Associated Students of Fort Lewis College Meeting Minutes

Date: 10/2/24

Location: Senate Chambers

**Members Present:**

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| Name | In Attendance | Absent |
| President Bitsilly |  | x |
| Vice President Carmen | x |  |
| Speaker Miguel | x |  |
| Senator Williams |  | x |
| Senator Acosta | x |  |
| Senator Broadus |  | x |
| Senator Hamilton |  | x |
| Senator Childers | x |  |
| Senator Carlton | x |  |
| Senator Bearden | tardy |  |
| Senator Bolduc | x |  |
| Senator Devinski | x |  |

Administrative Parliamentarian: Kyle Hornbuckle

FAB Director Miller: In Attendance

**Guests**:

# Call to Order

* 1. Meeting called to order by Vice President Carmen at: 7:02pm
  2. Quorum established. Yes

# Consent Items

* 1. No objections. Items passed by consent:
     + Approval of tonight’s meeting agenda
     + Approval of last meeting’s minutes

# Public Participation

* 1. No Public Participation

# Guest Speakers

1. Mario Martinez – Provost

Vice president of Academic Affairs and Provost. This includes admissions, advisors, financial aid, etc. This year his priorities are:

* degree success for all: to improve retention and graduation rates for students. Aims for Students to finish with a four-year degree.
* career readiness: want students to get a education that can connect them with careers.
* inclusive academic practices: values diversity and wants to enhance learning for all students.
* the integration of AI into Fort Lewis College

General Questions from audience:

* Where can you find him? he’s in Berndt 240
* What does it mean to be a Skyhawk? An important thing for our Campus are events that enhance student engagement.

From Table:

If you could change one thing about your Major, what would it be?

-have a mechanical engineering major

-English secondary education feels like a double major

-Musical theatre major, the location (theater building) has a lot of problems with its structure. Does not have access to amphitheater (concert hall) as much as they would want to in order to prepare as performers or gain experience on stage.

Response: The concert hall issue is currently being explored by Finance Administration. And other statements have been taken.

Speaker Miguel makes a motion to suspect parliamentary procedure for the duration of the Provosts presentation.

2nd by Senator Carlton

Motion Passes. Parliamentary procedure suspended for the duration of Provosts presentation

General questions:

* Scheduling classes together have become an increasing issue in which most don’t seem to work together. A lot of the classes overlap making it hard to build a complete schedule with flexibility.

Response: the way to make your voice heard is to send the Provost an email about your issue so they can communicate them to faculty. They make a difference

* Make it more clear on Advising for what is useful for students
* For engineering majors don’t have room for electives, why are they still required to take liberal art courses.

Response: Part of our mission as a Liberal Arts school to provide a well-rounded education.

Provost Guest Speaker session ends.

1. Pathfinder Chiropractic – Stress Management

Has a community outreach program where they can provide support and education around stress management.

Gave a presentation on the spinal nervous system in how it responds to stress.

-at their office they try to find the root cause of stress symptoms. Helps with stress management and slowing down nervous system.

Questions:

How much is a visit? First visit is 100 dollars, but community visits are 30 dollars for first visit

Location? They are over in the Office Depot block.

Do you take insurance: no, unless you have insurance for chiropractic care in which you can be reimbursed.

# Discussion and Action items

1. S.R. 24-04 “Kayaking Club RSO I status Approval”

* Bearden moves to adopt S.R. 24-04 2nd by Senator Carlton

Bearden passes Speaking term to Nicol (public) to discuss Kayaking Club RSO

* Talks about how Kayaking will be good for the student body, want to provide space for people to practice their kayaking skill and build a community. Have free access to boats and gear and are competent instructors. Has communication with recenters for discounts. Has already secured fundraising to help support these costs. The goal is to help people enter the sport.
* Senator Morgan makes a motion to amend Kayaking Club RSO I status approval to RSO II status approval. 2nd by Senator Bearden
* -discussion on why it should be changed to RSO II status
* -FAB director discusses on what the differences between RSO I and II status evaluation looks like and why the FAB chose RSO I.
* -Speaking term passed to Nicol, mentions the goals of Kayaking Club
* -Speaker Miguel believes Kayacking Club should be elevated to RSO II s tatus
* -Senator Elianor agrees
* -Senator Bolduc agrees
* Motion Passes Unanimously. Kayaking club RSO I status approval now reads Kayaking Club RSO II status approval.
* Motion to adopt 24-04 passes unanimously.

1. S.R. 24-05 “Technical stage Productions RSO I Status Approval”

* Senator Bearden moves to approve S.R. 24-05 2nd by Senator Carlton

Discussion on the motion:

* -FAB director explains why FAB chose RSO I status
* -Senator Bolduc discusses that FAB passed RSO I unanimously
* S.R. 24-05 passes unanimously

1. S.R. 24-06 “Ian Groom Senator Appointment”

* Senator Devinski moves to adopt S.R. 24-06 2nd by Speaker Miguel.

Discussion:

-Speaker Miguel makes a motion to enter executive session for 5 minutes to interview Ian Groom. Motion passes unanimously.

* Executive session began at 8:06pm
* Senator Calton makes a motion to suspend for parliamentary procedure for executive session. 2nd by Senator Childers. Passes unanimously
* Interview with Ian Groom begins
* Executive session ended at 8:11pm

Discussion resumes:

No further discussion

* S.R. 24-06 passes unanimously. Senator Groom appointed to table

1. S.R. 24-07 “American Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology RSO II Approval”

Senator Childers moves to adopt S.R. 24-07 2nd by Speaker Miguel

Discussion:

* -speaking term passed to Linsey Johnston (public) to discuss Biochemistry and Molecular Biology RSO. The main purpose of this RSO is to learn biology and get students interested in their research.
* -Speaker Miguel asks if the RSO is part of a national organization.

No further discussion.

* S.R. 24-07 passes unanimously

1. S.R. 24-08 “FLC Theatre Club RSO II Status Approval”

* Senator Childers moves to adopt S.R. 24-08, 2nd by Senator Carlton

Discussion:

* -Speaking term passed to Lauren Rocket (public). Discusses how this RSOs goal is to create a platform for students to connect in the performing arts. Plans to connect to local schools to work on their plays. Further discusses what their RSO does. Expresses interest in RSO III status
* -Speaker Miguel asks who Theatre Club collaborates with.
* -FAB director explains RSO III needs a three year requirement.

No further discussion

* S.R. 24-08 Passes unanimously.

1. S.R. 24-09 “ASFLC & Rising Matriarchs Bingo Night Funding”

* Speaker Miguel moves to adopt, 2nd by Senator Acosta

Discussion:

* -Senator Devinski asks where the location this event will be held. Held in Student Union Plaza on October 9th 5-6pm.
* -Student services were not made aware this was their event
* -Discussion on the funding
* -Discussion on the prizes
* -FAB director says the ammount of $150 allocated to the event is acceptable
* -ASFLC advisor restates what the S.R. will do.
* S.R. 24-09 passes unanimously.

1. Fresh Check Day

-Speaker Miguel talks how this is an event Wel Pac puts on. The event will be on October 15th.

# Committee Reports

* 1. Constitution Committee
* Reading constitution and reading previous years Senate Resolutions.
  1. Student Services Committee
* Searching for ways to help Students destress for exam season
  1. Legislative Affairs Committee
* Has not formed yet
  1. Public Relations Committee
* Did not meet this week, looking to set up a meeting with KDR
* Wants to know what to do with the board and office space
* Needs headshots from ASFLC
* Is advised to collab with PEP for the election day event they want to hold
  1. Financial Allocation Board
* Had a view point neutrality training

# Executive Board Reports

* 1. President Bitsilly
     + Absent
  2. Vice President Hall
* No report
  1. Speaker of the Senate Miguel
* Talks about how KDR has their 15th anniversary coming up.
* Is creating a template for their reports
  1. FAB Director Miller
* Went over view point neutrality in the last FAB meeting
* Implemented new FAB criteria
* Went over FAB bylaws, rules and attendance
* New meeting procedures are set in place for next FAB meeting
* FLGS will present in the next meeting
* Possible event grant for Dance motion in the next meeting.
  1. Chief Justice
* No chief Justice

# Adjournment

* 1. Table Business
     + Strategic Planning committee has design sessions
     + A primary agenda to mobilize committee work
  2. Hero Award
* Parliamentarian Hornbuckle gave award to FAB director Miller for quick action in improving FAB meetings.
  1. Adjournment
     + Meeting adjourned by FAB Director Miller at 8:55pm