



# Senate Meeting Minutes

Date: 3/04/2026

Time: 12:15 PM

Location: University of Washington YMCA, R.303

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Speaker Scholten calls the meeting to order at 12:21 PM.

## **II. ROLL CALL**

Education Senator Chrystal Gonzales B.	Excused
Engineering & Technology Senator Eamon Challinor C.	Present
Milgard Business Senator Jayven Coppage E.	Excused
Social Work & Criminal Justice Senator Kailey Lawless G.	Present
IAS: Politics Philosophy, & Public Affairs Senator Bryce Scholten H.	Present
IAS: Science and Mathematics Senator Joshua Barnes	Present
Urban Studies Senator Aesha Aden	Present
Commuter Senator L Haueter	Present
Court 17 Residency Hall Senator Beren Lord	Present
Transfer Student Senator Anthony Riewald	Present

Members of the Public:

ASUWT Advisor Buddy

### **III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Senator Challinor moves to approve the agenda; Senator Coppage seconds the motion.

**7-0-1 motion passes**

### **IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Senator Coppage moves to postpone the minutes of 2/25/26 to next meeting, Senator Lord seconds the motion.

**7-0-1 motion passes**

### **V. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM**

- No members of the public.

### **VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- No Unfinished Business

### **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

- [DISCUSSION]: ASUWT BUDGET UPDATED WITH THE ASUWT DIRECTOR OF FINANCE
  - Director Rojas gives an overview of the budget update regarding hourly positions and higher positions as well.
    - ASUWT was allocated \$290,000 at the beginning of the year and then received \$2000 for special allocations. Which sums up to \$292,000 for the total allocation
    - Currently, as of 03/04/29 we have used \$92,000 of that which leaves us at \$200,000, which is a relatively healthy level.
  - Director Rojas presents 4 charts of the actual vs ideal budget and shows that we have banked hourly positions which brings the opportunity to allow 7 additional hours per position (Campus Organizer, Elections Administrator Chair, Multimedia Specialist, Office Manager)
  - Senator Coppage asks if this raises concerns for next year's actual budget allocation due to using less of the current budget.
  - Director Rojas is not concerned due to the opportunity to use the remaining amount for hourly positions until the end of the year. Giving four months (March-June) for additional allocation for bank towers.
  - Senator Aden inquires if it is possible to allocate more hours to people so they could use more of the hourly wages
  - Director Rojas says once we know we can allocate more money to the position it can happen.

- Senator Coppage asks if these funds can be allocated to something other than hourly positions in the future
- Director Rojas says he will get back to Senator Coppage on that but different budgets items can be allocated towards different categories, but additional research needs to be made.
- Director Rojas discusses redistribution, how activity payment will be paid the same number, and positions.
- [Interview]: Interview of Kris Hall for the Graduate Senator Position
  - Senators interview Kris Hall for the Graduate Senator Position
  - Kris Hall states that they want to be a part of ASUWT because they want to be more connected across departments on campus to increase collaboration opportunities. They additionally want to increase representation and access to services on campus for graduate students with extension of services for the evening and weekends.
  - Kris plans to build connections across departments and ensure that the university and administration make graduate students feel heard/
- Senator Haueter moves to not enter Executive Session to discuss the candidates for the Graduate Senator Position; Senator Coppage seconds the motion.

**7-0-1 motion passes**

- [Vote]: Hiring of the ASUWT Graduate Senator Position.
- Senator Coppage moves to hire Kris Hall for the ASUWT Graduate Senator Position; Senator Challinor seconds the motion.

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Senator Gonzales: Absent**

**Senator Challinor: Yay**

**Senator Coppage: Absent**

**Senator Laweless: Yay**

**Senator Scholten: Yay**

**Senator Barnes: Yay**

**Senator Aden: Yay**

**Senator Haueter: Yay**

**Senator Lord: Yay**

**Senator Riewald: Yay**

**8-0-0 motion passes**

## **VIII.SENATOR UPDATES**

- Senator Lord reminds everyone that the Demystifying Public Transit event is currently going on in the TPS until 1:30
- Senator Barnes announces that the SAB (Student Activities Board) is partnering with the Giving Garden for “build your own terrarium thing” and that it is moved to the TPS from 3:30 – 5:30
- Senator Riewald says he has good action steps for his transfer student survey and hopes to send it to students during the next quarter.

## **IX. ADVISOR UPDATES**

- N/A

## **X. CHAIR UPDATES**

- Senator Scholten talks about the possibility of having a ASUWT dental hygiene drive and how the Inclusive Access task force is working on an inclusive access information seminar discussing how to help disabled people during emergencies. He is also working at a resource fair with OSAS (Office for student advocacy and support) during the spring.

## **XI. ADJOURNMENT**

- Senator Barnes moves to approve to adjourn, Senator Aden seconds the motion.

### **7-0-1 motion passes**

- The meeting is adjourned at 12:54 PM.