



Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, March 10th, 2010

7:00pm

University of Arizona

Student Union Memorial Center: Rincon Room

- I. **Call to Order** by Chair Elma Delic at 7:17 pm

- II. **Roll Call of Members & Welcome of Guests**
 - a. Central District
 - i. ASU Downtown
 1. Tania Mendes - not present
 - ii. ASU Polytechnic
 1. Matt McCoy – present
 2. Larry Jones – not present
 - iii. GPSA
 1. Justin Boren – not present
 2. Kelley Stewart – present
 - iv. ASU Tempe
 1. Brendan O'Kelly – present
 2. Ben Henderson – present
 3. Rudi O'Keefe-Zelman – present
 - v. ASU West
 1. Andrew Clark – present
 2. Daniel Hatch – present

 - b. Southern District
 - i. UA
 1. Chris Nagata – present
 2. Nicole Pasteur – present
 3. Billy Holmes – present
 4. Steve Otero - present
 5. David López-Negrete – present
 - ii. UA –South
 1. Andres Galbadon – present
 2. Holly Haygens – not present

 - c. Northern District

- i. NAU
 - 1. Kathleen Templin – on the phone
 - 2. Christian Kolesar – on the phone
 - 3. Tony Pena – on the phone
 - 4. Lauren Talkington – present
 - 5. Troy Campbell – not present

d. Chair

- i. Elma Delic
 - 1. Present

e. ASA Staff

- i. Robyn Nebrich, Interim Executive Director - present
- ii. Ali Smart, Interim Organizing Director – present
- iii. Erin Hertzog, Government Affairs Director - present
- iv. Kelley Dupps, ASU Tempe Organizer – present
- v. Rachel Williams, ASU Field Organizer – present
- vi. Alicia Cybulski, Office Manager – present
- vii. Ashley Wilcox, Government Affairs Intern – present

f. Guests

- i. Daniel Hernandez – ASA Fellow
- ii. Abby Wischnia – ASA Fellow
- iii. Beth Wischnia – ASASUD Vice President
- iv. Cheyenne Walsh – Student Regent Finalist
- v. Matt Totlis

III. Call to the Audience –

No members of the audience wished to speak

IV. Oaths of Office

- a. Steve Otero – newly appointed UA Board Member
- b. David López-Negrete – new GPSC president

V. Approval of Agenda

- a. Motion to approve adding proposed plan of improvement under discussion items as Item b.
 - i. Moved by Brendan O'Kelly
 - ii. Seconded by Steve Otero
 - iii. Motion passes unanimously
- b. Motion to approve adding approval of the February 26th Special Board Meeting minutes to the agenda
 - i. Moved by Elma Delic
 - ii. Seconded by Brendan O'Kelly
 - iii. Motion approved unanimously

- c. Motion to approve adding the Executive Director hiring process to discussion items as Item c
 - i. Moved by Kelley Stewart
 - ii. Seconded by Matt McCoy
 - iii. Roll call vote
 - iv. Motion fails in Northern District with Kathleen, Tony, Lauren, and Christian voting no.

- d. Motion to approve adding Proposition 100 to New Business
 - i. Moved by Elma Delic
 - ii. Seconded by Andrew Clark
 - iii. Motion passes unanimously

- e. Motion to approve removing all business items until all current business items are addressed
 - i. Moved by Kelley Stewart
 - ii. Seconded by Matt McCoy
 - iii. Motion fails

- f. Motion to move into executive session
 - i. Moved by Chris Nagata
 - ii. Seconded by Steve Otero
 - iii. Motion approved unanimously

- g. Motion to move Proposition 100 off the agenda and refer to the legislative affairs committee
 - i. Moved by Daniel Hatch
 - ii. Seconded by Matt McCoy
 - iii. Motion fails

VI. Approval of February 19th, 2010 Minutes

- a. Motion to approve the minutes from the February 19th meeting
 - i. Moved by Elma Delic
 - ii. Seconded by Steve Otero
 - iii. Motion passes unanimously

VII. Approval of the February 26th, 2010 Minutes

- a. Motion to approve the minutes from the February 26th special meeting of the board.
 - i. Moved by Steve Otero
 - ii. Seconded by Brendan O'Kelly
 - iii. Friendly amendment added to have the secretary review attendance and voting and make those edits as needed.
 - iv. Motion passes unanimously

VIII. Officer Reports

- a. Chair
 - i. I have been meeting with the Regents on tuition and our legislative agenda.

- b. Vice-Chair
 - i. The Executive Committee met with the alumni advisory council and much of that is on the agenda for later.
- c. Secretary
 - i. The executive session minutes from the previous meeting are available to any board member that requests them.
- d. Treasurer
 - i. I have been working on a financial policy regarding liquidation of our capital assets.
 - ii. We have been looking at working with an investment manager and have written a Request for Proposal for obtaining one.

IX. Campus, Student Regent, and Staff Reports

- a. Campus
 - i. Northern
 - 1. NAU
 - a. No report at present
 - 2. NAU – Yuma
 - a. No report given
 - ii. Central
 - 1. ASU Downtown
 - a. No report given
 - 2. ASU Polytechnic
 - a. Will be setting up a meeting between Rachel Williams and Robyn Nebrich to work on creating a semester plan to work on building our listserve on campus
 - 3. ASU Tempe
 - a. Wrapping things up before spring break
 - b. Getting ready for Proposition 100 and student government elections.
 - c. The early polling site went well.
 - 4. ASU West
 - a. Things have been going well.
 - 5. GPSA
 - a. No report given
 - iii. Southern
 - 1. UA
 - a. We have been having a lot of conversations with the Regents surrounding tuition and things

have been going well, as evidenced by President Shelton's counter proposal.

- b. David Martinez III and our interns have been working on building our database of lobby corps member up.
- c. Have been working with the parent and family associations.
- d. Student government elections are going on at present.

2. GPSC

- a. Working with ASUA with a fruitful partnership on tuition and fees.
- b. Been meeting with the advisor and administrator since taking office as president.
- c. Gearing up for our late March elections.

3. UA – South

- a. Putting together a student council to help us reach out to all campuses.
- b. Building lobby corps membership and using ASA issues to build interest
- c. Holding end of semester event, and start new hiring process for AS AUS officers.

b. Student Regent

- i. There were 2 revised proposals submitted today from the UA and we have appreciated the student proposals.
- ii. ASU – President Crow has withdrawn his differential tuition for the School of Business, the School of Design and Arts, and the School of Journalism and Mass Communication. He plans to test out differential tuition with the Engineering School. There will be more discussion of differential tuition at tomorrow's Board of Regents' meeting.

c. Staff

- i. Hired a new ASU Field Organizer, Rachel Williams, to work with ASU Polytechnic, West and Downtown.
- ii. Vote 2010
 - 1. A lot of organizations are starting to work on Vote 2010 and focusing on the youth vote.
 - 2. The ACLU has some great data about vote by mail and early voting.
 - 3. Just Vote, a coalition of organizations representing people with disabilities, would like to do target voter registration at universities. They will be talking to the Disabilities Resource Centers on each campus and when we find out more information we will bring it back to board of directors.

4. We do have a vote committee in place as one of our institutionalized issues.
5. USSA – starting their planning for vote and are thinking about drafting a Memorandum of Understanding.
6. We have started drafting a policy regarding airfare and travel since we currently don't have one in place.

X. Committee Reports

a. Standing Committees

- i. Executive – we have been working on developing a strategic plan to be discussed further in the agenda.
- ii. Finance – report same as the treasurer's report
- iii. Internal Affairs
 1. We are stymied on the executive director hiring process and we need direction from every board member on how we'd like to proceed to help propose a new hiring process to hire an executive director. We are stuck and cannot move forward until we hear from every board member. Please send your thoughts to the chair, Justin Boren.
- iv. Legislative Affairs
 1. We have issued an against stance against the minimum wage bill which proposes paying 18-22 year olds a percentage of the minimum wage.
 2. The legislature is in its seventh special session which means we're at a standstill regarding the budget now.

b. Ad-hoc Committees

- i. Textbooks – no report given
- ii. DREAM Act – no report given
- iii. Shared Governance – no report given
- iv. Arizona Voters for Higher Education – no report given
- v. Graduate Student Workgroup
 1. Currently has no chair, so Ben Henderson, will chair the committee in his role as Vice Chair. Please let him know if you'd like to be part of the committee.

XI. United States Student Association Report – there was none given

XII. Executive Session

XIII. Discussion Items

- a. Strategic Plan
 - i. Background – under direction from the board of directors at the winter board retreat, the executive committee moved forward in reaching out the alumni advisory council on creating a new strategic plan for the organization.
 - ii. Patrick McWhorter, a member of the alumni advisory council as well as the president of the Alliance of Arizona Non-Profits, offered as part of ASA's membership of the Alliance of Non-Profits, a consultant to aid with the strategic planning process.
 - iii. Andrew Clark moved to end discussion and move forward with an email vote to approve the Executive Committee to create a draft of a strategic plan and meet with the consultant provided by the Alliance of Arizona Non-Profits. Motion seconded by Matt McCoy
Motion passes unanimously.

- b. Southwest Student Leadership Conference – to be kept as an open item to be discussed at the next board meeting.

- c. Proposition 100: Sales Tax
 - i. Attended a March4Schools (a coalition of education related groups) meeting where the campaign director spoke and presented a PowerPoint, which will be emailed to the board.
 - ii. We need to make sure there is good communication between the board
 - iii. We will talk further in new business.

- d. Proposal for the Improvement of the Organization
 - i. Motion to refer the document to the Internal Affairs Committee to the suggested bylaw changes.
 - ii. Moved by Matt McCoy
 - iii. Seconded by Andres Galbadon
 - iv. Motion approved unanimously

XIV. Old Business

- a. Financial Policy Change – First Read
 - i. We have drafted a financial policy change regarding liquidation of assets, which has been through finance.
 - ii. Motion to move the policy change to second read
 - 1. Moved by David López-Negrete
 - 2. Seconded by Steve Otero
 - 3. Motion passes unanimously

XV. New Business

- a. Student Government Summit: April 24th
 - i. Background: during the winter retreat board members expressed their interest in reaching out to community college students. As part of this, there was a meeting with Spencer Morgan, president of the student government at Mesa Community College, expressed interest in working with ASA on developing student power.
 - ii. A motion for each individual district to move to engage the community colleges as part of their campaigns for Proposition 100 and leave to the discretion of future boards whether to host a summit for student governments.
 - 1. Moved by Chris Nagata
 - 2. Seconded by Brendan O'Kelly
 - 3. Motion passes unanimously

- b. Investment Manager RFP
 - i. Background - We have written a request for proposal for an investment manager to help us earn a better return on investment for our reserves accounts.
 - ii. A motion to approve sending out the RFP to investment management firms and investment managers.
 - iii. Moved by Ben Henderson
 - iv. Seconded by Elma Delic
 - v. Motion approved unanimously

- c. Student Centered Advising Workgroup: Lumina Grant
 - i. Background: ASA was asked to submit two names to the Student Centered Advising Work Group, a university students and a community college student. This work group will be charged with thinking outside of the box on how we can increase access to higher education in Arizona and specifically they will look at solving problems with advising and transferring from the community colleges to the universities.
 - ii. Motion for board members to review the applicants and send Robyn Nebrich the top three candidates by Thursday at 5 pm, who will then review everyone's picks and submit the university student's name.
 - iii. Moved by Brendan O'Kelly
 - iv. Seconded by Steve Otero
 - v. Motion approved unanimously with two abstentions by Elma Delic and Ben Henderson.

- d. Proposition 100: Sales Tax
 - i. Motion to create an ad-hoc committee regarding the Proposition 100 campaign
 - ii. Moved by Elma Delic
 - iii. Seconded by David López-Negrete
 - iv. Motion approved unanimously.

XVI. Announcements – there were none

XVII. Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn at 9:52 pm
- b. Moved by Elma Delic
- c. Seconded by Steve Otero
- d. Motion passes unanimously