



**GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL
STUDENT SENATE**

Exec Meeting Minutes

October 31, 2018 | HUB 303

Members Present

GPSS President: Giuliana Conti
GPSS Secretary: Amy Gabriel
GPSS Vice President of External Affairs: Kelsey Hood
GPSS Vice President of Internal Affairs: Sydney Pearce
GPSS Treasurer: Robby Perkins-Hood
GPSS Executive Senator: Zhiyun Ma
GPSS Executive Senator: Jackie Wong
GPSS Executive Senator: Lillian Ferraz
GPSS Executive Senator: Jacob Ziegler
GPSS Executive Senator: Michael Diamond
ASUW Director of Internal Policy and the Liaison: Casey Duff
Assistant Director of Student Activities: Rene Singleton

1. Call to Order **5:34 PM**

2. Approval of the Agenda **5:34 PM**

Amy Gabriel: Motions to amend the agenda to strike the approval of the minutes.

Michael Diamond: Seconds.

Amy Gabriel: Motions to amend the agenda to add the Review of the Application from the Art Department to split seats with Art Design after the Personnel Handbook item. Will need 10 minutes.

Sydney Pearce: Seconds.

Robby Perkins-High: Motions to amend the Special Projects agenda item to be an action item instead of an information item.

Jacob Ziegler: Seconds.

Robby Perkins-High: Approves the agenda as amended.

Amy Gabriel: Seconds.

3. Executive Senator Onboarding

5:36 PM

Giuliana Conti: Welcomes new Exec Senators, Jacob and Lily. Provides introductions and space to answer burning questions. Also would like to appoint them a buddy if needed. Asks for any requests to onboard? GPSS is working on a lot, but currently coming up with an Exec. Senator onboarding process, so currently Giuliana is meeting one-on-one to give overview and answer questions.

Jacob Ziegler: No questions.

Lillian Ferraz: No questions.

Giuliana Conti: Notes that she is excited for you to be here and if ever confused during this meeting let us know.

Casey Duff: Introduces himself to Lillian Ferraz.

Sydney Pearce: Informs both Exec. Senators that since it is a public meeting, it is being recorded so typically try to be precise and share name when speaking at first.

Giuliana Conti: Notes that everyone is also trying to get better at hand raising process. Also “point of information” can be used anytime for questions.

Michael Diamond: Asks new Exec Senators what motivated them to run and what issues they are interested in.

Jacob Ziegler: Responds that he was a senator last year, was on Finance & Budget Committee, and is now on Student Activity Fee Committee. Has an overall interest in financial transparency and the equity of finances.

Lillian Ferraz: Says she went to Senate meetings as a proxy last year, and became a senator this year. Interested in working on a project for an app or a website that has a general grad school introduction with resources from the student body so it's not left up to individual grad schools.

Sydney Pearce: Responds that Lillian Ferraz should come to grad student experience committee because they are working on building that into the website.

Giuliana Conti: Notes that U 501 already provides an online orientation, but it is presented when students are admitted. Can discuss more later.

4. Senate Meeting Overview

5:43 PM

Giuliana Conti: Requests that recommendations come with feedback so it can be action oriented. Knows that meetings will never be perfect and there will always be one or two moments that are awkward or messy. On the Officer's end there is always room for growth. Would like to implement a new process. As we develop the senate agenda for the following week, we should also go through each item and figure out what needs to be done to prepare for that item. Did not have ballots prepared beforehand for Executive Senator Elections this past meeting.

Renee Singleton came in at 5:44pm.

Sydney Pearce: Presents an idea to help. Since Giuliana Conti oversees the agenda, suggests Officers check in with Giuliana Conti about the Senate agenda items to make sure that everything is prepared.

Giuliana Conti: Responds that she would love that. Extends herself to anyone who can stop by. Notes that it never annoys her for people to double check. Encourages anyone to connect with her and see if help is needed. Other suggestions?

Sydney Pearce: Notes that in the agenda we often try to limit each item's time as much as possible to convince people to stay until the end, but time extensions eat up time on things know will take longer, so it may be more realistic to provide enough time when creating the agenda.

Amy Gabriel: Adds that maybe we could build in cushion time because sometimes items take longer than expected. If we add more time up front and complete in less time, then meetings end up being shorter than expected.

Renee Singleton: Suggests Exec. Members don't beat themselves up when people leave the room. The senators have lives, it's not about the meeting.

Kelsey Hood: Notes that although the agenda tried to build off of excitement of the Committee Round Robin with the Meet the Officers activity, the activity fell flat because each Officer or

Executive Senator can only talk to one person at a time. It was difficult to connect with everyone.

Robby Perkins-High: Says that he also potentially undermined the Meet the Officers activity by suggesting that everyone eat pizza during it.

Giuliana Conti: Says that the activity was originally slated 10 mins and we could have worked more to allocate spaces around the room and make it more clear what people were doing. In the future could still be useful to hear directly from senators about what they are hearing from their constituents, but shortness of time impacted the activity and more planning would have been helpful.

Lillian Ferraz: Agrees that the activity was a little disappointing because not enough time to talk with people. Thinks more structure is a good idea. Would like to see more engagement between executives and senators. Perhaps a committee check-in at the end of the quarter and people who are not on one can see a project they are interested in. Just time for people to have own ideas and conversations.

Jackie Wong: Adds there was enthusiasm in the room and people wanted to stick around. Agrees it was rushed, but agree with fact that need to ask senators to bring something to the table, whether it is their interest in committees or an idea/concern from a constituent, so people can share notes.

Zhiyun Ma: Notes that through Meet the Officers activity was about connection between programs and groups. Suggests opening online forum for senators so if they know a topic is being brought up by constituents, they can enter it online and other senators can share their ideas and connect.

Giuliana Conti: Responds that is definitely a conversation bigger than today, but one we can have. Proud of the meeting, very positive energy. Grateful for everyone.

5. Approval of Finance and Budget Committee Members

5:52 PM

Robby Perkins-High: Emailed out, and in drive. Per bylaws have to form Finance and Budget Committee – 5-9 senators with Robby Perkins High and Renee Singleton ex officio. Advertised to people at the Round Robin and reached out to anyone who expressed interest. List of people who attended orientation meeting or expressed interest. Has met the first 5 members.

Michael Diamond: Inquires about the 3 vacant seats and asks if it is an issue for functioning.

Robby Perkins-High: Need 5 members to form and quorum is a majority plus treasurer. Would like more so there is greater diversity, but it's been difficult because not that many people want

to do finance. Currently good representation across departments. 3 vacant seats can be filled at any point but 5 is enough.

Casey Duff: Motions to approve members of the Finance and Budget Committee.

Sydney Pearce: Seconds.

6. Special Projects Fund

5:56 PM

Robby Perkins-High: Gives brief overview of what has been going on. Notes there is a \$10,000 budget line for this and that it is dedicated to new GPSS initiatives. He and Jasmine have been thinking up a process for distribution of the funds. Originally thought of distribution on a rolling basis, but since it's a finite amount of money, would be giving preference to whoever applied first. So instead will have an application period when Exec Committee members can apply. Will set a deadline for applications. Upon completion of application, will go into allocation process.

As Brad wrote in the budget last year, there is a recommendation from Finance & Budget Committee with final approval by Exec Committee. A lot of the projects are going to be generated by Exec. Board members so the more projects can get into GPSS mission the better. The idea would be to think about projects for the entire year. F & B could also not allocate a certain amount of money and take proposals again in the winter. Would be simple majority at F & B meeting. Then present to Exec. Board. Senate can reverse by 2/3 vote. Then entire allocation would be determined by Exec Committee.

Giuliana Conti: Asks when it comes to your presentation of these items to F & B – is there any part where Treasurer speaks to applicants themselves?

Robby Perkins-High: Will give applications to F & B members, then normally for funding decisions, groups come in present. Worries that since the presenters will be members of the Exec Committee, may intimidate new members of F & B, so perhaps F & B members can just reach out to proposal authors with questions.

Giuliana Conti: Responds that because a fellow officer will be the applicant, it might be best that Treasurer does not speak about the application with the proposal author and it's just the application itself that F & B bases their decision on.

Robby Perkins-High: Agrees and says seems like a good way to prevent any potential bias.

Jacob Ziegler: Responds that although he understands the power dynamics, thinks the presentations helped with any lapses of information and created nice dialogue in prior years for F & B members.

Robby Perkins-High: Notes that his two considerations on why he did not include presentations: power dynamic is possibility (new senators might feel scared) and knows of specific projects that do not have a funding source right now and have a time line – so if applicants do presentations, then funding would be pushed out to end of December.

Lillian Ferraz: Asks that for equity/fairness, what do people think about having no names or pictures with applications to avoid racial or gender bias. Thinks that process would be a good introduction to how grant processes work without a presentation.

Robby Perkins-High: Responds that considered doing that but will be easy to tell who wrote it for some of the proposals, so still trying to decide which way is better.

Lillian Ferraz: Asks if this funding is just for the Exec board.

Robby Perkins-High: Responds language just said “for new GPSS initiatives” but that we can decide to change it.

Lillian Ferraz: Notes that other concern is if there is a tight deadline, a lot of senators have not joined and not sure how this process works. Should work on letting all of the senators know how this works. This is a good opportunity.

Kelsey Hood: Echoes what Robby Perkins High said about knowing who the proposal author is based on the proposal, but not a bad idea. Does not know if that would be a motion to amend to just the Exec board, so not about who found out first. Also know there are tight deadlines for projects that would benefit the whole grad student body.

Robby Perkins-High: Responds Exec Committee is voting on the memo as written, but it can be amended with a motion.

Kelsey Hood: Motions to extend time by 10 minutes.

Sydney Pearce: Seconds.

Sydney Pearce: Provides more information, noting that the way GPSS spends money often goes through Exec board. None of the Exec senators have supervisory role over budget. Thinks the reasoning for the Special Allocation line item is to have a senator work through a member of the executive board to get it, since Exec members are the ones who are authorized to spend.

Robby Perkins-High: Notes that was his interpretation as to why, but next year doing something for senate only proposals. We could motion to amend current line item, but may be hard to do.

Jacob Ziegler: Added background from when this got presented to F &B last year. It was presented as \$10k out of general fund for the next year because there were some Exec officers who had project ideas but didn't have the funding. So F & B came up with having internal Exec

board members present to the committee in the same way as other students. So that was the understanding I had when it was put into budget. Much more for Exec board internal things.

Giuliana Conti: Point of Information, by Officers do you mean board members?

Jacob Ziegler: Yes, Exec board.

Robby Perkins-High: Gives recap of budget structure. This line item is a pre-approved amount to spend on whatever Exec Board decides. For Exec board members to do a new project, the only other option is to get from reserve fund which is much more difficult.

Jackie Wong: Responds thanks for clarification. My transparency red flags were going off because thought it would be important for senators to understand what this is. Asks if can look at mins for F & B and get actual language so intent of fund is more clear.

Robby Perkins-High: Is it just a sentence to clarify that it is proposed by the officers for the benefit of grad students?

Giuliana Conti: Thinks just so everyone can know the intention and ensure follow it.

Jackie Wong: Adds that just to find out if this is a special allocation to provide the executive board more resources.

Jacob Ziegler: Responds that he thinks Robby Perkins High put it well. As a member of F & B last year, says the committee pre-emptively took money out of general fund so that if officers went over budget or needed more, could request it. It wasn't that it all needed to be used. Just setting it aside so people could follow through on exciting plans. Just creating flexibility.

Amy Gabriel: Notes that Brad told senate about it last year, but it is a new body so transparency is important. Motion to approve the memo, given Robby Perkins High and Jacob Ziegler confirm the language.

Sydney Pearce: Seconds.

Robby Perkins-High: Accepts Jackie's friendly amendment.

Michael Diamond: The amendment is just making it conditional – just approved by a majority – so we just pass it and if it's not right, we approve another in its place.

Amy Gabriel: Motion to vote as is.

Sydney Pearce: Seconds.

Giuliana Conti: 9 in favor, 1 abstention

Amy Gabriel: Point of Information - is there a deadline when we need to have this approved? We can leave this on the table and then approve with amendments.

Robby Perkins-High: Would be good to approve at this meeting.

Sydney Pearce: Motion to extend by 3 minutes.

Casey Duff: Seconds.

Giuliana Conti: Asks for a date recommendation for application deadline?

Robby Perkins-High: Recommends 8th or 15th as deadline since there is only one more Exec meeting for the remainder of the quarter. F & B training this Friday, hearing a proposal on the 9th. Could start reviewing apps on Friday 9th or 16th. Thinks if not started before Thanksgiving, would be tough to get done this quarter.

Kelsey Hood: Motions for Nov 8th deadline.

Jacob Ziegler: Seconds.

Robby Perkins-High: Objects for more discussion.

Amy Gabriel: Motions for Nov 15th.

Robby Perkins-High: Point of order, we are debating, unless KH retracts.

Kelsey Hood: Argues that Nov 8th is very soon, but there are very immediate deadlines coming. Connecting with senators is a good idea, but meeting is coming up and everyone is available via email. 15th is too late because F & B needs to review and debate among themselves. Short timing because of the holidays.

Jacob Ziegler: Point of Information - if we don't spend all \$10k is there a contingency of where that money goes?

Michael Diamond: Motion to extend time by 3 mins.

Jackie Wong: Seconds.

Robby Perkins-High: Responds that the money would stay in the budget line, so would suggest having a secondary review in winter, then money would roll into reserve fund the at end of the year.

Casey Duff: Asks whether applications are on a rolling basis or all at once?

Robby Perkins-High: The initial would be considered as a group, and haven't thought through the secondary process as much.

Michael Diamond: Believes point 4 on the memo says the same process would occur in winter.

Giuliana Conti: Those in favor in KH. 4 Ayes; 3 abstentions; 3 opposed. Motion does not carry.

Robby Perkins-High: Could make application deadline for 12th or 13th, but probably wouldn't get done until Nov 30th

Jackie Wong: Comments that concerned about deadline on Nov 8th because would be the day after the Senate meeting which wouldn't give enough time to think about things. Thinks 12th or 13th would be good compromise to give senators a few more days to speak with Exec board.

Kelsey Hood: Says confused about why need senator approval because Exec board members are the only ones putting forth submissions.

Giuliana Conti: Responds to advertise it to senators so can connect with Exec senators.

Lillian Ferraz: Adds or for objections to ideas that people have.

Giuliana Conti: Notes so that there is time to communicate.

Lillian Ferraz: Notes it's to be able to ask and figure it out and be involved.

Jacob Ziegler: Motions to extend time by 10 minutes.

Sydney Pearce: Seconds.

Jacob Ziegler: Says the line item was created as essentially a fund for Exec to use for things that they couldn't get funding for. Valuable to get Senate input, but wasn't the rationale behind the fund.

Sydney Pearce: Notes that while she thinks running into issues with how the fund was set up, the Senate approved it this way and should move forward with it like this and then change it for next year.

Amy Gabriel: Suggests that the fall quarter deadline stay at 8th and then let senators know for winter and spring deadlines about what was accomplished, so can have examples for partnership.

Robby Perkins-High: Point 7 on this is about objections and accountability – ideally a member of F & B would give context and if the Senate disagrees they can overturn it.

Renee Singleton: There is a change of thought process because at the end of the year people had ideas of what they wanted to work on so this was a stop gap measure. No one knew what they

were going to get for a budget last year. Got here because in past they didn't have enough – now you do. There was an assumption that you all would have it together to know what those things would be. This was a simple measure.

Jackie Wong: Says it is important to present it to senate with the history so it doesn't sound shady. So it doesn't seem rushed and like they don't have the opportunity to respond.

Michael Diamond: Suggests as a compromise, approve the 8th deadline, but make known to F & B that would prefer to not use all the funds, so can have another process in the winter.

Lillian Ferraz: Says now understands line item better. Main objection was that people may not have been on committees before and may not be sure how accountability works. It can be a lot, so wanted a cushion time. Motion for Nov 12th deadline.

Zhiyun Ma: Seconds.

Kelsey Hood: Point of information - If the deadline were the 12th what would that mean the deadline for approval for allocations is?

Robby Perkins-High: Approval would likely be final on Nov 30th. Think it will take two meetings.

Jackie Wong: Point of Information - How many applications are we anticipating? Is that a realistic time frame?

Giuliana Conti: Well, how many people at this table?

Robby Perkins-High: App is not super extensive.

Kelsey Hood: Objects to 12th. A deadline for submission on the 12th with allocation on the 30th is far too late.

Lillian Ferraz: Point of Information - What is the difference between 30th? Is there a project you care about?

Kelsey Hood: Yes.

Jacob Ziegler: Motion for 5pm on Nov 8, 2018.

Amy Gabriel: Seconds.

Giuliana Conti: 8 ayes; 2 abstentions. Motion carries.

Renee: Applications will be sent to Robby Perkins High.

7. Liaison Appointments

6:34 PM

Sydney Pearce: Explains role of liaisons. Proposes next round of liaisons as a group. Any objections should be brought at the end.

- Sebastian Lopez Vergara, Advisory Council on Trademarks and Licensing (recommendation from committee head)
- Kym Foley, Environmental Stewardship Committee (ESC)
- Melissa Saiz-Matheny, Faculty Council on Academic Standards
- Ferdinand Khalid, Faculty Council on Tri-Campus Policy
- Move Tyler Gordon from U-PASS, to University Transportation Committee
- Mitchell Brown, U-PASS
- Cal Dobrzynski, U-PASS

Faculty councils meet bi-monthly or infrequently. Will hopefully complete at next meeting with more seats filled.

Giuliana Conti: Point of Information - Did we invite Lily and Jacob to the Google drive?

Robby Perkins-High: Will add them.

Sydney Pearce: Motions to approve the above liaisons.

Michael Diamond: Point of Information: Kym Foley is on Campus Sustainability Fund and that's done? I was also the liaison for CSF.

Sydney Pearce: Motions to approve Michael Diamond as liaison for Campus Sustainability Fund and other above liaisons.

Kelsey Hood: Seconds.

Sydney Pearce: Still have not filled two seats on SAF and 1 on Student Tech Fee. Tech Fee is now cancelling meetings because have not filled GPSS seats.

Amy Gabriel: When do these meet?

Sydney Pearce: Gives times they meet. We need representation. Happy to leave open and available for when we have applicants, but would love proxies until then.

Amy Gabriel: Will proxy SAF.

Lillian Ferraz: Can you say which committees one more time?

Sydney Pearce: SAF Fridays at 1pm. STF Mondays at 3:30pm. Have a GPSS staff member who could proxy for SAF with Amy.

Robby Perkins-High: Point of Information - Did James Jewell confirm?

Sydney Pearce: Will check with Stephanie Becnel, Director of University Affairs, but believes so.

Jackie Wong: Point of information - Robby Perkins High do you have more information?

Robby Perkins-High: Tech Fee is actually operating and will keep operating without seats filled. SAF has pushed back the meeting 3-4 times so don't have to do orientation twice. Just waiting on GPSS. Pushed back to Nov 9th currently.

Jackie Wong: Was planning on being a proxy for SAF when she can.

Giuliana Conti: Has a conflict with STF so cannot attend.

Sydney Pearce: Is there anyone available on Mondays? If no one else is available, will appoint staff. Okay so Amy and Matt McKeown, Event Director, will proxy for SAF. And will ask staff proxy for STF.

Robby Perkins-High: Motions to approve proxies as stated by Sydney Pearce.

Michael Diamond: Seconds.

8. Personnel Handbook Approval

6:45 PM

Sydney Pearce: The personnel handbook is for staff to abide by – not executive senators since they are not paid positions. She responded to any comments. The org chart will be added, as well as, the acronym list. Some argument over the university policies, will replace if she finds anything more pertinent. Will make edits in Spring. Staff have already received and been trained from the handbook. Motion to approve the personnel handbook.

Michael Diamond: Point of Information - Was there any additional information about memos?

Sydney Pearce: Memos do not apply to staff, but can include information, like it already has for resolutions.

Michael Diamond: Yes, for the Spring.

Sydney Pearce: Accepts amendment, motions to approve with amendment.

Jacob Ziegler: Seconds.

9. GPSS Application for Art Design

6:48 PM

Amy Gabriel: Art design wants to take the two art seats, and we may let them until two art design seats are created. Exec has to bring an application to art design for them to fill out. Reviews application contents. The application requires a petition signed by other students, so if they do not get enough other students, then they will just stay in the two art seats.

Giuliana Conti: Notes that she created the application last year from a model. The form is what is on the table.

Amy Gabriel: It's the whole thing. It's giving them the application.

Robby Perkins-High: Point of Information - What are we voting on?

Giuliana Conti: Responds that this form will be given to people that request additional representation for a department.

Robby Perkins-High: Move to approve application.

Jackie Wong: Seconds.

Lillian Ferraz: Point of Information - How many departments are broken up like this?

Amy Gabriel: Responds, a lot. We let departments know they are welcome to split if they want because there are smaller programs that have different experiences. For instance, Jackson School has 8 representatives and School of Education has split seats.

Giuliana Conti: Adds that Foster has night programs and because the night students' experiences are different they split. But there are departments where there isn't the interest. So historically it's based on interest.

Zhiyun Ma: Comments those departments can petition to have their own senator – each program is guaranteed two seats, but smaller departments can petition to have their own senators if needed. So supports this structure.

Amy Gabriel: Clarifies it is just the application that requires approval. Reads the Bylaws aloud.

Giuliana Conti: Motion carries.

10. SAGE DOH Application Approval

6:54 PM

Kelsey Hood: Says previously have discussed SAGE Day On the Hill delegate application. Has since taken into account the edits that everyone made. Would like people to look over and approve it tonight so can present it at the next meeting.

Sydney Pearce: If everyone has had time to review, motion to approve application.

Michael Diamond: Point of Information - Questions 1 and 3 - is it required that people be involved before?

Kelsey Hood: This memo was passed by Exec in the summer. This is a new thing GPSS is doing, giving senators the ability to apply to join the DOH. Involvement will start the day the application is presented (so do not have to be involved before, but have to be involved in working group moving forward).

Michael Diamond: On question 3, is it not required that they are graduate student?

Kelsey Hood: It's required. Question 3 is more about whether they have served in another advocate capacity. To show they are involved and have advocated before.

Jackie Wong: Take out the colon on number 4.

Kelsey Hood: Thanks.

Jacob Ziegler: Seconds.

11. GPSS Endowment + General Fund

6:59 PM

Robby Perkins-High: Motions to postpone to Nov 14th Meeting.

Michael Diamond: Seconds.

12. Poll Everywhere

6:59 PM

Jackie Wong: Says she can quickly give everyone an introduction to poll everywhere or can table to the next meeting.

Giuliana Conti: Gives an overview to catch up for new Exec. Senators. Poll everywhere has a contract with UW which includes an online voting system. Could track senator attendance, and voting, so could replace hand voting, as well as have information about who votes for what if

constituents ask. There have been are a few snags. While the feasibility of the full use of this program would be an incredible asset because we are a student org, we do not get instructor access. It can be purchased for \$350/quarter for use to be able to run polls for more than 100 people. Would apply to STF for money

Jackie Wong: Gives quick demonstration of Poll Everywhere. Has grandfathered instructor access for now until we have it for GPSS.

Giuliana Conti: Notes that would only be used for GPSS if it is okay with you that it would be subject to public records.

Jackie Wong: That would be fine. Gives demo.

Michael Diamond: Asks, so it's recorded who voted for what?

Jackie Wong: Yes.

Giuliana Conti: Adds that could import a roster so other people could not access the poll. Could see who voted in what ways and retain it for as long as we need.

Jackie Wong: Comments that Poll Everywhere can be slide-o-esque, so people can up-vote questions and the moderator can determine what is shown on the screen. In the constraint of time, would like to provide more information at a later time.

Lillian Ferraz: Asks if could we systemize with proxies and set it up before?

Giuliana Conti: Responds yes, it is NetID based.

Jackie Wong: Adds the URL will be the same every time so once Senators have it, it will be there.

Giuliana Conti: Comments would like to meet with them to find out how an organization of GPSS size could get access, with the help of other stakeholders.

Jacob Ziegler exits at 7:05 PM.

13. November 7th Senate Meeting Agenda

7:08 PM

Giuliana Conti: Requests that people do not amend the google doc of the final agenda for the Exec Meetings. At that point need to wait until the beginning of the meeting.

Sydney Pearce: Point of Information - Did we find out if they are subject to public records?

Renee: Responds that everything is.

Giuliana Conti: Responds Michelle at public records said do not need to send it in.

Sydney Pearce: Clarifies meant sending it. Asks for more time in general.

Giuliana Conti: Responds yes. Going to start setting up automated calls for agenda items, so just don't go into the drive after the final round because at that point certain time considerations have been made.

On the back of the Exec Meeting agenda are Robby Perkins High's suggestions on the new process for Senate Agenda Meeting

The Senate Meeting Agenda is in the drive and items can be put in before the Exec Meeting, so that at the Exec Meeting the agenda is just organized and refined.

Asks how much time for the resolution (Support For Progressive Revenue Sources To Fill Gaps In Higher Education Funding In Washington State) debate?

Lillian Ferraz: Has been in communication with a senator who wanted more academic resources but has not been able to find any because the law was implemented on January 1st of this year. Wondering if Kelsey Hood found them useful.

Kelsey Hood: Has looked at them and had a conversation with the resolution author last year. This was a discussion and it was agreed on that wouldn't include that specific sales tax because studies show they are regressive. Still mulling it over, but cannot guarantee will accept the amendments to add that tax to the resolution. If cannot find academic sources supporting those taxes, some of the other sources can be viewed as biased, so may not want to include them.

Lillian Ferraz: Comments that is fine with taking the amendments off the table, just wanted to see it discussed before putting it forward.

Kelsey Hood: Agrees, and thinks it's a good idea to throw out ideas that make resolutions more robust.

Lillian Ferraz: Suggests drafting a short message with Kelsey Hood for senators based on what she could find. If there is not enough evidence, would rather not put it forward.

Kelsey Hood: Point of Information - Would the message to senators have to be sent out by 2pm?

Robby Perkins-High: Asks if can just say it at the meeting?

Jackie Wong: Point of information - Did we get any other feedback from Oliver?

Giuliana Conti: Comments that he is generally pretty busy. So for this resolution, how much time are we supposed to allocate to it, and are we able to get it to senators by 2 pm?

Kelsey Hood: Responds no, should give a statement at the meeting.

Lillian Ferraz: Responds yes that's fine. If we could add the sources that the taxes are regressive. My hope was there was finally a sales tax that wasn't regressive, but not yet.

Michael Diamond: Asks for the voting since do not have poll everywhere – is the recording in line with the new policy as of July (based on his memo).

Renee: Comments that since the technology is not ready, need paper and then must hold onto them, and give them to Renee to hold. Did you pass it as a Bylaw or as a memo?

Michael Diamond: Responds an informational memo, so we can exempt ourselves from it with majority.

Robby Perkins-High: Motions to exempt from new voting procedures.

Jackie Wong: Seconds.

Kelsey Hood: Explains there has been a snag with the legislative agenda – wanted it approved at November 7th meeting because otherwise have to use last year's legislative agenda since a new one is not approved, but would love to have a new one. Called a special LAB meeting last Tuesday, to have the new agenda ready, but per the bylaws need to send it out a week in advance and it is not ready to be sent out yet. Wants input. Could call a special meeting or could give them a draft of the language and let the senators know it will look different at the meeting. Could just send it out on Tuesday. Want to avoid seeming like trying to sneak things past, but also nervous to send out draft. Very nervous to not do this at the November 7th meeting.

Renee: Comments should probably stay in process or schedule a special. It's too important. If you get it before the 15th of December, you're lucky.

Kelsey Hood: Adds that if we send out the finalized version on Tuesday afternoon, would build in 15-20 mins for people to read the agenda. Recognizes that it is not much time, but not a lot of statistics, just broad information. It's going to be generally the same as last year's agenda, but knows there are a lot of new senators.

Lillian Ferraz: Comments that the intent of the bylaw is about the information. Is it that you have the bulk of the information now and adding commentary or is it a big difference between now and next week?

Kelsey Hood: Responds that the language might be different. If sent out now would not be able to include any of the information on the back which is about 8 position statements. So not finalized or completed.

Kelsey Hood: Motion to extend by 10 mins.

Michael Diamond: Seconds.

Michael Diamond: Asks if last year's agenda is pretty similar – how hindered are you in your lobbying efforts by last year's document.

Kelsey Hood: Very.

Michael Diamond: Can you elaborate on what points changed?

Kelsey Hood: Offers to share last year's priorities versus this year's agenda.

Lillian Ferraz: Comments that if you have basically half and you want at least half – if talking about creating general priorities maybe can send out information that is ready, so can at least have front page before the meeting.

Kelsey Hood: Responds have to vote on it as a whole which will be ready by the meeting. Reads last year's priorities. Kept most of last years, but changed a lot of the language. Expanded mental health to focus on veteran mental health. Sexual assault is still on, hoping to mandate a standardized system. Added student health insurance, which is the biggest one and cannot talk about right now in depth because not approved by senate yet.

Robby Perkins-High: Suggests sending it out once it is done and allowing majority of the meeting for people to read it.

Kelsey Hood: Adds would send with a message about disadvantage of quarter system with being able to get it done on time and using it for effective lobbying efforts before session starts to get people behind GPSS messages. It's been a huge struggle to even get us to this meeting, so could not have done it any earlier.

Renee: Do exactly what you're doing but make arrangements for a special exec meeting and board meeting. Can cancel if senators are okay but if they're not then you can keep moving. Also book with public records, can cancel if need to.

Giuliana Conti: Point of Information - What do you mean by Exec and Board meetings?

Renee: I meant Senate and Exec meetings.

Kelsey Hood: Will send message detailing LAB meeting time on Tuesday and next Friday so people can join. At Wednesday's Senate Meeting will present and will have special meetings in place if needed.

Lillian Ferraz: Adds that agrees with the value of having a week as in Bylaw. When sees an agenda a week before – if we could get as much as we can right now. As a senator, do want to see this a week in advance – just the topic. We don't have the exact language yet. To give people time to mull things over or do their own research. Still have time to read it at the meeting.

Kelsey Hood: Responds so with the information sending out, attach last year's legislative agenda and the four topics we're considering, everyone can bring edits and suggestions.

Michael Diamond: Would feel more comfortable if sent out everything LAB has now. As much detail as possible even if it will change. Then invite them to attend LAB meeting if want to.

Kelsey Hood: Responds does not feel comfortable sending what we have because it is not finished, it still needs to be worked on a lot. Also don't want to send it and ask people for the rest. I think it needs to be sent as a whole. If people want more information individually, can give it to them. Did not get a lot of interest in LAB participation this year and has made it very clear want people to be involved in and if haven't shown it thus far, doesn't know.

Jackie Wong: Says it is important to put the LAB meeting info in there as well. Also an opportunity for another round robin. People from LAB can split up...

Kelsey Hood: Responds LAB doesn't have any people anymore.

Amy Gabriel: Notes hopefully won't get too many edits, because have had all quarter to contribute. So what is prepared is what we have.

Renee Singleton: Change it as informational?

Kelsey Hood: Want them to vote.

Robby Perkins-High: Motion to extend by 2 mins.

Jackie Wong: Seconds.

Robby Perkins-High: Motions to end debate on legislative agenda process.

Lillian Ferraz: Would like the opportunity to have discussion and debate about the agenda.

Giuliana Conti: We have a motion we have to resolve first.

Casey Duff: Seconds.

Michael Diamond: Point of Information - Do we have to put a minute order on that motion?

Kelsey Hood: Can I explain intent with time limit?

Robby Perkins-High: Motion withdrawn.

Kelsey Hood: Explains the leg agenda is proposed, there is an opportunity for comments etc. Want everyone to feel heard and able to put in their input. So 15 mins to read. 10 mins for debate. 5 mins for approval.

Lillian Ferraz: Says likes idea of breakout. Exec senators could hold discussion.

Amy Gabriel: Recommends divvying up role of each priorities – then Officers collect senators' feedback and then Kelsey Hood goes through each priority.

Kelsey Hood: Breakout is the opportunity to collect edits?

Amy Gabriel: Yes.

Kelsey Hood: Yes. So 30 mins.

Lillian Ferraz: We should let people know it's about gaining input on all of these things.

Giuliana Conti: Comments that anyone with recommendations on how the breakout will happen should talk with Kelsey Hood.

Kelsey Hood: Requests breaking out into separate agenda items, so people don't feel like they are being asked to approve it, without reading it. Can strike if people say not approving it today.

Michael Diamond: Motion to extend by 5 mins.

Jackie Wong: Seconds.

Kelsey Hood: Also need to add presentation of SAGE DOH application as an information item, think it needs 10 mins. Amy, I will need to send you the DOH application and the memo to send out.

Giuliana Conti: Would like 5 minutes to engage with Senators – Constituent Communication.

Jackie Wong: Can work on a poll everywhere that we can introduce to senate.

Amy Gabriel: That item will be called Presidential Pilot.

Giuliana Conti: Great, because I need more facetime with the senators to get them to talk to me. Need 10 mins.

Robby Perkins-High: Motions to approve agenda.

Casey Duff: Seconds.

Michael Diamond: Objects.

Robby Perkins-High: Withdraws.

Michael Diamond: Should have item for first reading of a resolution by Brittany and Michael Diamond. 10 minutes. Motions to add.

Casey Duff: Seconds to add.

Robby Perkins-High: Motions to approve agenda.

Michael Diamond: Second

14. Announcements

7:45 PM

Kelsey Hood: Go to rock the vote!

15. Adjournment

7:45 PM

Robby Perkins-High: Moves to adjourn

Casey Duff: Seconds