



ASBTC

Associated Students of Bellingham Technical College

Senate Meeting

Striving for Student Success

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Minutes

November 12, 2014

- **Call to order:** Meeting called to order by President Ryan Chapman at 11:10 am.
- **Attendance:**
 - ❖ Ryan, Trevor, Jennifer, Lyzz, Jason, Sam present @ 11:18 am
 - ❖ Absent:
 - ❖ Advisors: Malcolm
 - ❖ Clerical Support: Linda Ruthrauff
- **Reading and Approval of Minutes:**
 - ❖ Motion to approve minutes pending changes by Welding, 2nd Geomatics, 1 abstentions, approved.
- **Standing Reminders:**
 - Know Roberts Rules of Order
 - Report to your Programs

Senate expectations:

 - Take notes
 - Be actively involved
 - Conduct yourself in a professional manner
 - Follow Roberts Rules of Order
 - Report to your program.
- **Attendance:** Please see Trevor if you have any questions.

****If a senator misses a senate meeting minutes can be reviewed with program and signed off by advisor and then submitted to Trevor for an update to attendance.**

➤ **Visitor**

None

➤ **Funding Request:**

None

➤ **Current Business:**

- Election for Director of Finance will be held November 19, 2014
- Budget Review – Proposal for executive stipend increase. President to \$2,300 and other executives to \$1,800. Research shows the average, in Washington, for Executive is \$2250 for most other comparable institutions. Currently at \$131k in reserves, which has not been used as it was intended, will go back to the students via increased program funding. The increase includes \$50k directly back to the students. Also \$2.7k through increase in class celebrations. We will vote on the entirety of the budget, not each individual line item. If the proposed budget is not accepted by the Senate, we will go back to last year's budget. The reserve will not be able to be used if we go with last year's budget. Our current budget process policies are 6 months behind, all other schools do their budgets before the start of the fiscal year. We will be starting next year's budget in March so we can have an approved budget before the start of next fiscal year.
- Motion to vote on the proposed 2014 – 2015 budget by Electricians, 2nd by Instrumentation, approved.
- Motion to approve the proposed 2014 – 2015 budget by HVAC, 2nd by Welding, 33 approved, 3 opposed, 2 abstentions, approved.

➤ **Announcements:**

- ❖ Tech Tuesday - Get 10% off on Tuesdays in the campus store when you sport your BTC gear, receive double stamps in the coffee shop, purchase a cafeteria meal valuing \$3.50 or more and receive a 4 oz. jumbo cookie.
- ❖ Veterans Appreciation Luncheon November 14, 2014 11 am – 1 pm G102 All veterans are welcome to attend!
- ❖ November 20, 2014 Veterans student panel and BTC food pantry food drive 11 am – 12 pm in Settlemyer hall. Bring nonperishable food donations please!
- ❖ Clothing Drive sponsored by the BTC Diversity Committee December 1 – 12, 2014. Please bring warm winter clothing (new or gently used/clean – coats, gloves, hats, scarves) to the student center room 300. Children’s sizes are welcome as well.
- ❖ Senate meeting minutes are posted to the website the Monday after meetings by 12 pm.
- ❖ Senate meeting November 19, 2014 11 am Settlemyer Hall
- ❖ Executive meeting November 13, 2014 3:10 pm in CC 300
- ❖ SVA meeting every Thursday’s building G in room 102A
- ❖ PTK meeting every Tuesday’s 11am building G in room 102A. Rachel Worthy is the point of contact.
- ❖ Gaming Club – sign up in the student lounge. Meetings will be Friday’s at 3 – 5 pm

➤ **Motion to adjourn**

- Motion to adjourn by HVAC, Electronics 2nd, all approved. Meeting adjourned at 11:56 am.

Senate Meeting Minutes Approved By:

Jennifer Oakes, Director of Administrative Affairs-Minutes

Program: _____
Senator: _____
Instructor _____
Date: _____

Ryan Chapman, ASBTC President