



WESTERN NEVADA COLLEGE

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ASWN Meeting Minutes	DATE: 4/15/22	LOCATION: Dini 105
Members Present	Officers: Andea Sanchez De Loza, Victor Clavel, Suzanna Stankute Senators: Benny Buchanan, Josias Heredia, Gisela Munoz Leon, Ivan Ramirez Advisor:	
Members Missing	Senators: Guadalupe DeSantiago, Barbara Hurst	
Guests	Coral Lopez, Jayden Stevens	

Agenda Topic	Call to Order
Action Taken	Meeting was called to order at 9 AM
Summary of Discussion	Role Call was taken
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	N/A
Comments/Information	Majority of ASWN Members present

Agenda Topic	Public Comment
Action Taken	Information/Discussion only
Summary of Discussion	N/A
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	N/A
Comments/Information	N/A

Agenda Topic	Special Fee Justification FY24 (Coral Lopez, Kyle Dalpe)
Action Taken	Information/Discussion only
Summary of Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rise in fees for Art courses: Art 100, 1010, 102, 121• Will be an increase of \$25 to \$50.• Change in fees will go into effect in Fall 2023 following approval from the regents.• The number of changes may look very heavy on the arts, but we are not picking anyone out.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each discipline has been asked to assess their fees, and these are the ones currently being updated. Art has not been updated for quite awhile now. • These are the only changes that will be brought up this year. It will not affect other disciplines. • Money collected for Art 201 can only be used in Art 201. • If there is a lot of revenue, the board would check on us to ensure we are using it appropriately. • Different fees are also affected by how many classrooms they have. Since WNC has fewer classrooms, we do not need it to be as high as TMCC.
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	Have an art instructor come and explain the fee increases
Comments/Information	<p>Gisela's questions: Q: If the student is unable to pay, are there payment plans? A: We already offer payment plans for all courses. Q: For some art and lab classes, there are fees including extra materials needed to pay. Will that be covered? A: The extra materials fees would fall under kits or textbooks. Most of these should be covered in the class fees. Many of these fees would cover materials for the classroom. Anything a student needs/wants for themselves they would need to buy on their own. Scholarships would cover it.</p> <p>Benny's Clarification questions: Q: For Art 201, the fee is being raised by \$100 because we are trying to match UNR? A: In a way (see Andrea's question) Q: The annual student impact is based on what? A: Average enrollment.</p> <p>Andrea's questions: Q: Why don't we compare at TMCC instead of UNR? A: We aren't specifically increasing to match UNR, we are ensuring that we are not spending more than other colleges. Q: \$50-\$100 is rather expensive, is there a way we could go from \$50-\$75, or any kind of middle ground? A: All of these should have been adjusted years ago, and now we are <i>having</i> to do it. If there is a recommendation to find that middle ground, we can bring that back to the college council. Q: Fees would be implemented in fall 2023, if you sign up for a class would that money also be collected when you pay for the class? A: Yes. It is all collected at the same time.</p> <p>Heather's question: Q: Certain students have come to me explaining that they are not receiving anything in the class. Will these fees give them supplies for the class or simply supplies to teach?</p>

	<p>A: Any basic supplies for the classroom itself will be covered. Any expendables for the students to use will not be covered. This will be used to run the class, not for the actual students' use.</p> <p>Jayden's question: Q: Could we get more funding from the federal/state rather than 'taxing' the students? A: We are currently working on a budget reduction, and in the future we can fix that.</p> <p>Josias' question: Q: Are you working with other organizations to get other students registered at WNC? A: Every department works very hard to continue outreach.</p>
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Agenda Topic	BA Degree Options for Liberal Arts (Jayden Stevens)
Action Taken	Information/Discussion only
Summary of Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WNC already has a Construction Management and Project Management Program. Having plans to offer more Bachelor's degrees can potentially affect enrollment as well. • WNC currently has a graduation rate of 12%. • It is more inexpensive to get your degrees here rather than UNR. • May want a Bachelor's Degree in Arts, which would be rather broad. • ASWN would be able to advocate for what students want. We could do some tabling events or a survey to figure out what the students are interested in. • Jayden discussed how WNC can cater to non-traditional students. • Jayden is working on forming an Autistic Pride and Diversity club on campus. A charter and roster will be around by mid-May. • Heather discussed the logistics of starting a club.
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	Meet with Mandy to discuss survey options.
Comments/Information	<p>Andrea: The club sounds really great, and that bachelors' programs would be a great idea.</p> <p>Gisela: Having a social work degree would be incredibly beneficial to those who have issues traveling and transferring to Reno.</p> <p>Josias' questions: Q: Would bachelors of arts cover technical programs like cyber security? A: We already have a couple programs. Many students go to Western-Governors University after finishing our programs. A degree like that would be very beneficial to the college and the city as a whole. Q: Would our tuition be the same as WGU?</p>

	A: The way we do classes would be exorbitantly less than other schools. WGU has a different way of doing things, but it is also higher.
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Agenda Topic	Approval of Minutes for 3/24/3033 Meeting
Action Taken	Motion: Josias Second: Benny Motion Passes: 4-0-0
Summary of Discussion	N/A
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	N/A
Comments/Information	N/A

Agenda Topic	Approval of Minutes for 4/4/2022 Meeting
Action Taken	Tabled
Summary of Discussion	N/A
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	N/A
Comments/Information	N/A

Agenda Topic	Treasurer's Report (Andrea Sanchez)
Action Taken	Information/Discussion only
Summary of Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$24,508 • The last thing that was accounted for was the Award Zone trophies for Awards and Appreciation
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	N/A
Comments/Information	N/A

Agenda Topic	2nd Year Nursing Club Funding Request
Action Taken	Motion: Benny Second: Josias 1 Abstain 3--0-1 Motion Passes: There will be no funding to the Second Year Nursing Club.
Summary of Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The original request was for the photographs so what we pass (if anything) would affect their end of the year ceremonies since the photos have already been taken. • This is something we have never done before. • Heather discussed ASWN's options on how we can vote. • Benny motioned to deny the \$1,200 for Nursing

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roll call vote: 3-0-1
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	N/A
Comments/Information	<p>Josias: They are asking for a lot of money, but has he done calculations? If we do approve it and purchase other things, our remaining budget for the next year would be around \$4,000.</p> <p>Andrea: It's a lot of money that we could use to benefit all of our students, not just nursing. There are many events we want to do that could prove expensive. We could help more in manpower than in money. We don't want to look like we are favoring the Nursing club.</p> <p>Suzanna's question: Q: Who pays for the graduation ceremony? A: We work with the alumni, but it is mainly us.</p> <p>Ivan: If we do this, it could become a yearly thing. We may not be able to pay for it in the future.</p> <p>Gisela: We don't want to set a precedent that we can pay for everything.</p> <p>Heather: We would be starting out the next spring semester with around \$10,000 and probably would not be able to continue this.</p> <p>Victor: We need to be fair and find an equal balance between these opinions.</p>

Agenda Topic	Budget Approval for LLA/ASWN Easter Fiesta Event on 4/14/2022
Action Taken	Motion: Josias Second: Benny Motion Passes: 4-0-0
Summary of Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Asking for up to \$1,000 \$500 for gifts cards \$400 on pizza Remaining would be for some decorations.
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	N/A
Comments/Information	N/A

Agenda Topic	Budget Approval for Microwave Carts for ASWN Campus Microwave
Action Taken	Motion: Josias Second: Benny Motion to Table passes: 4-0-0
Summary of Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each building has a microwave. Currently, Cedar's microwave is on the ground.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We want to buy carts to put the microwaves on with cleaning supplies.
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	N/A
Comments/Information	Josias's questions: Q: We have a workshop, correct? A: We have a welding shop. Q: Could they build it? A: They would probably want us to pay for their supplies.

Agenda Topic	Budget Approval of New Student T-shirt
Action Taken	Motion: Josias Second: Benny Motion Passes: 4-0-0
Summary of Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Years ago, we used to do big orientations. After that, a committee formed to try and change the first-year experience for our students. Orientations are changing, and we want to make it more fun and memorable for our students. We are buying more affordable T-shirts so we can have as many as possible.
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	N/A
Comments/Information	Benny's question: Q: How many will these buy A: There are a couple of places Heather will look at to buy from. There isn't a number right now, but we're looking at around 3,000 shirts. They can be used next year and such.

Agenda Topic	ASWN Awards and Appreciation Event Updates (Heath Rikalo and Victor Clavel)
Action Taken	Information/Discussion only
Summary of Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awards have been ordered and paid for. Monday, we need to call and invite students. We did not get all of our nominations on time, so we are a little late. Last year we gave out 16 awards, this year we are giving out 32. If each person brings 2 people, we could be overcrowding the room. We may have to change the invite to one guest. We talked to the Cafe about a reception. We will not be able to use them because we cannot serve a meal. Administration has been invited. Presenters need to be invited,
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	
Comments/Information	Ivan's question: Q: When are we going to be there to decorate?

	A: The event is the 28th of April. We have access to Carson Nugget Hall all day. We are hoping it will be set up before we get there. On the 28th, everyone needs to be there to work. “Set up” is making sure everything is how we want it.
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Agenda Topic	ASWN Events Update
Action Taken	Information/Discussion
Summary of Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Easter fiesta: Major success. Advertisement was really great. Students came in to help with posters.
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	N/A
Comments/Information	<p>Heather: Moving forward, if we partner with clubs, we need to have a clear picture of who is doing what at the event. Having the wildcat could increase participation next year. The golden egg was great, and the students really enjoyed it.</p> <p>Andrea’s question: Q: Technically, it was not our event, correct? A: We partnered with LLA.</p>

Agenda Topic	Club Reports
Action Taken	Information/Discussion only
Summary of Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We need to add Ivan’s Adventure Club to the list. IAC: Last week, they did volleyball. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18 students showed up. Next Sunday, they are looking into doing kickball at the baseball field. Parents wanted to come. Games Club: The discord for the games club is going to be an official WNC social media platform. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A jackbox party games event on April 20th online. LGBTQIA Alliance: They will be having a meeting in Dini 105. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anyone interested is welcome to come, whether you are a part of the community or not.
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	Add Ivan’s Adventure Club
Comments/Information	N/A

Agenda Topic	WNC College Committee Reports
Action Taken	Information/Discussion only
Summary of Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> College council. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There have been some changes to the policy. They are restarting a mentorship program.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A committee is reviewing bylaws. ○ Policy 732 will be dealing with banking. Late registration fees.
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	N/A
Comments/Information	N/A

Agenda Topic	Recess
Action Taken	A 5-minute recess was taken Meeting was called to order at 11:22
Summary of Discussion	N/A
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	N/A
Comments/Information	N/A

Agenda Topic	ASWN Advisor Report (Heather Rikalo)
Action Taken	Information/Discussion only
Summary of Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Heather has been meeting with Josh and Tyler about the WNC experience. ● They have asked us to participate in the WNC Experience. ● We need to post about our events. They want us to post updates as the event is going on as well. ● There are some events coming up that we need to be aware of. Cleaning up after an event is very important as well. ● Graduation: We will be having a drive through graduation. ● Dr. Dalpe will be having a reception event for students as an answer to the student petition on graduation ● 2 Drive throughs on Carson, one on Fallon. ● A semi-formal reception during the week where students can meet with their faculty and staff for students who are missing that aspect of the traditional ceremony. ● Caps and Gowns will be purchased online.
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	N/A
Comments/Information	Ivan's question: Q: When is the ceremony? A: May 23 @ 9am for Liberal Arts. May 24 @ 9am for Bachelors. One conclusive day for Fallon.

Agenda Topic	Old Business
Action Taken	Information/Discussion only

Summary of Discussion	N/A
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	N/A
Comments/Information	N/A

Agenda Topic	New Business
Action Taken	Information/Discussion only
Summary of Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have Rachel Stiff at the next meeting . • Have the Foundation come give updates at the next meeting. • The Enrollment Management Committee would like to show a presentation on what they are doing for enrollment. • Budget for Earth Week
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	Invite Rachel Stiff for the next meeting
Comments/Information	N/A

Agenda Topic	Public Comment
Action Taken	Information/Discussion only
Summary of Discussion	N/A
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	N/A
Comments/Information	N/A

Agenda Topic	Adjournment
Action Taken	Meeting adjourned at 11:37 AM.
Summary of Discussion	N/A
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	N/A
Comments/Information	N/A