



ASBTC Senate Meeting

Associated Students of Bellingham Technical College

Striving for Student Success

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MINUTES

January 22, 2014

- ❖ **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by President Marlon Jennings at 11:10 a.m.
- ❖ **Attendance:**
 - Gagan, Susan, Marlon, Todd, Mike
 - Advisors: Nicole & Linda
- ❖ **Reading and Approval of Minutes:**
 - Geomatics made a motion to approve the minutes, CNET 2nd, all approved.
- ❖ **Standing Reminders:**
 - Senate Expectations
 - Take notes
 - Be actively involved
 - Conduct yourself in a professional manner
 - Follow Roberts Rules of Order
 - Report to your program!
- ❖ **Attendance:** Marlon shared the current attendance. If anyone has questions or concerns regarding their attendance please talk to Gagan.
- ❖ **Guests:**
 - Jane Blume, Director, Library and Media Services. Announced “Whatcom Reads!” Events coming up – book selected “Wild” From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail, by Cheryl Strayed. Event details are available on whatcomreads.org. Jane handed out 5 of the books for ASBTC Senate to read and share. Jane is also working with a former student to arrange for him to come and speak to students regarding his hiking journies through the rockies and other locations, either in Settlemyer Hall or the Cafeteria. More information to follow.
 - Jake Fowler, Director of Enterprise Services. New position include overseeing the Campus Store, Cafeteria, Facility Rentals (external), Catering (external). First focus is on the Coffee Shop and a “Coffee Shop Improvements Focus Group” has been formed. Would like to add 2 to 4 students as well. Next Tuesday, 11 to 12:30 p.m. All students will receive an email – the first 4 to reply that they want to be involved will be selected. Also watch for future updates on merchandise in Campus store including apparel, logos, embroidery vs. patches. Feedback? Send to Jake or share with staff in the store. Campus store website will be updated soon to

include more information on used book prices for comparison shopping. Will be much more user friendly.

❖ **Funding Requests:**

❖ **Process Tech** – Requested \$3000.00 for upcoming event “College of the Mainland” during Spring Break. There was a selection process and the top 10 Students were selected to attend. During this event they will participate in classes, earn 3 college credits and work in the field of their program. Total expense is approximately \$8000.000 which includes transportation, air travel, rental car, food, fuel and activities. They are at 100% attendance. Legal made a motion to approve, Automotive 2nd, and 2 abstained, all others approved. A request was made that they present details on their travels/training back to senate after they return.

❖ **Student Advocacy:**

➤ Todd shared the following:

- Peer Mentoring Volunteers started January 8, 2014 – Thursday from 3 to 4 p.m. they will be attending “Safe Zone” Training at WWU
- Policies & Procedures – Still looking for volunteers to help create the new Policies & Procedures – meeting generally on Sunday’s but can adjust schedule to work for those interested. Part of this was creating a better process for voting – which Senate has now seen firsthand in the last two meetings.
- Student Rally – February 7, 2014. Rented a van, there are 5 seats taken – 10 more available. Leaving at 7 a.m., Todd will be driving, contact him if you want to go.

❖ **President Updates:**

- Director of Legislative Affairs – position is open, election will be next Wednesday. The job description was handed out. Please come to Senate meeting tomorrow at 3 p.m. if you are interested so you can see what we do.
- Classroom to Classroom – ASBTC Executives will be going to classes in the next few days to welcome students, offer Q & A.
- Blood Drive – January 27 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on BTC Campus
- Budget – the budget and constitution will be coming back to Senate for a new vote – very few changes.
- Culinary Arts – Congratulations on your Silver Medal at the Cordon Bleu Event
- Graduation Packets – Pick up in Student Services, if you are interested in volunteering for the Commencement Committee let Marlon know.
- Jeans & Teens – Welding is still asking for donations of Jeans

❖ **Adjournment**

- CNET made a motion to adjourn, Mechanical Engineering seconded, all approved. Meeting adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

Executive Meeting Minutes Approved By:

Susan Paull – Director of Administrative Affairs - Minutes

Marlon Jennings –ASBTC President
Senate Attendance

Program:
Senator:
Instructor:
Date: