GPSS Executive Committee Meeting – February 22, 2012, 5:30pm, Condon 401

Members Present:
Charles Plummer (President)
Adam Sherman (Vice President) via Skype
Colin Goldfinch (Treasurer)
Melanie Mayock (Secretary)
Amy Winter (Executive Senator)
Mateo Banegas (Executive Senator)
Evan Smith (ASUW Representative)
Trond Nilsen (Executive Senator)

Guests:
Ted Chen (Restructuring Committee)

1. Call to Order
Charles called the meeting to order at 5:32pm.

2. Approval of Agenda
Melanie moves to approve the agenda. Mateo seconds. No Objections. Motion passes.

3. Approval of Minutes
Charles wants to make changes to the minutes to reflect the spirit of some of his comments at the last meeting more accurately and to correct some numbers that were listed incorrectly. In item 5a it should be listed that speaking to the Board of Deans will occur on Feb 27.

Melanie moves to approve the minutes with Charles’ modifications. Mateo seconds. No Objections. The motion passes.

4a. Committee Appointees: Elections, Graduate Program Review.
Melanie reports that the fourth member of the new elections committee came in an hour ago. The committee now consists of:
- Alden Denny – Oceanography
- Noralis Rodriguez – Gender Women and Sexuality studies
- Brigit Stadler – Jackson school, Korean Studies
- Hunter Marston – Jackson School, SE Asia

Exactly 4 people have volunteered and there are 4 slots. Needs to confirm with Alden, but otherwise this list is ready to approve

Melanie moves to approve the committee as stated above. Colin seconds. No objections. The motion passes.
Melanie moves to approve Amber Trout for the Graduate Program Review Committee. Mateo seconds. No objections. The motion passes.

**4b. Election Process, Bylaw Amendment, and Restructuring**

Colin asks if Kristen Hosey should call in. Melanie says it wouldn’t hurt if she is available and suggests hearing from Ted Chen and Kristen to see where they are at, then going through the calendar on the white board.

Ted provides the following update on the actions of the Restructuring Committee:

> Within the past few weeks they have been getting input from the executive committee and Senators and through multiple surveys. From interview with the executive committee, it seems that most members agree on most things that should change—like creating another executive position of some kind—because some things don’t seem to be working in the current system.

> Also, the tuition fee waiver is making up a big chunk of the budget, and it apparently isn’t serving the purpose it was originally intended to serve, which is opening the field to more candidates.

> Overall, the Senators want to become more involved, but we don’t know how to implement that. There is a feeling that all the work gets done in a top-down fashion or in committees. Though anyone can join a committee, the question of how to get Senators to join and then feel like they are being useful is still open. There is a lot of good input coming in. Nothing too negative is coming in. Most feedback is very constructive and helpful. Unless some of the executive committee members are against certain things like taking out the tuition waiver, it looks like the restructuring committee is going to be passing on a lot of these recommendations on to the Senate.

Melanie asks what the committee will be prepared to present at Senate next week.

Ted says that they have not formally compiled everything into a single document. That can be done before next week. They have everything they need they just need to sit down and sort through it all.

Mateo asks if there will be materials to hand out during the Senate meeting.

Ted answered that he thought a slide presentation would be able to do it justice.

Melanie notes that at the April 4 Senate meeting the Senate will have to vote on bylaw amendments, approve the budget and approve the elections packet. That could be a lot to get through. She asks how can we start getting some of this information to Senators and start a big picture discussion before April 4th. She suggests allocating 30 min at Senate meeting for this presentation. That would allow sufficient time to present and have discussion.
Ted answers that that sounds fine. That is enough time to get people prepped and up to speed enough to vote on 4/4.

Charles says that the timeline for this whole project hasn’t been fully determined in his mind, so he has no comment yet.

Melanie suggests a discussion of the timeline.

Charles notes the Feb 29 presentation at the Senate meeting. Mateo asks if findings of recommendations will be presented. Ted answers that they will present findings, because there are no recommendations yet. He welcomes recommendations.

Melanie notes that the voting meeting is April 4. The bylaw amendments are supposed to be mailed out 7 days ahead – March 28. They should email out the budget as well. So, March 28 is their document deadline. Bylaws have to go through the Judicial Committee, and they are meeting on March 26. The budget goes through F&B and exec committees.

Charles suggests a joint meeting on the budget before the 28th. Colin says that this doesn’t make sense. If committees are together then they should review a finalized budget. Charles suggests a working group from both committees in order to draw up the budget. Colin agrees that this makes sense and suggests writing the budget over spring break when everyone actually has time to do it. A few executive members confirm that they will be available over spring break. Charles believes that this is feasible.

Melanie suggests a meeting on the 26th, the first day of class, and then points out that the process for budgets and bylaws are going to be different. The Restructuring Committee is going to give large scale changes to the Judicial Committee, which is going to change into a lot of small bylaw amendments. It’s going to be a long process. She suggests doing this over email. The meeting might only be when they vote on it.

Charles wants members of the executive committee drafting bylaws with judicial, rather than having executive members coming in at the last minute saying yes or no. They should be involved in drafting changes just like they are involved in drafting the budget.

Melanie notes that Judicial Committee sees itself as unbiased and technical. They are not making policy, they are just translating recommendations into language. Who makes the actual policy decisions? Colin said that the task force puts recommendations together, then works with the policy committee to make proposals for change. Melanie objects to there not being a broad proposal coming to the executive committee. The whole process feels very informal for such large changes being discussed.

Colin suggests setting up two phases for the working group over spring break. Have F&B work with executive committee on the budget, and then have the restructuring and judicial committees work with the executive committee on bylaws. There should be 2 meetings over spring break—1 to hammer out broad stroke changes, then a second meeting to give people time to digest and talk about implementing those changes.
Charles asks if they can’t get started before spring break. Melanie concurs and asks when they want to get a final doc from the restructuring committee. Charles says to expect that the week after next, around March 7. Charles also says that they could ask for a document on March 8 during their scheduled time. That gives the executive committee a week after the senate to take conversations at Senate meeting into account.

Charles suggests 4:30 as a meeting time on the 8th. Colin asks for 5:30. Ted will ask the committee if this time is possible.

Charles suggests another meeting before spring break, just to get everyone from all these committees together to sketch out what everyone’s job will be. Once we have recommendations, there’s no reason why we can’t get started immediately.

Melanie objects that this process still feels informal and will make Senate vote feel like rubber stamping. Charles answers that the judicial committee has the prerogative to make these changes. Trond says that so long as they supplement any meetings with the required consultation process, everything’s fine. They have to pass all these conversations and recommendations off to the right committee. And there will be discussion at the Senate meeting anyway.

Charles wants to make announcements about the working group too. If there are Senators on these committees, let them know.

Colin will send an email out tonight confirming people who will be around over spring break.

Melanie reminds the group that they still need to worry about suspending the bylaws for the election packet. Trond says that process for getting packets ready is quick. A lot of things are on board before April 4 and they should try to get updates in next week.

Melanie notes that the election packets talk about officer duties and pay, but that information might change on April 4. Trond says that having it change on the fly during the election is manageable. Let people know up front in the packet that they have will change. GPSS just need to get packet out as soon as possible

Colin says that this seems rushed. He thinks that best practice is to do all this over 120 day period, so GPSS is on a slightly shorter timeline but this is how it’s done, generally speaking.

Charles asks about the minimum information that election packets have to have. Trond points to the bylaws, article 5. They have to include the responsibility of officers, eligibility requirements, and the time, place, and procedures for voting. The key thing is listing the responsibilities of the different officers and to make sure that people are able to submit nominations after the bylaw meetings so that they can make their decisions based on the changes.

Colin suggests having elections committee send out an email saying “here are the bylaws”, because that avoids sending out information that we know will be false come the Senate meeting. Trond objects, saying that in this case GPSS won’t meet the requirements set out by the bylaws.
Melanie responds that they are planning to suspend the bylaws. Colin suggests sending out just the info they know will not change. Trond agrees that they should send out prelim packet. This is what we know now. It will change after the next meeting. Candidates want to think about it for a while. Colin adds that it should say that if someone wants to know what officers currently do, check out the bylaws on the website. Trond says that they should send out all the elections information so that GPSS meets its duties. Melanie says that it is better to only send out what we know and not have to change it.

Colin says that if they ask the elections committee to send out stuff on such a short timeline, they will need to free-up staff time. Trond says they don’t have to decide where nomination paper work goes to. It can just come to GPSS office. The elections chair simply must verify that a person is a student to be a candidate and must receive complaints. Those are the only responsibilities spelled out in the bylaws.

Charles notes that they are out of time for this agenda item.

Trond reiterates that they should send out as much as possible ASAP, and then suspend bylaws. He’s just concerned about having as much procedure in place as possible to avoid conflict over procedure.

Charles suggests adding a discussion about the “elections packet lite” next Wednesday.

Trond says that this just has to be sent out “soon”. They will be in violation of bylaws by the 4th.

Melanie suggests having the elections committee put together a packet, speak about it on Wednesday, email it out, then ask the full Senate asked to suspend the bylaws.

Adam asked to make sure there are notes that say “if this is confusing, that’s fine…contact so-and-so with questions.” While this is confusing, and it is unfortunate, it is necessary. As much as they can they should to make sure there is a single point of contact, that will defer fewer people.

Melanie offers to be that point of contact.

Trond says that GPSS absolutely must suspend the bylaws. We have to suspend them next week, to stay out of violation. The existing (past) election packets, if dates are changed, are still legit—the information is still current.

Colin suggests putting an asterisk next to officer roles, and then link them to the bylaws.

Charles agrees that they should prepare the old election packet and have it on deck if needed. They can’t worry overly much about confusing people who aren’t paying attention.

Trond asks if they can get away with saying “this is last year’s election packet. This year’s will be similar, and you will get it later.” He offers to interface with senators if there are questions.
Melanie moves that the executive committee recommend to Senate that the Senate suspend the bylaws Article 6 Section E Clause 2 Letter B and Article 5 Section G Clause 4 Letter C,

Charles clarifies that this is in reference to 2012 election packet and process.

Melanie makes the same motion, adding “in regards to the 2012 election packet”

Trond suggests the verbage “by removing requirement that election packets be approved in advance of election.”

Melanie moves that the executive committee recommend that the Senate suspend the Bylaws Article 6 Section E Clause 2 Letter B and Article 5 Section G Clause 4 Letter C, which requires that election packet be approved no later than March each year.

Colin seconds.

No objections. The motion passes.

4c. Senate Meeting Agenda, Feb 29

Charles suggests the standard call to order, approval of agenda, approval of minutes. (1, 1, and 2 min, respectively) and 30 min for restructuring task force. He also wants to add an update from UW tech about wireless refresh update (STF funds) but hasn’t heard back from them yet. Melanie suggests giving them 15-20 min. Colin suggest having them go first if they are guest presenters.

Melanie brings up the issue of voting on bylaws. Trond agrees that it has to be on the agenda.

Adam wants to make a legislative update.

Trond suggests adding the bylaw suspension at this point in the agenda. 

Charles wants to talk about Dean searches. There are three positions to fill. He will know which schools are piloting College Councils by next week. He says that it is too early to have a good update on the university budget.

Adam says that both the House and Senate will have released proposed budgets by next Wednesday. He doesn’t know how quickly the office of planning and budgeting will turn around. They won’t be ready for full update of the university budget, so maybe that should be a legislative update, but we’ll have a good sense of what sort of budget cuts to expect from the state by then. How it will be implemented is a different story. Charles concurs that they should keep it focused on state budget in leg update.

Adam says that the legislative updates need 20 min because he wants to talk about SAGE too.

Charles notes that the agenda is just under an hour and a half now. He wants to leave as much room for Restructuring task force presentation and discussion as possible.
Colin suggests splitting the SAGE discussion from the legislative one. Adam agrees, and suggests a 15/5 minute split.

Colin motions to approve the agenda as follows:
- Call to order (1)
- Approve agenda (1)
- Approve minutes (2)
- UW Wireless update (15)
- Bylaw Suspensions and Elections Announcement (10)
- Restructuring Taskforce (30)
- Legislative Update (15)
- Dean Searches (5)
- SAGE updates (5)
- Announcements
- Adjourn

Amy seconds. No objections. Agenda is approved.

4d. Dean Searches and Committee/Special Appointments
Charles says that a number of appointments have come up in recent days. There are 3 dean searches. There is a working group on UW supplier corporate responsibility – a response to the recent Sodexo fiasco. A few other requests were brought to GPSS: a standing position on publications board. Charles talked to Lincoln Johnson about putting on an interim person because they want a fast turn-around, then finding someone who can finish out the year and serve next year too. There has been no advertising for this position so if anyone knows someone who would be good pass their names along. The publications board technically oversees all student pubs – which is mostly The Daily.

Melanie will ask Senators to put the word out. Charles also wants to add that to the next Senator email. The three Dean searches are happening for the colleges of nursing, engineering, and arts and sciences. For engineering, he wants to appoint Trond, given his knowledge. Nursing and A&S both need a strong grad student sitting on those committees. A&S is the largest college in the University. There were problems before with nursing too. He has reached out to Kristen Hosey to get input for someone to serve on the selection committee for the college of nursing. Other suggestions are welcomed.

Evan asks if this is an internal or external search. Charles says he is not sure about arts and sciences.

Colin suggests Jenn Henneman. Melanie suggests Chris Lizotte from Geography who is also on DRAC.

Charles said that the time commitment on these committees is usually not all intense, usually it comes in waves, but some committees will take a while, especially nursing with their external search.
Evan suggests selecting students from art, education, and other departments that are likely to take a bigger hit financially.

5a. UPASS
Melanie reports that last week the UPASS advisory board passed a resolution recommending to GPSS and ASUW that there be no change in memorandum of understanding to allow for exemptions in the UPASS fee. Melanie and Bill are working to draft emails about this issue to let people know. They will probably be hearing back from Social Work students about it. The student survey that the restructuring committee put out generated a few comments about UPASS. They are considering changing the fee name. It’s not finalized but they are looking at “transportation fee” or something like that. Josh Kavanaugh from transportation services suggested looking into grants or scholarship programs for people who don’t use the UPASS and are lower income. Bill Dow and Melanie are not keen on this idea because they feel like it’s a program that benefits everyone, even if you don’t use it. Also there is no easy way to draw the line on who does and doesn’t qualify. Josh claimed that they could talk to someone from financial aid about it.

Charles notes that UPASS is factored into financial aid. Melanie says that Josh is thinking it would be different from a waiver; everyone pays but some get aid. But at this point she and Bill think it is a bad idea. Charles says that looking into it is fine, as long as it stays close to the committee.

Melanie reports that ridership numbers from fall quarter came in from transportation services. They had to make estimates of how many people would ride with UPASS when negotiating the cost with King County Metro. This is the first time that there are real numbers. They overestimated how many people were riding transit by quite a bit. They estimated 3.9 million rides. In reality, it was 3.1 million (about 20% overestimate). Students paid for more rides than they are actually taking. Josh said that estimates from agencies, surveys from a year ago, were inaccurate, but perhaps it was a negotiating tactic. If we underestimate then we will have to raise the fee, and that would be politically bad. Nevertheless, it’s a pretty high overestimation.

Charles says that Bill is going to try to set up a meeting with Josh, Conor, Melanie and himself to discuss this issue. We knew last year that there was some overestimation going on, but one of the things we knew could happen was overpaying. This is an opportunity to leverage with Sound Transit and Metro. This is only one quarter’s worth of data too. We’ll see what happens with the rest of the year. Doubt we will be able to renegotiate this year. Faculty and staff passes are up for renewal this year, so there is room to renegotiate there, but not for students, he doesn’t think.

Evan asks whether renegotiation means that agencies will increase the cost per rider to keep the price up. Charles says that this is a possibility that they need to guard against.

Melanie asks what the cost per ride was last year. Charles answered that it was higher last year. UW got a lower cost per ride when the UPASS went universal. This saved students $15 per quarter.
Colin noted that Group Health contracts with King County Metro and its employees pay around $30 for 12 months of transit. Is Group Health subsidizing these passes? Adam says that they must be, because otherwise that’s impossible.

Trond noted that the estimates for use of community transit and Sound Transit are also way off. One is several times higher than the estimation, the other several times lower.

Charles notes that that Metro is the bulk of the cost, so a small change there means a big change for the UW community, price wise.

Trond asked ridership might go up in spring quarter due to weather.

Charles agrees that this is good information to act on. But they are out of time for this agenda item. He notes that the union also went into contract negotiations about UPASS, because any change in fees for academic employees must go through the union. That contract may have been violated through this process, and arbitration about the matter will take place on March 7 with the Attorney General. This will be regarding GPSS’s process and the creation of the universal UPASS. The union or the university will likely call Charles as a witness.

Melanie asks what some of the potential outcomes of arbitration are.

Adam asks whether administrative fees count as student fees.

Charles clarifies that any fee on a student is a fee that the union feels falls into this category and should be negotiated with the union. He knows Adam’s concern about the union and just wants to let everyone know that this sort of thing will be happening. Trond further clarifies that the fees that the union is concerned about are fees you must pay in order to enroll and be employed.

Charles says that at arbitration, he will explain how fee came to be. Melanie will put together info on GPSS process. He expects this to mostly be procedural, so long as everyone knows how student government acted in this situation and there are no doubts about GPSS processes. He won’t be discussing anything beyond that.

5b. HUB Move

Colin reported that they are scheduled to move back to the HUB during the 2nd or 3rd week of September—right before classes, during orientations, the worst time possible. GPSS will need a plan to get staff to pack up desks before year ends. He suggests writing more staff time over the summer into next year’s budget—especially towards the end of the year. Do job postings and hiring earlier in the year. The HUB has already started taking reservations for next year. He suggests making a few reservations in just in case for next year for higher ed, the social, etc.

Charles asks if they are returning to the model where GPSS/ASUW have preference for HUB spaces for their meetings? Colin doesn’t know.
Melanie will ask about making reservations for Wednesday Senate meetings next year.

5c. Legislative update
Adam gave the following report:
Monday, House democrats put out their proposed budget. Governor had proposed $160 million in cuts to higher ed. However, the state has experienced better than expected revenue – this gives the house more money than they thought they would have. Now, proposed cuts are about $65 mil to higher ed--instead of the $160 million. $35 million in cuts is hitting 2 year tech colleges. This will all translate into $9.8 million in cuts to UW. In all there are $13.5 million in cuts to UW, but the state is putting back $3.8 million specifically for supporting engineering degrees. There is another $4.4 million injection for a STEM program, but this is a competitive bid program. Some universities do not want to do this. This may be another pool of money that we could look to put somewhere else.

Financial aid and work study programs were preserved at $7.8 million. That’s huge. This was done on the back of the state need grant, will be cut by $10 million. This is now an area of concern. It doesn’t impact grads directly, but UW grads need to present united front with the undergraduates. State Need and state Work study are part of a comprehensive financial aid package. They work together. Andrew and Adam testified Monday evening to this effect. After testifying, they spoke with the chair of house higher ed committee. He said they will try to make sure there are no cuts to higher ed at all and that the state need grant is fully funded per last year’s numbers. There was even talk of putting $5 million extra into the state work study program. However, Margaret Shepherd said those things have a slim chance of actually happening, based on what she’s hearing.

Also, from talking to Margaret and Andrew, it looks like the senate is coming out with their budget next Tuesday, which supposed to be more favorable than the house budget. They expect no cuts to financial aid at all, minimal cuts to higher ed--smaller than cuts proposed by the house. They will delay payments to K-12 school districts in order to make this happen. Adam understands this as an accounting tactic. The state will pay them at beginning of next fiscal year rather than at the end of this fiscal year, and this will open up a lot of money. A lot of people are starting to become hopeful that there is progress in revenue, that the economy is picking back up. This is still going to be “a very long slog”. Improvements are going to mean $100 mil at a time, rather than larger sums of money that would actually systemically change how we are funding higher ed. Of the $7.8 million going to engineering state wide, $3.8 million is going to UW. Note that the work study and engineering budgets are the same. It looks like they may have wanted to fund engineering money with work study money.

Students who want more information can look it up on leap.leg.wa.gov

The next thing to focus on between now and Tuesday is reaching out to the Senate while they are coming up with their proposals. But Senators Hobbs, Tom, and Kastama need to
be a focus, because they are leaning away from our interests. It is too late to mail them anything in the post before Tuesday, but email and calling are great.

Because the childcare matching grant was not mentioned anywhere in the bill, we can assume that the fiscal outlay from last year will remain intact. Child care matching grant seems like such a small amount of money, no one is paying it any attention. But financial aid and work study need our attention. He is willing to draft an email that others can mimic. The tone needs to reflect an understanding of the challenges they face, but still adamantly opposed to cuts to financial aid, given how disproportionate a cut higher ed has received over the last few years.

Charles asked what became of the post doc unionization legislation.

Adam answered that he thinks it died, but he will check.

6. Officer Reports
   a. Vice President
      Adam might have to proxy for Charles at WSA on Saturday.

   b. Treasurer
      Colin has been working on the science and policy summit. The planning committee had talked about doing a 2 day event with TED-like talks and then having the summit. But it now seems like it’s potentially easy to do a proper TED_UW event that is officially sponsored. But it means GPSS couldn’t co-brand it with science and policy summit. The summit itself is going to be poster presentation and 2 panel discussions. First there will be a health talk from micro biology side of things, then a paired talk by someone who knows about the social determinates of health. The 2nd panel was going to be environment focused, but there seem to be a lot of such panels around UW lately, so now they are looking at something like transportation and health. They could have second panel focus on health effects of transportation bill in house right now. It would be good to talk with the dean of SPH and a state rep.

      Also Colin plans on having a year to date financial statement ready for April 4 senate meeting. He is looking at drafting it up to March 10. So send in receipts. Also travel grants deadline coming up.

   c. Secretary
      Melanie wanted to mention two things: email and website. Website work has been done. Regarding emails to senators and all students, if there is something you want to send out, let Melanie know as far ahead of time as possible. Several emails went out in succession recently, and she wants to try to space them out a little bit. DRAC met on Tuesday. They want to contact Rebecca Aanrud at the grad school to talk about how they interface with departments re: having student handbooks and student policies. That would be the most helpful thing for students. She wants to put the word out to Senators to ask their peers, informally, about what happens when students have a dispute. What issues are people
really facing in this arena? Regarding the future of DRAC, folks at the DRAC meeting felt like it’s not time to get rid of it now. There are things people want to accomplish, get better policies in place, etc.

She also wants a statement of purpose for the $4k diversity fund. There are lots of requests for cultural events, but there is lots of funding for those sorts of things. She wants to support diversity in academia and education more directly.

Also, if there is interest, Sarah Reyneveld once had a house party for GPSS. It was nice. Maybe we could do it again. Look for an email. March 3 or the following Saturday.

d. ASUW
Evan reported that ASUW is still doing internal restructuring. Constitutional amendments are before the Board. They have submitted the college councils proposal to the board of deans, which went over well. They agreed to pilot councils, which GPSS senators area already doing themselves. This is a big event week. There is the fashion show and the queer student commission drag show on Friday. Saturday is the American Indian student commission winter pow wow. It is “culturally awesome”. Vendors; food; dancing; 3k people—all off campus.

e. President
Charles reported that the Board of Regents met on Feb 9. A lot of action items for that meeting were pushed forward around financial and building things. Had an opportunity with Conor to make it known that students were displeased that they were the only ones in Olympia talking about revenue. They reiterates with the president that students do have an expectation of him and other administrators talking about revenue at the capital. He has been in touch with the planning committee about budgeting and has sent proposals off to the provost for the future 2012-13 budget
He has looked over room rate increases.
The grad school council reviewed and commented on a plan to start a new professional Masters of health informatics and health information management in SPH. This will be the 3rd health sciences Masters with an emphasis on information management.
STF has come to GPSS asking for approval to spend some of the surplus money that was discovered last year during the STF debacle. At the next executive meeting, the committee will be talking about this again. He will try to hopefully take some time at the senate meeting to give a brief history of where that surplus came from.
He received a breifing from UW architect Rebecca Barnes on UW PD site selection situation. Has final report in office in anyone is interested. Everything is on hold, now, though.
He had another briefing on HFS pilot program for gender neutral housing for undergrads. There will have to be RA trainings around this matter and, GPSS may be able to help locate different people on campus who are used to this sort of thing.
Budgets will be available soon.
Talked with provost about tuition increases – it has usually been up to the kindness of your dean to tell you they were considering tuition changes. Now they are going to put together a document that outlines potential tuition changes in the near future. Hopefully that document will be available in the next few days. They have all the raw info from
colleges. They just need to compile it. Charles says we could help publicize this information so that students have it and so that they can identify problem schools. Perceptions of tuition changes may vary among students from program to program.

7. Announcements
Adam found information on the post doc bill. It was passed out of the policy committee yesterday, then referred to Ways and Means. Today was the deadline for every bill necessary to implement the budget. The post-doc bill has a price tag attached to it, so the question now is whether or not the Ways and Means committee thinks that number is necessary to implement the budget.

8. Adjourn
Melanie moves to adjourn. Mateo seconds. The meeting is adjourned.