



## **Services and Activities Fee Committee Minutes**

**March 15th 2017 PAT 244 2:30-4:30 PM**

- 1) Call to order 2:30 PM
- 2) Attendance
  - a) Mike Cardenas, ASEWU Director of Finance/ Chair – Absent
  - b) Kiel Frey, Student-at-large / Vice-Chair – Absent
  - c) Elizabeth Shimamoto, Student-at-large – Present
  - d) Madi Casto, Student-at-large – Present
  - e) Jaime Olguin, Student-at-large – Present
  - f) Jevion Knox, student at large- Present
  - g) Shauna Coleman, Student Accounting Office- Present
  - h) Sally Arel, EWU Budget Office – Present
  - i) Brock Sieb, Housing and Residential Life - Present
  - j) Noe Valdovinos, Outreach Specialist – Absent
  - k) Stacey Morgan Foster, VP Student Affairs – Ex-Officio – Absent
  - l) Cody Koch, ASEWU President – Ex-Officio – Absent
  - m) Samantha Armstrong-Ash- Present
- 3) Review of Minutes from 3.13.17
  - a) Sally motioned to approve the minutes with corrections and Brock seconded
- 4) Old Business- These items were moved to the next meeting
  - a) PRIDE Center
  - b) Office of Community Engagement
  - c) Campus Rec Shuttle Bus
  - d) Theatre

## 5) New Business

### a) Presentations

#### i) Sheila - Music 2:30

- Guest Artists: Music Education and performances at noon on Wednesdays
- Give a music lesson then a full performance with Q&A at the end
- Would like to bring groups open to the community not just music students
- Music Tours: have ensembles travel to different schools to show students their group and answer questions to high school students
- Recruiting for potential students at EWU
- Equipment:
- Have to make sure their instruments are tuned
- Transportation of instruments
- Using up to date equipment teaches students how to use equipment they are going to be using when they enter the field
- Sounds/looks better and helps students put their best foot forward when performing
- Competitions: represent EWU on a broader scale
- Had a student representing eastern at a large conference where he was one of 5 students chosen, all of which all the students went to top schools in the nation.
  - The music department could not pay for him get to the conference completely
  - Want to help Eastern as a whole, not all musicians are music majors
- Festivals:
- Jazz- 1,000 high school students on campus
  - Three concerts throughout the week to showcase all their different ensembles
- Over 100 performances each year in the music building
- Students enter for free
- Every Wednesday at noon

#### Questions:

- Have you looked at other ways to fund conferences? ASEWU?
  - Can't get funding unless presenting or performing, not just learning about the music

## Marching Band

- Biggest audience out of all ensembles because they perform at all games and if our athletics continues to succeed they are shown on a national level
- Uniforms
- Typically don't fit the students correctly because students are their tailors, not professionals
- Equipment
- Staff of 7 people: visual instructor, music director, two drill writers, color guard instructor, etc.
- Instrument upkeep/ tuning
- Upkeep happens more often because they didn't have enough money to purchase better equipment
- Fly like an eagle day- when high school students come to see the band
- Day before a game where the marching band goes on the field with high school students and work with them
- High school students play fly like an eagle with the marching band
- They don't get lunch together though
- Providing lunch would allow more conversation between high school and collegiate members
- This is a class, but they have to be there during the summer to prepare for football games
- Can't help students with outside costs before school starts
- Questions:
- Why did the president stop funding this?
- President paid for base dollars but not the extra \$47,000
- If not fully funded they wouldn't be able to perform on the field for halftime shows, tailgates, pep rallies, etc.
- Fly like an eagle day? Please elaborate on mentoring
- This day allows students that are not music education majors to teach kids
- The money funded wouldn't go towards revenues
- What other places of revenues in your department have you looked towards?
- The only place they get revenue is from the marching band, so there is nothing extra
- Don't charge for concerts because attendance gets low
- Typically don't get asked to perform for income either

- Provide services to the school already for free by performing whenever necessary.
- Ex.) Presidents' inauguration, diversity week, etc.
- **Kevin- EPIC 3:00**
  - Create/expand programming
  - Need more funds to not only do this but maintain services
  - Climbing Wall
  - Is now separate from EPIC, they have to contact them for services instead of having direct access
  - Professional staff
  - Have had a shortage of staff because of these contract changes
  - Must have a field supervisor for all trips
  - Going to have to hire a new field supervisor and add another position to the professional staff
  - Minimum Wage increase
  - All except 2 employees make minimum wage
  - Operations wages
  - Have 2 or 3 meetings per quarters
  - 16 student employees to separate/ specialize positions
  - Instead of going out into the field for 2-3 days, doing day trips
  - Fusion- students haven't been able to register online for trips or rentals previously, so this will eliminate this problem and allow easier booking
  - More stable than current system
  - Equipment
  - Request for a bus
  - Most trips have more than 7 people, but their current transportation only allots that much
  - Wants to gradually get more buses
  - Their buses go off road so they wear and get old faster
  - \$395,269 is the revised budget request to take into account their revenues
  - EPIC is seasonal, so the revenue will depend on the sun/snow
  - EPIC is meant to get students out trying things they've never tried at a cheap cost

- EPIC may be really good at outdoor activities, but haven't typically been good at business. Now they have learned to prioritize business and have been working at managing efficiently.
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- Questions:
- Spring quarter- backpacking trip actual price? Yes
- How price sensitive are your students/ do you think they can handle a price increase?
- No according to the loyalty points
- Sell out certain trips, not all
- Trips schedule a year out, so they don't know if weather will always permit for the trip and if they will sell out or have to cancel

**b) In depth Review of** –This item was moved to the next meeting

**i) Club Sports Federation**

**6) Supplemental Proposals- None for this meeting**

**7) Items up for Vote**

**a) We will vote on the decision to increase the S&A Fee**

- **Discussion:**
- Should we increase the fee at all?
- Minimum Wage Increase
- Discussion on legislative decisions on fee reduction
- Want to be fiscally responsible
- Want to service the students wants/needs
- With the decrease in student enrollment, we need to vote on at least a 2% increase to receive the same amount of money we had this year
- Discussion on programs free to students at EWU vs. other universities
  - Jaime motioned for the S&A Fee to increase by 10%
  - Motion was seconded by Elizabeth Shimamoto
- Discussion on the motion
  - Most cost effective school in Washington while already providing these services
  - These dollars go towards providing the enriching activities to students outside of academics
  - This money is for serving students, so increasing the fee isn't intending to hurt them
  - Activities are what keeps students engaged at EWU

- The impact if we don't raise it to 10% we aren't getting the funding for things students want/need like the multicultural center, athletics, etc. or fund new programs students are asking for as well.
- Brock motioned to vote
  - All in favor for the 10% increase: 7 for, 0 against, 0 abstain

#### **8) Other Business**

- Chicana/Chicano Studies- coming back to present on two separate proposals not relating to the previous proposal
- Previously approved \$40,000 for music program student wages for FY17, received \$20,288 back because the request was invalid. \$19,722 is what actually went through.
- Pride Center- needs another staff member to continue functioning, so keep this in mind for next meeting

#### **9) Adjourn-4:23 PM**