

Legislative Steering Committee
Monday, November 14, 2005
4:00 pm, HUB 304D

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 4:06 pm.

II. Roll Call

Present:

Tyler Dockins, Chair
Ben Golden, Director, OGR
Lee Dunbar, ASUW President
Karl Smith, BOD Liaison/ASUW Director of Operations
Nick Peyton, GPSS Liaison/GPSS Vice President
Inigo Esteban, ASUW Student Senate Liaison
Angie Wallace, Member At-Large
Ashleigh Flowers, Member At-Large
Hannah Lommers-Johnson, Member At-Large
Phyllis Ying, Member At-Large

Absent:

Rene Singleton (non-voting), Ex-Officio Member

Guests:

Hala Dillsi, ASUW Director of Community Relations
Joel Murray

III. Approval of the Agenda

Agenda approved unanimously.

IV. Approval of the Minutes

Joel said that he's not an appointed member, so the minutes should reflect that.

Lee moved to insert additional information into the President's report. **Angie** seconded, without objection.

Angie moved to remove the ellipse after Joel's remark concerning K-12 education. **Nick** seconded, without objection.

Minutes approved unanimously.

V. Chair's Report

Tyler passed out resolutions regarding the Legislative Agenda since session IX. (We're currently in session XII). He also said that the Legislative Reception looks like it's going to have a great turnout, and follow-up calls start on Wednesday. The tentative schedule includes: 30 min of talking and getting food, speakers from 6:05-6:15, and a quick wrap-up at 6:45. There will

be 1-2 people who will serve as the heads of each table. These people will have pre-planted questions.

Tyler added that at the next two meetings, we may want to discuss legislation that we'd like Ben to sponsor because these are his last few meetings before he goes to Olympia.

Ben said that he would be working on legislation to doctor the regent's term a little, and possibly something that would deal with voter outreach for students. He also said that he's been working with WashPIRG on textbook costs, and he's also getting a little help from WSU on this.

VI. Old Business

a. Reception Follow-up Efforts

Call-backs start on Wednesday

VII. New Business

a. Reception Volunteers

Tyler confirmed that LSC members will meet at Kane at 4 to help with the setup and prep work for the Reception, and that there would be no official meeting on November 28.

b. Ideas for Legislation in Olympia

c. Lobby Day Brainstorm

Joel said that Lobby Day takes 8 weeks to adequately plan, and that he'd ask around for what went well and what didn't.

Hala said that there were only 3 people doing most of the planning, and that was good in some ways, but it was also bad in some.

Lee said that it may be a good idea to institute a planning committee of sorts because it would be good to divide up the leg work.

Tyler suggested having ATN! come to the meetings to help a bit.

Lee reiterated that he would like to see the planning extend outside of the LSC body.

Tyler gave a briefing of the logistics of Lobby Day.

Lee said that we need to be sure to follow up and make sure that we have concrete scheduling so that we don't miss out on any of the meetings.

VIII. Reports/Updates

a. Director's Report

OGR is hiring a research assistant, the hiring for the position is open from the 9th to the 23rd. OGR has roughly \$1000 budgeted for this position, and hours are negotiable. There's a Daily roundtable on Thursday, November 17, 2005, see Hala for details. The Budget Bill was delayed in the Federal House, and tabled for another week.

Tyler and Ben need help with the website, preferably someone who can do quick turnaround.

There was an inaccurate article in the Daily, and we need more response to things like that.

There's a WSL Meeting this weekend in Bellingham.

There's a Regent Meeting Friday, November 18.

b. Presidential Report

Lee spoke about the Smart Buy System, see him for details.

The U just received a great NCAA report. There are two action items on the agenda for the Regent Meeting regarding the Undergraduate Experience. He talked with President Emmert regarding what happened with the Daily and the Direct Transfer Agreement, and also about the Legislative Reception, but he's probably not coming. After the general Regent Meeting, the WSU and the UW Regents will be meeting, and that's in the Walker Ames room.

c. BOD Liaison Report

Karl said that the Board wanted to make sure that Inigo will be speaking more at Senate next week because he didn't say much at the last one.

Inigo requested that we jump in and help, because we all know just as much as he does about the Agenda.

d. GPSS Liaison Report

Nick said that there is an event at the Evans School concerning the election results and what they mean. The event is at Parrington at 5:30.

e. Advisor's Report

(Advisor Absent)

IX. Discussion Items

a. Possible Guest: Dr. James Sulton, Jr. (HECB)

Tyler said that Dr. Sulton was supposed to come today, but that he got busy.

X. Announcements

a. RSVP Deadline: November 18

Tyler said that the RSVP date for the Reception is November 18 for all guests.

b. Other

Lee said that he wants to take a motor pool down to Olympia on the 9th with a bunch of Huskies.

Ashleigh said that there's a WalMart Wash viewing on Tuesday from 5-8pm, but that it's during senate, so we should feel free to go to senate and to her event immediately following for the last hour.

XI. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 4:56 pm.