



WASHINGTON STUDENT LOBBY

STATE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

120 Union Avenue, Suite 207

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MEETING AGENDA

**WSL State Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, October 25, 2008, 12:00pm
Washington State University, Pullman
WSU Compton Union Building, Room 310**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call, Introductions, and Welcome
- III. Additions and Changes to the Agenda
- IV. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Board of Directors, September 21, 2008
- V. Reports
 - a. Officer Reports
 - b. Staff Reports
- VI. Action Items
 - a. Opening of Nominations for VP of Recruitment and Retention
 - b. 1.010 Implementation of a new Legislative Agenda Format
 - c. 1.011 Approving WSL Policy and Procedures Manual
 - d. 2.006 Supplementing Rent & Utilities for WSL VP for Legislative Affairs
 - e. 3.006 Changing the name of WSL to Washington Student Association
- VII. Issue Roundtable & School Reports
 - a. Legislative Agendas
 - b. School reports
- VIII. Announcements
 - a. Future Meetings
 - i. November 8th, 2008 at Central Washington University
 - 1. Board meeting will convene at 11:00am
 - 2. General assembly will convene at 12:00pm
 - ii. December 6th, 2008 Bellevue Community College
 - iii. Set Date for January
 - b. Oct. 28-9, 2008, Higher Education Coordinating Board Meeting, University of Washington
 - c. Nov. 14-16, 2008, 19th Annual Northwest Student Leadership Conference, Portland State University
- IX. Adjournment

MEETING AGENDA

WSL State Board of Directors Meeting
Sunday, September 21, 2008, 11:00am
Western Washington University, Bellingham
WWU Viking Union, Room 567

I. Call to Order 11:45

II. Roll Call, Introductions, and Welcome

Jacob Stillwell	CWU
Jacob Peltier	BCC
Brianne Wood	BCC
*Shawn Hoey	WSU
*Kayla Simmons	WSU-GPSA
*Angelina Gradszaya	BCC
Vanessa Pantley	BCC
*Derrick Peacock	CWU
Justin Ormberg	CWU
*Bryce McKibben	UW
Mike Bogatay	WSL
Steve Lindstrom	WSL
Ashley Elliott	EWU
*Iseminger	UW-GPSS
Mackenzie	UW-GPSS
Holmes	WSU
Holmgreen	WWU
*Eric Lowe	WWU
Sarah Ishmael	WWU
Sommer Knight	WSU-Van

III. Additions and Changes to the Agenda

No changes. Peacock motions to approve- motion passed.

IV. Approval of Minutes

a. Board of Directors, June 8, 2008

Peltier moves to include note of his and WSU's work in drafting the drug policy.

Ishmael motions to approve- motion passed

V. Leadership Development

a. Developing a plan

Bogatay presents PowerPoint on leadership development

b. Speed dating BOD style

VI. Reports

a. Officer Reports

President- Attended Reps and Senate days. Hired Exec Director. Worked on opening 501(c)3.

This year will be a tough year because of the lack of money in the budget. WSL Chapters need to be a priority. E-advocacy is an important tool that will be utilized this year.

Brianne- Attended the USSA Congress in Madison. Reported on Reps and Sen days. Continuing to develop WSL's legislative agenda.

Jacob- Successfully chaired the Executive Director hiring committee. He's also working to develop a WSL Policies and Procedures Manual.

Logan- Continuing to implement his components of the strategic plan. Worked on the Executive Director hiring committee. Attended USSA Congress and began building contacts with students nationwide.

b. Staff Reports

Bogatay- Working on voter registration efforts with the Win/Win Network. WSL received \$2500 grant that will be used for vote work and another \$2500 grant for phone banking. Secretary of State's office reports that the voter registration is lower than in the 2004 election and shows the need to increase the effort to register our students, 25% of college students are registered. Reiterated Stillwell's comment regarding the lack of money in the budget and the struggles that are ahead of us. He made a request for students to sit on the transferability committees.

Lindstrom- Navigation 101 is a program that legislators are looking to combine with the college transferability program. If individual campus(es) are looking to advocate for a certain issue it would be beneficial to the whole for the issue to be discussed so we can effectively shape our lobbying efforts accordingly. Assembly days gave the WSL wonderful opportunities to discuss our agenda with the legislators that can make those agenda items happen. "Thin the soup or shorten the line", the budget this year will be very tight.

c. USSA Congress Report

Wood- 61st Annual Congress in Madison, Wisconsin. Issues: free community college, Dream Act, veterans reprieve. We have 3 students that are on USSA committees, they are Derrick Peacock, Sarah Ishmael and Keith James. There were a host of trainings and national legislative agenda was determined.

d. Assembly Days Report

Stillwell- Two different assembly days, House and Senate. Met with Pridemore, discussed our issues and continued to build informal relationships. Met with the heads of the House Higher Ed committee. Distributed the WSL's "walking agenda". Overall a very beneficial event to attend.

VII. Action Items

a. 1.006 WSU - Vancouver membership recognition

Submitted by Shawn Hoey, WSU

Motion to accept by McKibbens, Second by Peacock. Motion Passed

b. 1.007 Approval of Mike Bogatay as WSL Executive Director

Submitted by Jake Stillwell, CWU

Motion to accept by Lowe, Second by Iseminger, Motion Passed

c. 1.008 Approval of President & Vice President as signers of checking account

Submitted by Brianne Wood, BCC

Friendly amendment by Stillwell: change the "checking account" to "banking account. Accepted.

Motion to accept by Lowe, Second by Peacock, Motion Passed

d. I. 1.009 Agreement with Win/Win Network

Submitted by Stillwell

Iseminger makes friendly amendment to strike all of number 1 and the sentence in number 5 that begins "WSL should take position...". Accepted.

McKibben makes friendly amendment to remove the line from number 5 beginning "Win/Win is developing a voter guide..." and the last sentence of number 5.

Stillwell clarifies that a cover letter will be included to articulate that we will not be engaging in any partisan vote work.

Motion to accept by Hoey, second by Lowe. Motion passed.

- e. 2.004 Endorsement 501(c)3 Washington Student Foundation
Submitted by Elliott
Friendly amendment by Lowe to add “ly” to the word “official”. Accepted.
Friendly amendment by Peltier, “appropriating” and a “to” in front of the “be” in the that line to be removed. Accepted.
Motion to accept by Peacock, Gradszaya seconds, motion passed.

- f. 2.005 Budget adjustment for new office
Submitted by Stillwell
Discussion:
Peltier- We need to think about new members and the space constraints they’ll be facing if we don’t consider this move.
Hoey- Asked about copy machine and costs
Lindstrom- The copy machine and copy costs aren’t really that big a problem is, our current copy machine is a “wheezer”.
Ishmael- Asks if we’ll be getting new furniture and the response is that we’ll need to reassess if and when we move.
Simmons moved to authorize move to 200 Union Ave, S.E.; appropriate additional rent to \$5,400/yr; and, authorize Executive Director to change address with bank accounts and Secretary of State.
McKibbens motion, Lowe seconds. Motion passed.

- g. 3.006 Changing the name of Washington Student Lobby to Washington Student Association
Submitted by Bahr
Lowe- asks that the name change/name brand be postponed until the spring GA.
McKibben- says that this resolution should be introduced into the Fall GA and let them discuss it.
Lindstrom- Proposes that if the GA likes the idea of a WSL name change then they mandate that the Board take the necessary actions.
Stillwell- summarizes that the need for the rebrand is necessary but now is not the time to actively pursue it and the resolution should be forwarded to the GA.
Motion fails.

VIII. Issue Roundtable & School Reports

- a. Chapter Development Plan
Stillwell presents a powerpoint on chapter development. **See CD.**

- b. Student Vote Campaign
Bogatay presents a tentative list of activities that USSA can offer help with.

- c. WSL Policies & Job Descriptions
Peltier introduces the document; it’s a basic human resources-like manual. The document came about when the issue of drug testing was explored.

- d. School reports
BCC- Started vote work, coordinating with radio station,
WSU- Next week is homecoming and a big push for registration will be applied then.
WSU GPSA- Working for providing evening childcare for graduate students.
CWU- The Presidential search is continuing and the new president will hopefully be named in November. Voter registration has been going well.
UW- The registration project is going strong.

UW GPSS- Voter turnout events and debates are planned. A summit is planned and legislators are invited and important issues will be discussed. Also, the chapter is coming along nicely.

WWU- The new president is still a bit of a mystery but the AS has hit the ground running. Also, they're analyzing their tech fees. Vote work, headed up by Ishmael, is going splendid and many voter registration events are planned for the upcoming week.

EWU- Freshman just arrived and a WSL fee is being implemented. Voter registration projects are planned for homecoming.

Peltier will be providing the members with the precedence regarding the lack of applicability of Initiative I-960 and student funds.

IX. Presentations and Public Testimony

a. United States Student Association (Sarah Ishmael)

Elected to the Women's Caucus Chair. The Congress developed USSA's campaigns for the rest of the year, Equal Opportunity Campaign, Veteran Reprieve, DREAM Act. Emails will be dispersed regarding these and other USSA activities. The HEA Reauthorization Act came about through direct USSA efforts. The USSA and ACLU are engaged in a lawsuit against the Michigan Secretary of State because of their voter cancellation procedures.

Peacock- Stated that the voting structure has changed, giving the state associations more votes. The May USSA BOD Meeting is at the University of Oregon.

Peltier- Asks that something on the WSL website show we are indeed a member of USSA.

Stillwell- States that the WSL doesn't have the budgetary availability to send those on the USSA Board to events.

X. Information Items

a. Agenda Item Submission Form

See CD.

XI. Announcements

a. Future Meetings

i. October 25th, 2008 at Washington State University, Pullman

Stillwell- The meeting will start at noon.

ii. November 8th, 2008 at Central Washington University

1. Board meeting will convene at 11:00am

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iii. Set December Meeting Date

Meeting will be at BCC on December the 6th at noon.

b. Electoral Action Training at CWU, September 27-28

c. Nov. 14-16, 2008, 19th Annual Northwest Student Leadership Conference, Portland State University

XII. Adjournment

Motion passed unanimously, 3:25

Board of Directors Resolution 1.010

25th Session

October 25, 2008

Submitted By: Brianne Wood, WSL VP of Legislative Affairs

Implementation of New Legislative Agenda Format

WHEREAS: The 2008-2009 WSL Legislative Agenda will be decided at the November General Assembly;

WHEREAS: The development of the Legislative Agenda is a crucial process for the year;

WHEREAS: The current process for the crafting the legislative agenda is very long and cumbersome;

WHEREAS: It was discussed at the WSL Retreat to implement a new way of submitting issues to be considered for the WSL Legislative Agenda;

WHEREAS: The new format will make the legislative agenda crafting process much easier during the general assembly;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WSL BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

THAT: The Washington Student Lobby officially adopts a new format for crafting the WSL Legislative Agenda using the Legislative Agenda Item Form.

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Board of Directors Resolution 1.011

25th Session

October 25, 2008

Submitted By: Jacob Peltier, WSL VP of Recruitment and Retention

Approval of the Washington Student Lobby Policy and Procedures Manual

WHEREAS: Members of the Board of Directors requested the Executive Committee to establish a policy regarding drugs at the June 2008 Board meeting;

WHEREAS: The Executive Committee found that establishment of a comprehensive Policy and Procedures Manual would satisfy the need for a drug policy as well as any future issues that may arise;

WHEREAS: The Executive Committee presented a draft version of the Policy and Procedures Manual to the Board of Directors at the September 21, 2008 meeting;

WHEREAS: The Executive Committee has revised the Policy and Procedures Manual and sought input from members of the Board of Directors;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WSL BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

THAT: The Washington Student Lobby adopt Policy and Procedures Manual.

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Board of Directors Resolution 2.006

25th Session
October 25, 2008

Submitted By: Brianne Wood, VP of Legislative Affairs

Supplementing Rent for the WSL VP of Legislative Affairs

WHEREAS: It is highly beneficial that the WSL VP of Legislative Affairs be in Olympia during session to help with any efforts that will increase WSL's success with legislation.

WHEREAS: Brianne Wood, WSL VP of Legislative Affairs will be in Olympia during the 2009 Legislative Session.

WHEREAS: The WSL VP of Legislative Affairs will be staying with the ASBCC Liaison during the 2009 Legislative Session.

WHEREAS: The WSL should provide some fiscal support for housing for the WSL VP of Legislative Affairs as it is an unpaid position.

WHEREAS: WSL and ASBCC will enter into a letter of understanding about payment between the two organizations for this matter.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WSL BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

THAT: The Washington Student Lobby approves spending no more than \$600 during the 2009 Legislative Session for rent and utilities for the WSL VP of Legislative Affairs.

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Board of Directors Resolution 3.007

25th Session
October 25, 2008

Submitted By: Logan Bahr, WSL VP of Communications

A Resolution to change the name of the Washington Student Lobby to the Washington Student Association.

WHEREAS: The WSL Board of Directors approved the Strategic Action Plan at the April 2008 board meeting, and;

WHEREAS: Goal 8 of the Strategic Action Plan calls for the re-branding of the WSL to more accurately reflect the mission, vision and actions of the organization, and;

WHEREAS: The WSL is and will be engaging in vote work, student organizing, campus initiative support, and other activities of which the name "lobby" does not appropriately reflect, and;

WHEREAS: The WSL General Assembly has the power to amend the WSL name and image to better reflect the organization's mission, vision and actions, and;

WHEREAS: The WSL Board of Directors has determined the best time for a comprehensive re-branding campaign to be after the Legislative Session.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WSL BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

THAT: The WSL General Assembly approve the implementation of an action plan for the name change of Washington Student Lobby to Washington Student Association to be completed in Spring of 2009.

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