; Vice-President Watkins will be interviewed next week to potentially ascend to President, depending on the results, they will proceed with the same process for Vice President and Director of Internal Affairs as needed. Speaker Scholten reminds that even if someone is offered the ascension, they are not required to accept.

- [EXECUTIVE SESSION]: STFC Candidates Review
 - Director Wartick motions to table the STFC candidate Executive Session until next week, seconded by Director Brown.

4-0-0: motion passes

- [VOTE] Hiring of STFC members
 - Director Wartick motions to table the STFC candidate Executive Session until next week, seconded by Director Brown.

4-0-0: motion passes

- [Discussion] Upcoming Meetings: Gaming Club
 - Joe Lawless, Bonnie Becker, Isabella Webb
 - Working together with the Gaming Club has been going well, yesterday's voter engagement meet-up went well
 - A masked man with cameras showed up at the Dawg House yesterday; while this situation was managed, it is noted to other RSOs to have a plan and be aware in case of this sort of thing happening on campus.
 - Advisor Conor mentions that while informational requests are legal, they must go through proper channels; contact him and Buddy and they will pass it along to Joe and Sylvia.
 - Director Brown also recommends avoiding direct confrontation; keep students engaged and safe, and contact an advisor/staff/security as needed

- Joe Lawless: meeting on the 3rd at 10AM and safety walk on the 5th at 5:30PM, please attend if available
- Vice-President Watkins will be meeting with Isabella Webb soon to discuss Winter Warming
- [Discussion] Board of Regents
 - Upcoming event on November 13th from 8AM-1PM
 - ASUWT Directors/Senate: please create a paragraph listing your current progress and projects to share
- [Discussion] Outreach and Networking
 - New fliers are available, please put them up and hand them out to ensure equal dispersion
 - ASUWT is still working to connect with representatives of different organizations
 - WSA relationship is still being fostered, despite the audit we've requested
 - Taskforces are still a work in progress
- [Discussion] External Affairs
 - WSA attendance, Community Partner Outreach, Huskies on the Hill, City Council, Voting engagement
 - WSA: 5 students attending and representing at the conference
 - Partner Outreach: potential student connections and possible future student discount partnerships are being explored
 - Huskies on the Hill: once WSA has past, it will be top priority; keep an eye out for upcoming meetings. Possible weekly schedules to connect with other campus coming up.
 - City Council: City Liaison is attending and providing updates that will come through Director Brown as more information becomes available
 - Voting Engagement: Voting Engagement Hub available on November 5th from 9Am-8PM; please sign up for shifts to be available to support as able

VIII. DIRECTOR UPDATES

- ***Vice President spoke early:***
 - Has connected the Senate with the Emergency Preparedness team
 - Though Director vacancies still exist, potential to receive support from the Senate where needed
 - Voter research session yesterday, Voting Engagement Hub coming up
 - Managing Vice and President affairs, including the campus safety walk, Board of Regents, and a Finance meeting which Director Peña-Rojas will be attending

- Has been streamlining the Teams account folders and tasks
- *Director of Internal Affairs*
 - Hiring for Directors is proceeding, under-graduate and accessibility are still in the works
 - More hiring should be finished next week, with work on the Task Forces following
 - Applications for Senate had some issues regarding which positions still exist
 - Speaker Scholten explains that certain task forces may be switched around a bit
 - There is confusion regarding the IAS positions, as there have been changes in groupings leading to some specific educational focuses being grouped under other senator positions
 - Director Brown notes that an update to the bylaws could be done to clarify these issues
- *Director of Outreach*
 - Provided information during Preview Day
 - Tabled for registration
 - Been creating more posts for social media
 - More forms and fliers have been created about meetings, hopefully attendance will increase
 - WSA contact Rosie reached out to connect with the Diversity Director, which is currently vacant, so Director Hankerson will be assisting her
 - After thanksgiving, townhall will be held; will be talking to students to let them know what ASUWT has been up to recently
- *Director of Legislative Affairs*
 - Pullman this weekend, goal of establishing state legislation agenda
 - Full teams soon
 - Will book Slack meetings on return
 - **Due to a timing constraint, Director Brown is excused at 10:15AM**
- *Director of Finance*
 - Absent/Excused

- *Director of Student Technology*
 - STFC process closes today
 - One student dropped, so they are below quorum; attempting to contact a past candidate to see if they are still interested, if not will move forward with hiring search
 - If you know pre-majors who are interested, please apply!

IX. ADVISOR UPDATES

- Sign up for voter hub shifts
- UWT gives is coming up: toy drive for UWT students who need gifts for family
 - Donations needed of new toys, November 3rd-December 4th
 - Last year, sign-ups exceeded the gifts donated, so this year to avoid a similar situation it will be on a 1st come 1st served basis all day long on December 5th from 10AM-4PM (scheduled pickups will be available, coordination necessary)

X. CHAIR UPDATES

- *Vice President spoke earlier*

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Director Wartick moves to adjourn the meeting; Director Hankerson seconds. Vice President Watkins adjourns the meeting at 10:19 AM.

3-0-0: motion passes