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SECTION 3 FACULTY SENATE

The University and the Union acknowledge the role of the Faculty Senate in shared governance. The Union represents faculty interests on wages, hours, and terms and conditions of employment. The Union shall endeavor to work collegially with the Senate.

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SECTION 5 MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

- 5.1 Unless specifically and expressly limited by the terms of this Agreement, the University retains all the customary and usual rights, decision making, management prerogatives, functions and authority connected with or in any way incidental to its responsibility to provide overall leadership toward achieving all aspects of the University's mission and to manage the University or any part of it.
- 5.2 Unless otherwise expressly restricted by a specific provision of this Agreement, the University has the sole and exclusive right, in its discretion, to exercise the following rights, which are not meant to limit the provisions of 5.1:
 - A. Determine institutional quality standards in order to achieve the University's mission and strategic goals.
 - B. Control and manage operations and supervise and direct the work force.
 - C. Determine academic programs to be offered, how and when courses shall be scheduled and delivered to achieve strategic goals.
 - D. Determine, control and regulate operation of equipment, technology, facilities, physical plant and grounds, location of operations, closing of existing locations, and the relocation of work to achieve strategic goals.
 - E. Plan, establish, modify, reorganize, create, merge or eliminate programs, departments and courses of instruction.
 - F. Determine duties and responsibilities of bargaining unit members, standards of performance evaluation, assignments, responsibilities to be performed, scheduling of those responsibilities, persons employed, promotion, transfer, non-appointment, non-renewal or reassignment.
 - G. Determine the number, composition and type of academic and non-academic staff.
 - H. Control and direct expenditures from its funds and allocate resources.

- I. Develop, interpret, amend and enforce written policies and procedures governing the work force that do not conflict with specific provisions of this Agreement.
- J. Enter into contracts, cooperative arrangements, articulation agreements or other agreements with other educational institutions for the purpose of providing educational services to its students.
- K. Discipline and terminate bargaining unit members in accordance with the process in this Agreement.
- L. Adopt, revise and delete provisions of the Faculty Handbook.

Constitution of the Faculty of WWU and Faculty Senate Bylaws University Planning and Resource Council

BL7.4 University Planning and Resources Council [March 2014]

The University Planning and Resources Council (UPRC) shall be responsible to the Faculty Senate for the formation and review of policy and procedures in all aspects of University Planning and allocation of resources, with special emphasis on matters of concern to the faculty. The responsibilities of the UPRC shall include:

- 1. Assuring that the council is well-informed about issues regarding planning at the University, as well as its financial operations and financial status.
- 2. Regular review of the University Strategic Plan, either on the UPRC's own initiative, or as requested by the President, the Provost, or the Faculty Senate.
- 3. Recommendation of priorities to be used in preparing the University's biennial operating and capital budget request, in the allocation of appropriated resources, and in consideration of budget reductions.
- 4. Examination of resource implications for major changes in the academic program. From time to time the Council will review the adequacy of the resources devoted to existing programs.
- 5. Participation in the allocation of resources appropriated by the legislatures and review of how allocated resources are used at the University. It is not the role of the UPRC to attempt to direct or control the planning and budgetary process within the colleges and non-academic units, other than to provide broad general priorities.

BL7.4.1 Membership of the UPRC shall be as follows:

- a. Thirteen (13) faculty members to include: One faculty representative from each of the Colleges and the Library appointed by the respective college or library faculty governance committee for two year terms (8). To ensure effective communication between colleges and UPRC, each faculty representative will either be a standing member of his/her respective college governance committee or serve ex officio on his/her college governance committee;
- b. Two at-large faculty apportioned by the Faculty Senate and appointed by the respective college or library faculty governance committee annually (2); one faculty elected by and from the ACC annually (1); one faculty elected by and from the Faculty Senate annually (1), and a Chair appointed by the Faculty Senate for a two-year term (1);

- The Associated Students Vice President for Academic Affairs, and one student appointed by the Associated Students Board of Directors annually;
- d. One representative of the classified staff appointed annually;
- e. One presentative of the Professional Staff Organization appointed annually;
- f. The Executive Director of University Planning and Budgeting, *ex officio*, non-voting;
- g. Each university vice president or representative, *ex officio*, voting, including the Vice Presidents of 1) Academic Affairs, 2) Business and Financial Affairs, 3) Enrollment and Student Services, 4) University Advancement, and 5) University Relations.

University Planning and Resources Council members are appointed Spring Quarter. The members of the Council will elect a vice chairperson each spring after the appointment of new members to the Council.

The chair will receive released time of 0.33 FTEF release time, unless changed by the Faculty contract, from other duties to carry out the responsibilities of his/her office. The partial FTEF shall be returned to the UPRC chair's unit. The Provost shall arrange administrative support for the UPRC.

BL7.4.2 Executive Committee

The Executive Committee of the UPRC shall be made up of the chairperson, vice chairperson, the Associated Students Vice President for Academic Affairs, and the Provost. The Executive Committee is responsible for setting the meeting agendas, and is empowered to cancel meetings if there is not sufficient business or call extra meetings if they are necessary to complete business. The recorder also attends.

BL7.4.3 Meetings

The UPRC will meet fortnightly on Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. Copies of the approved minutes of meetings shall be forwarded to the Faculty Senate for approval and to college governance committees for discussion as soon as possible.

Western Washington University

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS CHARTER 2010

Preamble

We, the Students of Western Washington University, have the right and responsibility to achieve a system of shared governance. For this purpose the Associated Students of Western Washington University (ASWWU) has been established. The ASWWU will:

- Foster students' rights and responsibilities
- Promote the general welfare of students
- Establish channels of communication within the University
- Represent student interests and opinions to the University Administration, Board of Trustees, and appropriate governmental agencies

Article I - Membership

The membership of the ASWWU shall include all full-time, part-time, graduate, and undergraduate students who are registered for a minimum of one academic credit at Western Washington University.

Article II - Recognition

The ASWWU shall be the officially recognized student government of Western Washington University with the privileges associated with this recognition provided to by the Board of Trustees and state legislature. The ASWWU shall derive its authority to participate in the University governance from the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University.

Article III ~ Responsibilities

- Section 1. The ASWWU, as the primary representative of the students shall make every effort to meet the needs and concerns of the students.
- Section 2. The ASWWU membership shall elect a Board of Directors to a one year term, each academic year.

Section 3. The Board of Directors are elected:

 To serve as the representatives of the ASWWU to the Board of Trustees through the President, University Administration, Faculty Senate, State of Washington and other entities as necessary

- b. To make every effort to encourage student involvement in the development of university policies
- c. To consult with and report to any university bodies on matters of concern to students
- d. To be aware of university actions concerning students
- e. To inform the university community of actions taken by the ASWWU

Article IV ~ Granted Authorities

Section 1. The ASWWU shall be granted the authority to fulfill its responsibilities within the provisions set forth herein and to act in any University-related matter not specified within the constraints of University regulations, policies and procedures. In addition, the ASWWU shall also have the following granted authorities:

- a. To administer and appropriate monies allocated to the ASWWU by the Services and Activities Fee Committee to ensure continuous, safe, and efficient operations
- b. To obtain and review information made available on the affairs of the University
- To be included in the development of recommendations for the allocation of University funds
- d. To appoint student representatives to standing University committees, and other bodies upon request
- To be consulted with and be given reasonable opportunity to provide recommendations
 regarding any increases and renewals of all mandatory and voluntary student fees
- f. To be provided by the University Administration all information pertaining to the usage of student fee dollars
- g. To have a majority of student voting membership on fee committees overseeing mandatory and voluntary student fees with exception to the operating and building fees
- h. To reserve the right to have a student chair, in consultation with the University
 President or designee, on all committees overseeing and appropriating mandatory and
 voluntary student fee dollars with exception to the operating and building fees
- To employ students and staff in a manner consistent with those articles, regulations, policies and procedures of the University
- j. To allow the ASWWU Board of Directors to make decisions in creating and overseeing a program of student activities and services. These decisions may be reviewed by the University President or their designee

Article V - Agreements

Section 1. The ASWWU acts in partnership with the administration through involvement in the development and recommendation of general policy for the bookstore in addition to managing the net operating revenues of the AS Cooperative Bookstore.

Section 2. The Viking Union shall serve as the primary facility, provided by the University, for the ASWWU and its operations. The Viking Union will, in good faith, consult with the ASWWU regarding changes to the facility and operations of the Viking Union.

Section 3. The ASWWU may only be abolished by a vote of the membership of ASWWU. In such case the powers given herein become null and void.

Article VI - Bylaws and Amendments

The ASWWU shall have the authority to adopt bylaws, as necessary, to govern its organization and structure in a manner consistent with this charter and the policies, regulations, and procedures of the University. All amendments to this Charter must be approved by the ASWWU Board of Directors and the University President.

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AS Vice President for Business & Operations, Visgilio Cintron

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AS Vice President for

Activities, Colin Watrin



Associated Students of Western Washington UniversityBoard of Directors

A Resolution Regarding Shared Governance Accountability Date

WHEREAS, students at large are unaware of the shared governance structure of Western Washington University; and,

WHEREAS, the Associated Students Board of Directors have an overload of position responsibilities that gives them limited time to be able to talk to students about concerns; and,

WHEREAS, many committees, governance structures, policy, and decision making information are available online, but is difficult for student to access; and,

WHEREAS, university committees are often dominated by faculty, staff, and administration, which creates a power dynamic with decision making processes; and,

WHEREAS, 34% of all student positions in Associated Students and University committees are unfilled; and,

WHEREAS, there is no centralized way for current student committee members to share information with one another after they are appointed by the AS Board of Directors; and,

WHEREAS, there is no collaboration or accountability for a centralized way for programs, offices, courses, or any outreach that empower students to be involved in university decision making body and shared governance structures that ensure students are be able to communicate and advocate for their needs; and,

WHEREAS, once student representatives are appointed to university committees, there is no accountability in making sure that their voices are actually being heard, they are actively participating and in attendance, and the space is made to be safe for students; and,

WHEREAS, there is a disconnect between academic committees and the Associated Students, academic and departmental clubs, and students at large; and,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Associated Students provides a centralized posting physical space with information about shared governance and ways for students to get involved in committee representation and advocacy.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, the Associated Students urge University Committee chairs to be mindful of student workload, and provide a guiding document with adequate training and outreach to students that are going to be sitting in their committees.

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BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, the Associated Students urge the university president and its cabinet, including the Dean of Students unit to have public and accessible office hours available for students at large to meet.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, the Associated Students and the AS Structure Review Committee examine staffing needs of the AS and look into funding a full-time staff advisor for student government including the Board of Directors, Student Senate, and a liaison for AS and University Committees in order to have a cohesive and centralized governance structure for the AS.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, the Associated Students urge university committee chairs to increase the number of student voting representatives, and make sure that students have the autonomy and agency for their voices to be heard.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, the Associated Students work with Faculty Senate to increase the student voting membership in all Faculty Senate standing committees, college curricular committees, college governance councils, and restructure the duties of the AS Vice President for Academic Affairs, and the upcoming Student Senate.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, the Associated Students Board of Directors summer orientation include an in-depth overview of committee responsibilities and their role in representing student needs.

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