

Incidental Fee Committee
Minutes

Meeting # 12

February 16, 2015 5:30pm

Location: Willamette Room, Werner University Center

1. Call to Order

The meeting is called to order at 5:37pm by Quinn Forner, IFC Chair.

2. Roll Call

IFC Members: Vikas Sharma, Allison Cook, Miguel Sanchez, Tori Stutzman, Carter Craig, Rachel Ammons, Jessica Hand, Quinn Forner, and Evelyn Garcia.

Advisors: Darin Silbernagel, Director of Business Services; and Gary Dukes, Vice President for Student Affairs.

Area Heads:: Debbie Diehm, Plan-it-Wolf/Wolf Ride; Rip Horsey, Campus Recreation; Mary Ellen Dello Stritto, Abby's House; Ingrid Amerson, Childcare; Patrick Moser, WUC/SLA; Meg Artman, Student Media; Malissa Larson, Access; Barb Dearing, Athletics; and Michael Freeman, ASWOU

Other Representatives: Zach Moffatt, ASWOU Senate President; and Glen Harris, Athletics; Jenesa Ross, ASWOU; Justin Ross, ASWOU; Corbin Garner, ASWOU; Randi Lydum, Athletics; Jessica Freeman, ASWOU; Nicole Anderson, Athletics; Daniel Johnson, Music; Daylen Lawrence, Music/Creative Arts; Jack Armstrong, The Journal; and Tom Bergeron, Creative Arts.

IFC Secretary: Adela Aguilar

Not Present: Adry Clark, Service Learning & Career Development; and Keller Coker, Creative Arts.

3. Approval of the agenda

Evelyn Garcia moves to approve the agenda. Allison Cook seconds. Acclamation is called. Seeing no dissent, the motion passes.

4. Approval of the minutes

Jessica Hand moves to approve. Evelyn Garcia seconds. Discussion: Evelyn Garcia asks if rugby falls under Athletics or Campus Recreation. Adela Aguilar responds that it falls under Campus Recreation and that the snapshot of attendees, provided in the minutes, reflects the information the attendees input upon check-in. The motion passes 8-0-0.

5. Reports

6. Old Business

6.1 Approval of the minutes meeting #9

Barb Dearing provides a point of clarification for Athletics; the minutes should read that Athletics has served 4900 unique student participants.

Vikas Sharma moves to approve meeting#9 minutes. Evelyn Garcia seconds. The motion passes 8-0-0.

7. New Business

7.1 Final Decision

Quinn Forner reminds the Committee that they may be unable to please everyone and asks that they keep in mind the importance of representing students. He also asks the Committee to consider the demographic info previously presented.

Justin Ross lets the Committee know that the ASWOU Senate will be looking for their deliberation and thought process over the student feedback. He also notes that the ASWOU Senate would like to see a better breakdown of the final decision vote.

Quinn Forner adds that a 2013-2014 study at WOU showed that about 59% of the student body identified as food insecure.

Athletics

Allison Cook notes that during her breakout sessions, at both open hearings, her groups were composed of mostly athletes and they were not happy about the decrease to their budget. She notes that when presented with the suggestion of funding the base budget but no enhancements there were mixed feelings among the students.

Rachel Ammons notes that both her breakout sessions were full of athletes and received a lot of the same feedback as Allison. She adds that many of the athletes felt they were in the dark and were unaware they could be involved in the process. She felt that the breakout sessions gave them an opportunity to clear up misunderstandings on both sides. She notes that she heard the term 'punishment' a lot which was frustrating.

Nicole Anderson notes that athletes are students first and they would like to be referred to as student athletes; instead of athletes.

Allison Cook adds that the student athletes in her groups were also concerned about the other budgets and one student felt that no good thing could come from taking money away from anyone's budget.

Justin Ross notes that the Committee is talking a lot about open hearings but points out that the vast majority of students were not present. The students who showed up had an issue with the preliminary decision, should also take into account the students who did not show up.

Jack Armstrong, who wrote a piece for *The Journal*, does not think that saying most students did not react is a fair statement since many did not have access to the preliminary decision spreadsheet.

Quinn Forner adds that while he and Jessica Hand were tableing it was apparent many students did not know anything about the incidental fee.

Rachel Ammons suggests breaking down the athletics budget by sport so the funding per sport is clear. Quinn Forner suggests that should be discussed when reviewing the budget notes.

Jessica Hand notes that Athletics did a great job of getting students to open hearings and felt the breakout sessions were beneficial for both the Committee and students to clear up misconceptions. In her group at the first open hearing the student athletes understood it was a burden to keep asking students to keep paying more. Her group at the second open hearing felt it was reasonable to continue increasing the fee to pay for the increases. She adds that when she brought up the food insecurity issue a student athlete suggested that a \$12 increase represented only a few meals a student would need to skip. Another student athlete suggested the Committee should be funding events to create food stamp program awareness. Jessica Hand notes that in *The Journal* a student stated that she “was ashamed to be a part of a university that doesn’t support all student endeavors equally” and adds that if that were to be the case then Athletics would be funded at a lot less.

Miguel Sanchez notes that in his breakout session, at the first open hearings, he had many student athletes and a student parent for childcare. While the student athletes believed the fee should be increased the student parent felt that an increase would make it difficult to afford.

Randi Lydum states that she works with the majority of the student athletes and they are also very similar to the general students. She adds that student athletes have been homeless and faced food insecurity as well and must continue to pay the incidental fee in order to participate. Their passion for their sport allows them to continue through hardship. She speaks of a student athlete who lived in his car during Fall term and adds that speaking to that at

open hearings would have been embarrassing for him. She notes that it is important to know that student athletes are not above anyone else but they support their ability to participate in athletics.

Evelyn Garcia notes that in her group, during the first open hearing, she had both student athletes and student parents; the students spoke about their intersectionality with other departments and how it made them feel supported. Many of the students were in support of raising the fee as they felt they would not be as supported if services were cut.

Jenesa Ross asks to see a history of departments who received decreases in their base budgets. Jessica Hand notes that budgets are organized differently than in the past. Gary Dukes uses travel as an example; in the previous year, area heads could increase travel as they felt was needed but travel increases were restricted this year.

Barb Dearing asks the Committee members to review the e-mails, letters and signatures in their packets from a student prospective. Student athletes turned out because of their passion for their sport and tried to validate everything to the IFC by putting it in writing and gathering signatures. She also adds that the student athletes stayed from start to finish at open hearing to ensure their student voice was heard, not many other groups did that. The student athletes did everything they could to provide feedback and are willing to pay the potential increase. She understands that it is a difficult decision for the Committee and has tried not to pressure them and asks that they take into consideration the number of student athletes that provided feedback.

Glen Harris notes that the administrative overhead is increasing from 7% to 7.4%, an increase that affects all areas, and asks if there is any way that could be revisited. Darin Silbernagel explains that increasing the administrative overhead .4% is already a compromise of the suggested increase the study provided.

Vikas Sharma asks the Committee members their thoughts on funding Athletics at base budget with no enhancements. Rachel Ammons spoke to student athletes who saw the value in both their base budget and enhancements. She suggests discussing all the components.

Evelyn Garcia notes that the price of the football headset is a scary number but it was mentioned it has a life of approximately 10 years and it is important

to consider long term. Quinn Forner asks if Athletics will find another way to fund it if it is not approved by the Committee. Barb Dearing responds that they will have to. Corbin Garner notes that he agrees with what he's hearing but he thinks it is important to not only consider the long-term because next years' students will be affected.

Jessica Hand does not believe it's an either/or situation in regards to the base budget and enhancements. She is in support of the 5% decrease because of the student feedback noting that a large percentage of the fee goes towards a small percentage of students. She adds that a student approached her, after an open hearing breakout session, and stated that it was unfortunate that Athletics was facing a cut from IFC but questioned why such a large portion of the fee was going towards one department. Jessica Hand realizes that the decrease will be a challenge for student athletes but notes it is also a challenge for all students to pay more and more.

Rachel Ammons believes that all departments can be seen in the same light and reminds the Committee that all departments are seen as beneficial, such as Access and Wolf Ride. Carter Craig notes that the chief difference between Access and Athletics is approximately a million dollars and a 5% decrease would help remedy that. Justin Ross notes that Barb Dearing had earlier mentioned that the only department comparable in size to Athletics is the music department; yet the funding amounts are different.

Tori Stutzman notes that if the Committee wants things to be closer to fair then the dollar amounts should reflect that. She is in favor of the 5% decrease because she does not believe that increasing the fee will be beneficial to many students. She adds that it does not make sense to ask a student who is living in a car or struggling for food to pay more than they absolutely need to pay. Rachel Ammons commented that, during the open hearing breakout sessions, student athletes pointed out that they do not get the same quality of an athletic career with the additional travel time and were begging for assistance.

Glen Harris asks if the incidental fee is what prevents prospective students from choosing WOU or if it is other fees such as housing. Vikas Sharma responds that, as a Student Ambassador, prospective students look at the fee and the campus atmosphere when choosing a school. Tori Stutzman believes that the fee is part of everyone's decision and while she cannot control any other fee she can help with the incidental fee. Corbin Garner agrees with Tori Stutzman and adds that there was recently a higher education rally with over

500 student attendees from all over Oregon who believe college is expensive and it is unacceptable. Jessica Hand adds that at the current fee rate students are essentially paying for three credit class. Miguel Sanchez thinks that the 5% decrease is in the best interest of all students.

Jessica Hand moves to approve the Athletics base budget at \$1,316,380. Vikas Sharma seconds.

Discussion: Carter Craig notes that, at open hearings, it was apparent that 342 student got a lot out of Athletics but did not hear from the general student body. He adds that while he appreciates the number of student athletes who showed up it did not justify the increase. Barb Dearing asks the Committee to look over the other base budgets and their applicable rollover. She also notes it is discouraging to student athletes that other departments with rollover did not receive cuts; it could seem that student athletes were singled out. Jessica Hand notes that she doesn't want to send the message that athletics does not matter; she does not think that the Committee must make additional cuts because they make one.

Glen Harris notes that part of the reason the student fee is increasing is because WOU is losing its student base and questions what other avenues the University will pursue. He adds that with Athletics they go out and recruit prospective students; recruiting efforts that will be hindered by the proposed cut. Vikas Sharma asks how many student athletes at WOU are without a scholarship. Barb Dearing states there are 131 student athletes without a scholarship at WOU. She adds that Athletics is the front door of a University and what a lot of future employers look at; schools that created football programs saw increases in their enrollment. She reiterates that Athletics works closely with the Admission office to recruit prospective students. Corbin Garner notes it is bold to say that any one department is the face of the University and that students come to WOU for a variety of reasons. He adds that ASWOU previously took a cut and they made it work, cuts need to happen. Quinn Forner notes that while he was labeling the number one reason that brought students to WOU was the small classes.

The motion passes 6-1-1.

Abby's House

Jessica Hand moves to approve Abby's house base budget at \$6,391. Evelyn Garcia seconds.

Discussion: Rachel Ammons notes that the open hearing breakout session was that Abby's House should be fully funded; students hoped they wouldn't need some of their services but wanted them available.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Access

Miguel Sanchez moves to approve Access base budget at \$12,888. Evelyn Garcia seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand notes that Access has a significant number of rollover but deems it acceptable based on the nature of the budget; it is difficult to predict the accommodations that may be needed.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

ASWOU

Carter Craig moves to approve the ASWOU base budget at \$294,239. Evelyn seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand notes that during tabling several students liked that clubs existed and that funding was at student level. She adds that ASWOU received a cut in the previous year and they took it in stride. Carter Craig believes that ASWOU does a good job of giving students their incidental fee dollars in services.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Creative Arts

Rachel Ammons moves to approve the Creative Arts base budget at \$317,633. Allison Cook seconds.

Discussion: Tori Stutzman believes they do a great job around campus with plays and other activities which is why she is in favor of the budget. Jessica Hand notes that she had previously posed many questions and Keller Coker was able to answer some of them via e-mail. She had asked if the free student tickets to the Smith Fine Arts series were only available the day of the performance. Keller Coker informed her that it was advertised in that fashion but that was due to internal miscommunication and would be remedied. She had also asked about the replacement of equipment and academic fees. Tom Bergeron notes that students paid a practice room fee; that fee could go towards equipment replacement. She adds that while tableing she was surprised that many students identified music and/or theatre as something that brought them to WOU.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Childcare

Vikas Sharma moves to approve the Childcare base budget at \$57,567. Rachel Ammons seconds.

Discussion: Allison Cook believes that childcare is a great thing to have at WOU and enjoyed seeing the children at open hearings. Jessica Hand agrees that it is great to have childcare and even more so that it is on campus. Rachel Ammons adds that having childcare available on campus allows for diverse populations. Evelyn Garcia is also in favor.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Extraordinary Travel

Allison Cook moves to approve the Extraordinary Travel base budget at \$6,000. Evelyn Garcia seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand notes that the fund is important for non-funded clubs and that students thought it was a cool feature when its purpose was explained.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Student Media

Evelyn Garcia moves to approve the Student Media base budget at \$167,225. Tori Stutzman seconds.

Discussion: Vikas Sharma believes Student Media does a good job with advertising events on and off campus. He adds that he has started listening to KWOU and it is pretty good. Evelyn Garcia adds that she sees it as an outlet for student creativity. Jessica Hand appreciates that The Journal is covering the IFC process and believes students are more informed because of it.

The motion passes 7-0-1

Health & Wellness Center

Miguel Sanchez moves to approve the Wellness Center base budget at \$915,357. Evelyn Garcia seconds.

Discussion: Carter Craig believes the Wellness Center to be a well-used facility and a point of interest for prospective students. Vikas Sharma adds that Rip Horsey and his gang take good care of the Wellness Center. Rachel Ammons notes that when she was a prospective student on a tour of campus her tour guide was unable to answer many of her questions but she was still impressed with the Wellness Center. Jessica Hand gives Rip Horsey kudos for having less than 2% rollover of the entire budget.

The motion passes 7-0-1.

Club Sports

Carter Craig moves to approve the Club Sports base budget at \$44,906. Tori Stutzman seconds.

Discussion: Rachel Ammons notes there were a lot of rugby players at the second open hearing and it was nice to hear from them. Evelyn Garcia adds that Women's Rugby won their match over the weekend.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Intramurals

Evelyn Garcia moves to approve the Intramurals base budget at \$41,330.

Allisonn Cook seconds.

Discussion: Miguel Sanchez points out that there is no Men's Soccer within Athletics but the opportunity to play is housed within Intramurals; many students benefit. Allison Cook agrees that it gives students the opportunity be involved in sports outside of Athletics. Evelyn Garcia adds that she has started paying soccer and is having a fun.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Student Leadership & Activities

Jessica Hand moves to approve the Student Leadership & Activities base budget at \$285,338. Vikas Sharma seconds.

Discussion: Tori Stutzman believes the do a good job with events and giving back to the student body; Vikas Sharma agrees.

The motion passes 7-0-1.

Student Activities Board

Vikas Sharma moves to approve the Student Activities Board base budget at \$60,781. Allison Cook seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand sees SAB as another place where students have direct control over the fee and are gaining leadership skills. Carter Craig sees it as beneficial programming.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Wolf Ride

Vikas Sharma moves to approve the Wolf Ride base budget at \$23,519.

Evelyn Garcia seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand knows, as a former driver, that the service is widely utilized by a diverse group of students and considers it an important resource. Rachel Ammons agrees and feels that she would have utilized the service if she had been a freshman at WOU. She adds that at the second open hearing

breakout session, some students voiced that the services was sometimes used just to go a couple of blocks to avoid the rain. Jessica Hand verifies that on occasion there have been short distance requests to stay out of the rain and it is one of the great things about the service; there may be students who prioritize buying groceries over a jacket. Carter Craig adds that in addition to the weather there may also be safety concerns that are addressed with this resource.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Service Learning & Career Development

Evelyn Garcia moves to approve the Service Learning & Career Development base budget at \$8,030. Allison Cook seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand clarifies that it IFC funds some of the career resources such as the etiquette dinner and she considers them beneficial to students. Evelyn Garcia agrees that they offer many opportunities for students to become successful.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Werner University Center

Allison Cook moves to approve the Werner University Center base budget at \$938, 396. Tori Stutzman seconds.

Discussion: Carter Craig sees a healthy sized crowd when he is in the building; nice environment. Tori Stutzman adds that she is in the building on a daily basis and it is always busy for a variety of reasons; Miguel Sanchez and Evelyn Garcia agree. Jessica Hand notes that the WUC is the student union building and is important to the cohesiveness of the university and also likes that the freebie Fridays are promoting it. Carter Craig adds that his grandparents recently visited and were very impressed with the building; it's an integral part of campus.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Plan-it-Wolf

Carter Craig moves to approve the Plan-it Wolf base budget at \$0.00. Evelyn Garcia seconds.

Discussion: Jessica hand thinks it is really sad bit she understands that the world is changing. Carter Craig adds that 3-4 students that he spoke to were also saddened but they moved past it.

The motion passes 6-2-0.

Enhancements

Computer Reserve

Jessica Hand moves to create a computer replacement reserve at \$30,500. Allison Cook seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand notes that she is very excited to fund the computer replacement reserve and gives department heads the safety/comfort that there is a plan in place. Carter Craig thinks it is a solid solution; Evelyn Garcia agrees.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Corbin Garner asks if there is a plan to implement the replacement reserve. Darin Silbernagel responds that the first step will be to update the inventory and then go from there.

Jessica Hand moves to recess for 10 minutes. Rachel Ammons seconds. Acclamation is called. Seeing no dissent, the motion passes at 7:45pm.

The meeting is called back to order at 7:55pm by Quinn Forner, IFC Chair.

Quinn Forner reminds the Committee that it is important to have discussion so it is on record for the ASWOU Senate, as they will be approving the process. Jessica Hand adds that discussion should be had to ensure that they are doing their job as IFC members and not just for the ASWOU Senate.

Vikas Sharma moves to approve the enhancements for Student Media. Jessica Hand agrees. After further discussion the Committee decides to vote on the enhancements individually; Vikas Sharma withdraws his motion.

Student Media

Evelyn Garcia moves to approve the enhancement for the professional staff development in the amount of \$537. Vikas Sharma seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand expresses that anything to get students as excited as she is to get the paper is important; Rachel Ammons agrees.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Vikas Sharma moves to approve the color printer enhancement for \$292. Evelyn Garcia seconds.

Discussion: Carter Craig notes that printers are important for print media.

Vikas Sharma agrees that students are looking for better quality.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Vikas Sharma moves to approve the KWOU app enhancement for \$393. Tori Stutzman seconds.

Discussion: The Committee members agree that the app will be beneficial for student. Jessica Hand adds that her only KWOU interactions involved walking by the office when they were located in the WUC, now that they are more isolated the app offers further access.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Abby's House

Vikas Sharma moves to approve the printer and ink enhancement for \$201.

Evelyn Garcia seconds.

Discussion: The Committee members question the intended use of the printer vs. the use of the Print Shop. Mary Ellen Dello Stritto clarifies that they will still be going through the Print Shop for bigger jobs but would use the printer for small jobs. She adds that the enhancement request includes one set of refill cartridges and they will find the funds for addition ink with their budget.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Vikas Sharma moves to approve the speaker enhancement for \$1,611. Allison Cook seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand confirms that Abby's House puts o 30 events each year. Rachel Ammons expresses her jealousy at the possibility of the speaker coming to WOU. Evelyn Garcia asks if it would be the speaker's first time at WOU; Mary Ellen confirms it would be. Allison Cook adds that with the popularity of *Orange is the New Black* there will be many student who will know who the speaker is and be excited.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Evelyn Garcia moves to approve the national Women's Studies Association membership enhancement for \$376. Allison Cook seconds.

Discussion: Rachel Ammons believes it is something everyone can benefit from. Evelyn Garcia agrees and adds that the included student memberships are cool.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

ASWOU

Vikas Sharma moves to approve the Byte Club enhancement at \$1,200. Tori Stutzman seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand has seen the club tableing and believes they are doing a great job of promoting themselves. Carter Craig notes that he has encountered many computer science majors and believes the club caters to their needs and offers additional opportunities.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Rachel Ammons moves to approve the Luau enhancement at \$500. Allison Cook seconds.

Discussion: Vikas Sharma notes that the Luau brings in a lot of community members and offers an opportunity to share ones' culture. Jessica Hand is not in favor of funding the enhancement. Michael Freeman notes that their anticipated revenue is in the \$6,000 range but has not been obtained for a few years which impacts the quality of the event. Jessica Hand understands that but does not believe it is unreasonable to ask the club to continue fundraising for the luau. Rachel Ammons believes that it is a worthwhile event which benefits many and is in favor of funding it. Quinn Forner points out that there are also several students who also enjoy the Athletic events. Carter Craig responds that the scale is different between the two. Michael Freeman points out that the Hawaii club's entire budget is a little over \$600 and they fundraise all year to put on the Luau. Allison Cook, Miguel Sanchez and Tori Stutzman agree with Jessica Hand; not unreasonable to ask them to continue fundraising. Jessica Hand notes that she was unaware their budget was in the \$600 range and they fundraised so much.

Evelyn Garcia calls to question. Vikas Sharma seconds. Seeing no discussion it moves to a vote: 8-0-0.

The committee then votes on the original motion: 6-2-0.

Allison Cook moves to approve the LSAT Prep enhancement for \$214. Tori Stutzman seconds.

Discussion: Rachel Ammons is in favor because it will enhance careers after WOU; Jessica Hand agrees.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Tori Stutzman moves to approve the replacement copier enhancement at \$6,060. Miguel Sanchez seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand questions where the capitalized funding will come from. Corbin Garner states that the current copier expense line items are going towards reducing the replacement cost but could later go towards the capitalization or cut out. Jessica Hand thinks it's important to look into the future and be prepared when an item fails.

The motion passes 7-1-0.

Jessica Hand moves to approve the 5 hour increase enhancement to the ASWOU Director of Clubs and Organization position for \$1,173. Allison Cook seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand is in favor of funding because it is important to have a person available to communicate with clubs. Miguel Sanchez like OrgSync is the new Facebook for WOU and sees more students using it; he would like to see it grow.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Creative Arts

Jessica Hand moves to approve the drumline director enhancement at \$2,148. Rachel Ammons seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand notes that a student spoke to the enhancement during open hearing but it is important to keep in mind that it is student run, and club presidents do not get paid. Rachel Ammons explains that there are two people co-leading and it is a lot of work and they would rather not be doing it currently. She adds that the Drumline is all over social media; Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook. Carter Craig notes that the difference between a club president and a director is that a director is more technical. He adds that Drumline is so loud and ruckus that it bleeds through social media. Tori Stutzman thinks that every leader would probably rather be paid than no. She believes that since the group started out as student led it should remain as such. Rachel Ammons does not think there is anyone who will step up as director. Tori Stutzman thinks it is unfortunate that the two students currently directing are graduating but if it was a club president leaving that would be that. Jessica Hand notes that being a Committee member is a lot of work but they do it because they are passionate about it; if no one is passionate enough to continue the Drumline then that speaks for itself. Tom Bergeron explains that the issue is not a lack of passion but rather that they do not have the technical training. Justin Ross notes that if the director is doing more than a club president then they should be paid for that. He also asks the Committee if they are apprehensive about a non-student or paying in general. Rachel Ammons sees it as the equivalent of paying a coach. Vikas Sharma asks if there are other options if IFC does not fund it. Tom Bergeron notes that the two individuals currently involved are unusually skilled and when they leave the students will be left with nothing. Rachel Ammons adds that one of the guys has already graduated but continues to help. Vikas Sharma asks if a faculty member could train current students. Tom Bergeron notes that would

involve making it a class and that is something that is not part of the curriculum. Jessica Hand asks if the current director could start prepping students to take over next year. Tom Bergeron notes that there is a level of unusual expertise that cannot simply be passed on.

The vote is tied 4-4-0.

In case of a tie the Chair must vote. Jessica Hand asks that the Chair, Quinn Forner, speak to his vote.

Quinn Forner votes against the motion because he sees it as a club and is in favor of reducing the fee.

The motion fails 4-5-0.

Rachel Ammons asks if the Committee is going to discuss the enhancements with dashes. Jessica Hand explains that the Committee voted not to do so during preliminary decisions. Rachel Ammons expresses that she is disappointed. Jessica Hand explains that the Committee can reconsider discussing any of the enhancements.

Allison Cook moves to approve the 2% increase for musicians for CAD941, CAD936, CAD935, CAD934, CAD933, and CAD932. Rachel Ammons seconds.

Discussion: Rachel Ammons thinks they are normal increases and she is in favor of funding it. Jessica Hand does not think it should be funded and believes the 2% could be absorbed. Carter Craig does not see the need of waiting until it is super necessary to fund the increases when they can be done in increments. Jessica Hand notes that none of the other departments asked for a 2% increase for supplies. She adds that SLA also brings a variety of performers and they did not ask for a 2% increase.

The motion passes 5-3-0.

Rachel Ammons wants to discuss the 2% increases in travel because she believes it gives students the opportunity to grow their careers and would equate it to LSAT prep. Rachel Ammons moves to approve the 2% increase in travel within CAD941, CAD936, CAS934, CAD933, and CAD932 for their full amount. There is no second.

Allison Cook moves to approve the subsidized tickets for \$9,600. Rachel Ammons seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand does not think they should ask all students to pay just so a few students can get free tickets. She adds that she attempted to get a ticket but the box office was closed on both occasions and the tickets were

sold out on the day of the performance. Evelyn Garcia thinks it is a good one-time enhancement to gather numbers on the use of subsidized tickets to facilitate decision making in the future.

The vote is tied 4-4-0.

Quinn Forner believes the data the Committee is requesting can be gathered from the current year and be presented by Creative Arts if they choose to make the request the following year.

The motion does not pass 4-5-0.

Athletics

Allison Cook moves to approve the weight room treadmill for \$1,400. Evelyn Garcia seconds.

Discussion: Rachel Ammons notes that it is not just student athletes who use the weight room but also some classes, so it benefits the whole student body. Evelyn Garcia states, in the words of Megan Habermann, safety is sexy; therefore the treadmill should be funded. Barb Dearing reminds Evelyn that the \$1,400 is only half of the cost. Jessica Hand states that she is in favor of fully funding the treadmill and not the headset. Rachel Ammons and Miguel Sanchez are also in favor of fully funding the treadmill.

Jessica Hand moves to amend the motion by striking out \$1,499 and replacing it with \$3,163. Allison Cook seconds.

The amendment passes 8-0-0.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Allison Cook moves to approve the softball padding for \$4,845. Tori Stutzman seconds.

Discussion: Allison Cook points out that it is both an NCAA requirement and a safety concern; Rachel Ammons agrees. Jessica Hand notes that it is mandated and they already have the challenge of their base.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Rachel Ammons moves to approve the track hammer and discuss net for \$4,296. Tori Stutzman seconds.

Discussion: Allison Cooke notes that she is trying to avoid a conflict of interest but feels that it is a major safety concern because the net has rather large holes in it. Carter Craig notes that since most of the field games are modeled after Greek warfare that there should be safety measures. Tori Stutzman agrees that it is a safety concern and should be funded.

The motion passes 7-0-1.

Barb Dearing requests the Committee considers the electronic medical records and the weight room bumpers from a safety perspective before discussing the headset. She also asks they consider the cheer uniforms as that is truly the only club within Athletics.

Vikas Sharma moves to approve the football headset for \$43,712. Rachel Ammons seconds.

Discussion: Rachel Ammons sees it as a big safety concern and understands that it has a 10 year lifespan. Jessica Hand does not think IFC is the right source of funding as it carries a high increase to the fee and open hearings provided feedback in regards to the fee being unfair. She adds that if the enhancement is funded it is a lot of money for a small group of students; last year football received the largest enhancement. Rachel Ammons notes that their base budget already took a decrease and asks if football is the most popular sport. Barb Dearing responds that they have the largest venue for potential fans. Quinn Forner clarifies that the question was in reference to numbers as opposed to potential. Barb Dearing responds that yes football is the most popular. Jessica hand understands there is a need for the headset but does not believe students should be paying it out of pocket. Quinn Forner asks how much the headset would increase the fee. Jessica Hand responds that it would increase the fee by \$2.36. Rachel Ammons reiterates that if the headset has a 10 year lifespan then it will benefit 10 years' worth of students. Jessica Hand notes that they are not asking 10 years' worth of students to pay for the headset. She adds that they preliminarily approved the headset for feedback. Carter Craig notes that football player felt that it was a necessary item while the general student sees it as a big ticket item. Justin Ross notes that as a capitalized item the headset would never come before the IFC again. Vikas Sharma notes that out of 20 different student athletes he spoke to, 15 said they didn't want to fund the headset because they were not part of the program. He adds that he spoke to the football coach, after the first open hearing, and he made it seem like there is an alternate route to fund the headset. Rachel Ammons spoke to student athletes and they were comfortable with funding the headset. Carter Craig thinks that everyone who manages a budget has a second route but it is not as pleasant as the first. Tori Stutzman agrees that while a second route may not be as wonderful as the first, she would like to see football try the second route first; it's not fair to ask all students to pay. Barb Dearing notes that if there is a second route that is news to her and Glen Harris and hopes the coach has identified a donor.

The motion does not pass 3-5-0.

Jessica Hand suggests discussing some of the items Barb Dearing previously brought up. Evelyn Garcia agrees and would like to consider the electronic medical records.

Miguel Sanchez moves to approve the electronic medical records. Allison Cook seconds.

Discussion: Carter Craig believes there is greater risk due to added travel time and believes the software would be great to have. Rachel Ammons adds that if she had to see her doctor and her files were not readily available that would be a major issue. Corbin Garner adds that most medical facilities have gone digital.

The motion passes 7-1-0.

Allison Cook thinks they should consider the weight room bumper; not just for student athletes but also the community as a whole.

Allison Cook moves to approve the weight room bumpers at \$2,589. Rachel Ammons seconds.

Discussion: Allison Cook notes that weights can be dropped in the rubber room and if the weights are broken or cracked it prevents students from doing what is needed. Rachel Ammons notes that if they are broken and can't be dropped the way they are meant to then they can't perform properly and efficiently and they could hurt themselves. Miguel Sanchez recalls hearing that classes also use the bumpers and questions if the academic side can pay a portion of it. Barb Dearing notes that they could ask them for a portion of it but it is predominately used by student athletes.

The motion does not pass 3-4-1.

Barb Dearing asks that the Committee consider the cheerleading uniforms.

Carter Craig moves to fund the cheerleading uniforms. Rachel Ammons seconds.

Discussion: Rachel Ammons notes that she was appalled by the torn uniforms. Miguel Sanchez adds that there were 2 cheerleaders at one of the breakout sessions and they stated that they already had to pay a lot out of pocket.

Jessica Hand understands that but also notes that since Athletics received a cut they will have an opportunity to reprioritize as needed. Carter Craig notes that cheerleaders have a big impact and does not feel that a budget that has been cut needs to find a headset, and other things will be able to find the funds.

Randi Lydum adds that students are paying over \$200 for uniforms because

they are custom made. Evelyn Garcia was a cheerleader in high school and the cost of her 3-piece uniform was expensive. She also notes that male cheerleaders do not typically wear the same uniform as the female cheerleaders. Rachel Ammons notes that uniforms have been reused for at least 3 years which can be rather tough since they are custom made. Miguel Sanchez asks where the funding could come from if not from IFC. Barb Dearing responds that her department will prioritize travel, and pre-season and then see if there are additional funds available.

The motion fails 3-4-1.

Campus Recreation

Quinn Forner reminds the Committee that there are some e-mails in regards to the climbing wall in their packets.

Allison Cook moves to approve the HWC maintenance at \$8,483. Tori Stutzman seconds.

Discussion: Miguel Sanchez notes that it all goes back to when you first come to WOU and the HWC looked amazing, it's important to keep it looking great. Rachel Ammons adds that if the facility is unclean no one would want to use it. The motion passes 7-1-0.

Rachel Ammons moves to approve the climbing wall student wages at \$3,677. Carter Craig seconds.

Discussion: Rachel Ammons thinks it is important that the wall be maintained. Carter Craig may have been banking on the idea that volunteers would continue doing it but, via the e-mails, it is clear that the volunteers understand they should be getting paid. Justin Ross notes that approving the enhancement would mean student dollars would be going directly to student pockets. Jessica Hand asks how many students use the climbing wall. Rip Horsey notes they had over 1,400 visits last year and they have lots of events. Matt Hanfling notes that he has used the climbing wall as part of a class and it can get pretty gross; it needs to be a safe/hygienic atmosphere. Evelyn Garcia adds that a clean wall is a happy wall.

The motion passes 7-1-0.

Rachel moves to approve the wages for cleaning for \$2,751. Allison Cook seconds.

Discussion: Carter Craig believes students are opposed to germs and it is important to keep everything clean. Allison Cook notes that it is a cheaper option that going through the Physical Plant. Evelyn Garcia notes that

everything is cleaned properly it should extend their life. Tori Stutzman adds that cleanliness is important and it is going back to the students. Quinn Forner clarifies that the enhancement does not increase the number of hours but rather pays for the hours being worked. Jessica Hand questions if students have been volunteering. Rip Horsey responds that students have been paid but it is not something that has been worked into the budget previously. Jessica Hand asks if the funds have been removed from the summer allocation. Rip Horsey clarifies that summer allocation does not account for labor. The motion passes 6-2-0.

Jessica Hand asks for a fee change update. The fee has increased by \$4.

Allison Cook moves to approve the aquatic center UV light at \$1,642. Evelyn Garcia seconds.

Discussion: Carter Craig thinks it is better that the lights be professionally installed for liability reasons. Miguel Sanchez thinks it is a great investment in case there is a malfunction. After some discussion Rip Horsey explains that the UV lights are located in the maintenance room and the wavelengths kill the gross stuff in the water.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Jessica Hand moves to extend the meeting until the Committee is done. Carter Craig seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand notes it would be smart to finish tonight because the ASWOU Senate meets on Wednesday. Allison Cook adds that she will be unable to attend the Thursday meeting and would like her voice heard.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Allison Cook moves to approve the Exec Support Specialist at \$36,079.

Rachel Ammons seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand understands the benefit but notes it looks like the University is projecting a flat rate in enrollment they will be serving the same number of students. She understand that the position could help recruit paying members but she does not believe that it is the year to fund it. Carter Craig did some research and there is a 2% decrease in enrollment across the U.S. and believes the position could help increase enrollment. Rachel Ammons asks if the Committee members would be more comfortable with the lower position. Jessica Hand thinks that if something is approved it should be the option currently discussed but does not think it is the right year to fund it. Rip Horsey notes that the funds would directly impact the students utilizing the facility; it

is strategic and setting up Campus Recreation for success. Rachel Ammons is ok with funding the request.

The motion is tied 4-4-.

Quinn Forner does not feel that this is the appropriate year to fund the request; a reduced fee would be more beneficial.

The motion does not pass 4-5-0.

Justin Ross asks if the Committee would consider voting on the lower level option for clarity purposes.

Rachel Ammons moves to approve the lowest funding option. Allison Cook seconds.

Discussion: Carter Craig notes that all the statements of support in the previous discussion apply to the current discussion.

The vote is ties 4-4-0.

Quinn Forner believes the current system works for now.

The motion does not pass 4-5-0.

Jessica Hand moves to recess for 10 minutes. Allison Cook seconds.

Acclamation is called. Seeing no dissent, the motion passes at 10:39pm.

Vikas Sharma leaves during the recess due to illness.

The meeting is called back to order at 10:49pm by Quinn Forner, IFC Chair.

Student Leadership & Activities

Evelyn Garcia moves to approve the Stonewall Center programming funds at \$2,500. Allison Cook seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand asks what happened to the ASWOU programming funds that were moved over in the previous year. Patrick Moser responds that when SLA received a cut last year the director, at that time, had to assess where to apply the cuts and applied it to those funds. Jessica Hand was under the impression that the stonewall center funds was presented as an enhancement. Corbin Garner clarifies that it was a transfer of funds. Brandon Neish adds that the enhancement piece was the position extension. Rachel Ammons thinks it would be pertinent to fund the programming because it serves a diverse group of people.

The motion passes 6-1-0.

Allison Cook moves to approve the boot camp travel at \$1,144.50. Evelyn Garcia seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand asks when the person would attend the conference since the funding amount is only a portion of the overall request. Patrick Moser explains that they would need to wait until they have the full amount because it is not currently in their budget.

Jessica Hand moves to amend the motion to add ‘which would rollover every two years.’ Evelyn Garcia seconds.

The amendment passes 7-0-0.

The motion passes 6-1-0.

Wolf Ride

Evelyn Garcia moves to approve the ADA accessible van at \$7,037. Tori Stutzman seconds.

Discussion: Carter Craig notes that many of the students he spoke to were excited and surprised that it was not already an option. Jessica Hand notes that this request may negate the necessity of a navigator since the van is smaller. Tori Stutzman thinks it is a great idea when anything is made more accessible to people.

The motion passes 7-0-0.

Werner University Center

Allison Cook moves to approve the furniture for \$4,296. Tori Stutzman seconds.

Discussion: Miguel Sanchez notes that he has been in meetings where the tables were quite damaged. Evelyn Garcia notes the Committee previously discussed chair safety and she was still in favor of that.

The motion passes 7-0-0.

Jessica Hand moves to approve the -\$1 change to the base budgets and a \$6 increase to enhancements for a total change of \$5; for a total fee of \$327 per tem which is a 1.55% increase. Tori Stutzman seconds.

Discussion: Evelyn Garcia notes that the Committee had healthy discussion with full participation.

The motion passes 7-0-0.

Summer

Creative Arts

Jessica Hand asks if summer requests are the same as the current allocation. Brandon Neish confirms that is true with the exception of the administrative overhead increase.

Jessica Hand moves to approve the Creative Arts summer base budget at \$32,240. Evelyn Garcia seconds.

Discussion: Carter Craig supports fully funding. Jessica hand does not see a need to decrease summer base budgets; Rachel Ammons agrees.

The motion passes 6-1-0.

Jessica Hand moves to approve the Campus recreation summer base budget at \$63,655. Allison Cook seconds.

Discussion: Rachel Ammons asks if the HWC can be used the summer after graduation. Rip Horsey and Darin Silbernagel confirm that the center can be used the summer after graduating.

The motion passes 7-0-0.

Allison Cook moves to approve the Student Leadership & Activities summer base budget at \$14,555. Rachel Ammons seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand notes that the summer allocation is mostly for heatwave concerts and thinks it is important that the events are provided.

Rachel Ammons adds that she was around during the summer and was able to listen occasionally.

The motion passes 6-0-1.

Evelyn Garcia moves to approve the Werner University Center summer base budget at \$15,511. Allison Cook seconds.

Discussion: Allison Cook reiterates that the WUC is a student building and it is important that it be maintained throughout the summer.

The motion passes 7-0-0.

Enhancements

Creative Arts

Because the Committee approved the 2% increase for musicians on the academic year they want to consider it for the summer as well.

Jessica Hand moves to approve 2% increases for musicians for a total of \$116. Tori Stutzman seconds.

Discussion: The Committee agrees that the previous discussion for the academic year also applies to the summer request.

The motion passes 7-0-9.

Childcare

Jessica Hand moves to approve \$8,866 for a summer program. Evelyn Garcia seconds.

Discussion: Jessica Hand realizes that the request is a significant impact to the fee but believes it will have an equal impact on summer students and is worth funding; Carter Craig agrees.

The motion passes 6-1-0.

Campus Recreation

Jessica Hand moves to approve \$1,500 for the turf field. Allison Cook seconds.

Discussion: Corbin Garner asks if there is a current plan in place for monitoring the turf field. Rip Horsey notes that people who usually use the facility give them a heads up if they encounter unauthorized users. Jessica Hand understands wanting to keep unauthorized users off the field but doesn't believe that policing is the best route.

The motion does not pass 3-4-0.

Student Leadership & Activities

Jessica Hand moves to approve SLA for an additional heatwave concerts at \$537. Allison Cook seconds.

Discussion: Miguel Sanchez notes that during subcommittee it was clear that the events were well attended and therefore he would be in favor of funding an additional concert. Carter Craig likes that those paying for the heatwaves will be enjoying them.

The motion passes 6-1-0.

Jessica Hand moves to approve a change to the summer fee in the amount of \$9 for a total fee of \$121. Allison Cook seconds. The motion passes 7-0-0.

8. Announcements

Patrick Moser announces that the building is open until midnight and anyone leaving after that time should exit through the main entrance on the second floor.

Rachel Ammons encourages attendees to take any leftover cupcakes.

Evelyn Garcia asks Meg Artman about a dance she had previously mentioned. Meg notes that KWOU is hosting a dance on March 7 to help pay for the KWOU app.

Corbin Garner announces that ASWOU has a survey out on OrgSync in which they are hoping to get feedback on reevaluating student representation within

ASWOU. He encourages all students to take the survey and adds that one lucky individual will get a \$25 gift card to Yeasty Beasty.

Corbin Garner announces that ASWOU has been given to seats, for observation, during the faculty bargaining sessions. Meetings are Tuesdays at 5:30pm and all information observed is to remain confidential.

Malissa Larson notes that WAAM will be hosting seated Volleyball from 12:00 – 1:00pm on Tuesday February 17 at the Health & Wellness Center.

Zach Moffatt announces that the ASWOU senate is looking for additional senators. Currently there are six senators but the maximum is fifteen senators. Interested individuals should contact Zach for additional information.

Darin Silbernagel reminds everyone that the next meeting will be on Thursday (2/19) and suggests starting budget notes then.

Barb Dearing adds that after the Thursday meeting everyone could head down and watch the 18th nationally ranked Men's Basketball team play.

9. Adjournment

Evelyn Garcia moves to adjourn. Allison Cook seconds. Acclamation is called. Seeing no dissent the meeting adjourns at 11:46pm.