

Weekly USA Meeting Minutes

Jan 24th, 2024 / 1:00-2:30 PM / JMB Student Center



1. Call to Order

Mission Statement: *The members of the United Student Association (USA) are committed to nurturing our community by fostering a comfortable and supportive environment. We advocate for the needs and interests of the diverse student body at South Seattle College. We strive to accomplish this commitment by promoting and encouraging self-development, community involvement, and culture sensitivity.*

Land Acknowledgement: *We would like to acknowledge that we are on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People past and present and honor with gratitude the land itself and the Duwamish Tribe.*

[reflection]

2. Facilitator: Quynh Nguyen

3. Roll Call

- **President** Quynh Nguyen — Present
- **Vice President** Esther Djamba — Absent
- **Communication Officer** Amena Truong — Present
- **Issues & Concerns Officer** Sheila Mashell — Present
- **Diversity and Inclusion Officer** Jonathan Toledo — Present
- **Sustainability Officer** Charles Askew — Excused Absence
- **Marketing Officer** Jessica Phan — Present
- **Treasurer** Cameron Mahon — Present
- **Advisor** Monica Lundberg — Present

- **Ground Rules:**

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion 1: Cameron moved to approve agenda for Jan 24th, 2024; Amena motioned seconded.

5. Approval of Minutes

Motion 2: Cameron moved to approve minutes for Jan 17th, 2024; Amena motioned seconded.

6. Scheduled Guests

- Future Nurses club proposal @2:15 pm
 - **Motion 3:** Cameron moved to approve as an official club on Jan 17th, 2024; Sheila motioned seconded.
- Owen Heit
- Ethan Nguyen

7. Guests Concerns & Issues

Officer Agenda Items

1. **President:** Quynh Nguyen

- Updates on the student issues
 - Arabic language class
 - Will get more contact info from Monica
 - A-boards, will be discussed at the cabinet meeting
 - Request installation of permanent signage indicating auto-door buttons - "Do not block"
 - Transportation issues - preventing students from getting to class

- Orca card
- Work Source doesn't offer unless in their program
- Possibly buy a few?
- Changes on the work schedule
- Check in on committees
 - Still need 4 more students on tenure committees
- Student forum and other collaboration
 - Need to submit questions by Feb 7th
 - Follow up after forum for further questions
 - Alki Cafe informal listening session: Feb 22nd @11-12 pm
- Class visit
 - Volunteers: Cameron, Sheila, Jonathan
 - All officers should attempt at least 1 class

2. Vice President: Esther Djamba

- Legislative Program
 - Feb 22 - Olympia Trip
 - Application cutoff date - est. week of Feb 15

3. Communication Officer: Amena Truong

4. Issues & Concerns Officer: Sheila Meshell

5. Diversity and Inclusion Officer: Jonathan Toledo

6. **Sustainability Officer: Charles Askew**

7. **Marketing Officer: Jessica Phan**

8. **Treasurer: Cameron Mahon**

- After action - meeting with Seattle Central
- S&A Fee Committee
 - Hip has designated Colby as acting advisor
- Strategic Planning Committee coming up - Feb 1st

9. **Advisor: Monica Lundberg**

- USA Student Focus group: **Tuesday, Feb 27th @1-2, in JMB 128**
 - CD Strategic Planning Steering Committee will be facilitating a variety of different activities to gain feedback and perspective on our next strategic plan
- Food Pantry schedule
 - Need volunteers on a weekly basis
 - Check sign in forms
- Programs: Student outreach
 - Wil update flyer
- Monica on vacation: **Jan 25th-Feb 1**
 - Please see David as urgent back up
- Seattle Colleges Foundation Annual Scholarship
- Networking conference opportunity at Green River - Students of Color : April 18, 19, 20
 - Contact Alexis for more info

Action Items:

Any Other Business (AOB) / Old Business:

- Arabic language class
- Issues and concerns
 - A-board concerns / ADA compliance issue
 - Reminding students to refer back to the Meeting Minutes, posted on the USA website for possible solutions

Future Business:

Next Meeting: Jan 31st, 2024

Committees

Quynh Nguyen	Library, College Council, President Search
Esther Djamba	Aviation
Amena Truong	Library, District St. Gov. gathering planning committee
Sheila Meshell	Sociology
Jonathan Toledo	Counseling, Anti-Hazing
Charles Askew	Hea/Nutr, Safety
Jessica Phan	Art
Cameron Mahon	Auto Tech, Strategic Planning

Motion 4: Cameron moved to take an intermission break on January 24th, 2024 at 2:06 pm to 2:15 pm, Jonathan motioned seconded

Meeting Adjourned at: 2:37 pm

Motion 5: Cameron moved to end meeting on January 24th, 2024 at 2:37 pm;
Jonathan motioned seconded

Agenda and Minutes taken by: Amena Truong and Cameron Mahon