



Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 2/27/2026

Time: 8:30 AM

Location: Cherry Parkes, R.325

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Watkins calls the meeting to order at 8:36 AM.

II. ROLL CALL

<i>ASUWT President Rae Watkins</i>	Present
<i>ASUWT Vice President Maxwell Kao</i>	Present
<i>Director of Internal Affairs</i>	VACANT
<i>Director of Outreach Eon Hu</i>	Absent – EXCUSED
<i>Director of Finance Samuel Peña-Rojas</i>	Present
<i>Director of Student Technology Amanda Wartick</i>	Present
<i>Director of Legislative Affairs Heba Qatrani</i>	Absent- Present at
8:40am	
<i>Director of Graduate Affairs nwagu aneke</i>	Present
<i>Director of Undergraduate Affairs Zaid Naamat</i>	Present
<i>Director of Equity and Accessibility Rayana Mohamed</i>	Absent – EXCUSED
<i>Speaker of Senate Bryce Scholten</i>	Present

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Director Peña-Rojas motions to approve the agenda; Director Naamat seconds.

5-0-0: motion passes at 8:38am

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice President Kao motions to postpone the approval of the minutes from Executive Board Meeting on 2/20/2026; Director Wartick seconds.

4-0-1: motion passes at 8:39am

V. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

President Watkins welcomes all members of the public present at the meeting at 8:39am.

1 Member of the public

ASUWT Advisor 1

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- No Unfinished Business

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- No New Business

VIII. DIRECTOR UPDATES

- *ASUWT Vice President*
 - Vice President Kao promoted the Legislative Liaison position has been reposted to Handshake to collect more applicants and that process will take place
- *Director of Internal Affairs*
 - Position is Vacant
- *Director of Outreach*
 - Position was absent from the meeting
- *Director of Finance*
 - Director Peña-Rojas joined the Washington Student Association as the new Vice President of Finance to support WSA efforts
 - Director Peña-Rojas is working on the promotional plan for the Campus Event Fund and Conference and Training Fund to encourage people to apply
- *Director of Legislative Affairs*
 - Director Qatrani met with Congresswoman Strickland and shared with her what we do with the WSA
 - Legislative Liaisons testified on SGM 8014 ([Information](#))
 - The Second Policy Cut-Out is this week and fiscal cut-out is coming
 - Most of the bills are in the Rules Committee and legislative work is being done to make Rules Pull happen so that bills can be brought out of Rules Committee and have it scheduled for floor discussion
 - Write your Rights events on March 2, 2026 with Washington Bus in the Center for Equity & Inclusion

- *Director of Student Technology*
 - Director Wartick attended the Regents Fee Planning Meeting discussion on Wednesday 2.25.2026 to learn more about the requirements for the final budget proposal for the Student Technology Fee this year, which Director Wartick will be working on
 - Director Wartick presented that the current fee is \$47 dollars per quarter (141 dollars for the year) along with the information that the fee has been increased since 2024, after a longer period of time when the fee was maintained.
 - Director Wartick said that Student Technology Fee Committee will be meeting in March to finish the Annual Allocations process
- *Director of Undergraduate Affairs*
 - Director Naamat is meeting with the Dean of Milgard School of Business on 2/27/2026 and planning meetings with more deans. His communication has included senators in case they would like to attend
- *Director of Graduate Affairs*
 - Director aneke would like to connect with Director Naamat regarding his future meeting with the Dean of the School of Urban Studies
 - Director aneke has connected with professional staff members working for Graduate student support through socialization
 - Reported that there’s a big disconnection across graduate students programs based on lived experience and speaking with other graduate students
 - Reported that a lot of events and engagement opportunities take place during work hours and before 5pm, when graduate students are more likely to be on campus
- *Director of Equity and Accessibility*
 - Position was absent from the meeting

IX. ADVISOR UPDATES

- *Advisor Leary*
 - Advisor Leary advised student leaders to maintain concentrate on their grades as finals are on their way
 - Did bring to the attention of the Executive Board leaders that there is a meeting planned for the Executive Board on March 13, 2026, during finals weeks

- Center for Student Involvement is preparing for the end of the quarter, but also on Monday, March 2, 2026, 25Live reservations open up for the next academic year
- Campus Power Outage on March 27, 2026 which does affect the Executive Board Meeting on March 27, 2026, which has already been cancelled with OPMA
- Elections are underway and there will be a reminder email going out Monday regarding Candidate Packets.
- Please refer to the information shared by Director Wartick about Student Technology Fees and the potential for an increase

X. CHAIR UPDATES

– President

- President Watkins said that they would provide time in their updates for the Speaker of the Senate to provide any updates, after their updates
- President Watkins announced that Director of Finance was named the Washington Student Association Vice President of Finance
 - Included that Washington Student Association General Assembly is on April 17 and 18th at Western Washington University in Bellingham, WA. President Watkins encouraged all to attend
- President Watkins also provided updates on work with the Emergency Management Response Time and Director of Equity & Accessibility to include ear plugs in the restrooms to help dampen noise levels when alarm
 - Director of Student Technology asked if the ear plugs would be available in classrooms and President Watkins said they will follow-up with the planning team
- President Watkins promoted the Write your Rights Event on Monday March 2, 2026 in the Center for Equity & Inclusion to write to legislative representatives
- President Watkins brought up that they are working to adjust the Commencement Ceremony to include a very involved RSO leader or leaders in presenting a speech to the community
- President Watkins continued to provide updates on:

- Undergraduate and Transfer Advisory committee to request a representative from ASUWT to sit on this committee
 - Running a workshop “So You Want to Run for President” to provide information sharing about the position and to clear up any misconceptions about the role.
 - The Regent Selection Committee, which President Watkins will chair this year as it is Tacoma’s turn for supporting this effort
- President Watkins has requested that all Directors to start working on their legacy documents to better prepare positions for next year
- *Speaker of the Senate (Time provided)*
 - Speaker Scholten spoke about the hiring that is happening in the Senate for remaining Senator positions
 - Graduate Senator will be interviewed in the upcoming meeting
 - Elections timeline was approved before Candidate packets were released on 2/16/2026
 - Please make sure to submit agenda items to the Speaker of the Senate on Mondays at 12pm to asuwtia1@uw.edu

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Director Peña-Rojas motions to adjourn the meeting at 9:07am; Director Naamat seconds.

6-0-0: motion passes at 9:08am

President Watkins adjourns the meeting at 9:08 AM.