

Incidental Fee Committee Meeting #8

Thursday March 5, 2026 | 6:15 PM

WUC Columbia Room and Zoom passcode: 650617

Rhylie Sevits in Chair

Minutes

1. Call to Order
 - 6:22PM
2. Approval of the agenda
 - Maddy: Moves to approve the agenda
 - Madi L: Seconds
 - Agenda approved
3. Approval of the minutes from 02/12/26 Meeting #7
 - Maddy: Moves to approve the minutes from 02/12/26
 - Cody Lynn: Seconds
 - Minutes approved

Approval of the minutes from 02/23/26 Open Hearing #1

 - Ema: Moves to approve the minutes from Open Hearing #1
 - Nathaniel: I second
 - Minutes approved

Approval of the minutes from 02/24/26 Open Hearing #2

 - Nathaniel: Moves to approve the minutes from Open Hearing #2
 - Cody Lynn: I second
 - Minutes approved

Approval of the minutes from 02/26/26 Open Hearing #3

 - Cody Lynn: Moves approve the minutes from Open Hearing #3
 - Ema: Seconds
 - Minutes approved
4. Roll Call
 - IFC Members
 - i. Rhylie Sevits
 - ii. Cody Lynnn Dickenson
 - iii. Ema Aros
 - iv. Nathaniel Rivera
 - v. Madi LaCrosse
 - vi. Kira Shelton
 - vii. April Mendieta
 - viii. Brooke Wittgow
 - ix. Maddy Wilson

- Advisors
 - i. Camarie Moreno
 - ii. Evan Sorce
- Area Heads
 - i. Rip Horsey, Campus Rec.
 - ii. Daniel Tankersley, Creative Arts
 - iii. Joey Guerra, ASWOU
 - iv. Brittany Kima, WOLF Ride
 - v. Kristen Perry, Abby's House
 - vi. Linden Loren, Student Media
 - vii. Devyn Linder Adams, SAB
 - viii. Jadyn Smith, SAB
 - ix. Chelsee Blatner, Student Engagement
 - x. Tammy Gardner, CDC
 - xi. Rian Gayle, ACCESS
- Other Representatives
 - i. Maggie Bartosvksy, ASWOU Senate President
 - ii. Anfisa Boianoff, ASWOU Senate Pro Tempore
- IFC Secretary
 - i. Paula Taylor

5. Old Business

- None

6. New Business

- Open Hearing/Student Feedback
 - i. Brooke: Overall students liked how we had fee set up and supporting their area.
 - ii. Cody Lynn: Lot of students were getting confused on what IFC funds. Athletics was making statements that football needed more money for scholarships. Maybe next year educate students more on what IFC funds
 - iii. Kira: What I heard a lot was cut athletics or more money for athletics.
 - iv. Rhyllie: Good for IFC next year to advertise in ways we have not been doing. Get more students into regular meetings.
 - v. Ema: Saw mentions more about going to Abby's House.
 - vi. Kira: Couple students mentioning not raise fee but more towards student employment. Still in support to keep fee.
 - vii. Ema: Quiet a few said that athletics funding is excessive. More to Abby's House and other student programs.
 - viii. Nathaniel: Reading Involve feedback; football players want more money for football. Not raising the fee.
 - ix. Cody Lynn: Lot of students saying not increase the fee but increase student employment. Not increase will result in cuts. Student employment will be impacted by that.

- x. Nathaniel: Lot of money for athletics is not for student employment. Maybe exploring we can cut to not raise the fee completely.
- xi. Maddy: We do not get to choose where the money goes? If we do not like \$50,000 going to a cheer coach, we do not have a say in that, right?
- xii. Rhyllie: For clarification: whatever their cut package says. We need to focus on cut packages. Athletics cut is student employment and equipment. Reduce fee and look at cut packages.
- xiii. Kira: We do not have to cut 5% or 10%. Also, Nathaniel were you talking a cut for everyone or just athletics?
- xiv. Rhyllie: Athletics cut package is equipment and student employment.
- xv. Nathaniel: Look at cut packages and then decide what we want to do and do not have to do the full 5%.
- xvi. Rhyllie: Look at a lower fee and then look at cut packages.
- xvii. Kira: Rather raise the fee and look if we want to take from one area to give to others.
- xviii. Nathaniel: Raising the fee and then do cuts does not make sense.
- xix. Maddy: Raising the fee to keep everything the same, right. Not to give somebody more money?
- xx. Rhyllie: Correct. Camarie, how would it work if we raise the fee and then move money around?
 - 1. Camarie: Totally up to you all. You did not entertain enhancements. It is your call on fee and allocations.
- xxi. Kira: We exact amount that they asked and we could round up. Two years ago we had more money and just decided who to give more. Everybody CSL and take way \$30,000 from athletics we could do that.
- xxii. Ema: Do we have to ask area heads for enhancement package?
 - 1. Kira: It is not an enhancement from their side it is us giving extra money to an area.
 - 2. Rhyllie: An enhancement is them telling us what they want the money for, us giving them additional money they can do what they want.
 - 3. Maggie: You can do what you want but taking student input into consideration you can do that.
 - 4. Rhyllie: If we want to do that we could ask area what they would do with it.
- xxiii. Rhyllie: Let's focus on the fee again.
- xxiv.
- Final Decision
 - i. Student Fee
 - 1. Kira: I move to approve to raise the student fee to \$448 on-campus, \$227 online/off campus and \$170 for summer.
 - 2. Rhyllie: Roll call vote
 - a. Brooke yes, April yes, Maddy yes, Kira yes, Madi yes, Nathaniel no, Ema yes, Cody Lynn yes.

3. Motion passes 7-1-0

Rip ask secretary to look who seconded this motion. Secretary states that there was no second. Rip informs parliamentarian about the absence of a second.

4. Maggie: Was there a second for the motion?

a. Rhylye: No, there was not.

5. Cody Lynn: I second

6. Rhylye: Do we have to revote?

a. Maggie: Yes.

7. Rhylye: Roll call vote.

a. Brooke yes, April yes, Maddy yes, Kira yes, Madi yes, Nathaniel no, Ema yes, Cody Lynn yes.

b. Rhylye: Motion passes 7-1-0.

ii. Budget Allocation

1. Nathaniel: For the past 2 years the CDC has not used all their funds. If we wanted to move some of the funds to Abby's House. It does come back to us.

2. Kira: Who?

a. Nathaniel: Child Development Center.

3. Madi: Is that because of their grants?

a. Camarie: This is just for WOU students a discount on the childcare price.

4. Kira: Money not used goes back to IFC right?

a. Rhylye: Yes.

Rhylye puts meeting at recess for 5 minutes at 6:50PM

Evan Sorce enters the meeting at 6:51PM

Rhylye call meeting back from recess at 6:55PM

5. Rhylye: We were talking about budget allocation. Let's share our thoughts

a. Nathaniel: Based on CDC statistics and reduce their funding by \$10,000 to \$29,540 and add it to Abby's House to increase to \$79,113.

b. Maddy: What would Abby's House do with the extra money?

i. Kristen: Use it for student employment, and Abby's House programming.

c. Maddy: Tammy how would this affect you?

i. Tammy: Need for supplement for WOU students not affected right now. Our grant funding is volatile.

ii. Rhylye: That is a third of their budget

iii. Tammy: and what is not used always rolls back to IFC.

6. Ema: How many student workers is Abby's House projected to have next year?

a. Kristen: 8 student workers.

7. Evan: My job is to give you advise. We have told people to not entertain enhancement, and now you are taking money away to give to someone else.
8. Kira: If we move forward with this I don't think CDC is the best choice.
9. Rhyllie: It got brought up that students who came to Open Hearing were not parents.
10. Cody Lynn: Not in favor of shifting budget whatsoever. We did not entertain enhancements. In CDC presentation it says it help retain students by affordable childcare.
11. Madi: That is why to brought up the grants. If that goes away
12. Ema: In favor with Cody Lynn about not taking money from CDC. Do think if we can find ways to move around money there were a lot of student that wanted increase for other areas.
13. Kira: I only remember students wanting to take money from athletics.
14. Cody Lynn: If we are entertaining to cut budgets, we should look at athletics.
 - a. Kira: Yes.
15. Ema: I agree with Kira.
16. Madi: Brittany, were you able to find out if the lift can go into the new van?
 - a. Brittany: Oregon Mobility Solutions said yes due to the life cycle of the lift. We have only used it 700 times.
17. Ema: Wondering if you are looking into getting a new van and putting the lift on it?
 - a. Brittany: Yes, but we cannot afford it right now.
18. Madi: A 2.5% cut to athletics would be enough to get WOLF Ride a new van. How many repairs this year?
 - a. Brittany: I think last time was last year around Spring Break. It was out in January, twice since December 4-5 days.
19. Rhyllie: Let's look at the sheet that states all the repairs needed.
 - a. Cody Lynn: Transmission, check engine light comes on, speed sensor, cost break down \$1,647.17 and \$352.00 last year and more this year.
20. Rhyllie: Not cut student employment. Cut athletics 2.5% is \$23,611.80
 - a. Nathaniel: The athletic cut package states equipment first.
 - b. Rhyllie: I think, a little equipment and a little student employment but I do not want to speak for Randi who is not here.
21. Ema: Cut equipment means athletes need to do fundraisers.
22. Kira: If we are cutting someone, how would they fundraise?
23. Evan: 2 Open Hearings were dominated by athletics. Encourage to look at student feedback data. Randi is not here because women's basketball team made it to the tournament and they won tonight. Athletics are very visible in the community. Just make sure there is good rational to cut.

24. Maggie: Really want some clarification on things there is another meeting on the books.
25. Evan: If considering cutting athletics maybe wait to next week when Randi is here.
26. Rhyllie: There are a lot athletes do for the community.
27. Brooke: I go to a lot of sports games. Not in favor of cutting. A lot of athletes came to Open Hearing.
28. Kira: Compare last year's budget and this year. Last year travel this year equipment. The fact cutting this year is completely different than last year.
 - a. Rhyllie: It is not just equipment.
29. Ema: I do not feel comfortable without Randi saying what it would do to them.
30. Rhyllie: Let's use our meeting next week.
31. Cody Lynn: I am not a student that goes to sports games, I do recognize that there are students going to the games. Not in favor of making cuts at this moment.
32. Kira: We should table athletics discussion.
33. Ema: Could we ask the places that we are looking at to increase for what the increase would do?
 - a. Rhyllie: No, because we did not ask for enhancements.
34. Maddy: I want to get a feel for this? Are we wanting to cut certain departments? Should we have increased the fee more?
 - a. Rhyllie: We could not have.
35. Maddy: But there was no talk from students to enhance many departments. Only athletics cut it or raise it. What are we going for here?
 - a. April: If we are removing money from a department realistically it is going to negatively impact any of them. Not beneficial, already decided to raise the fee, seems a little counterintuitive.
 - b. Nathaniel: Agree with April. Can I make a motion?
 - c. Rhyllie: Yes.
 - d. Kira: We started talking about it because creative arts students and others were asking for money.
36. Ema: Students asking for increasement was primarily football.
37. Nathaniel: I move to allocate \$39,540 to CDC.
 - a. Rhyllie: No second for this motion. Motion dies.
38. Brooke: In the Open Hearing we had track & field, softball and a bunch of different groups.
39. Kira: We can do the budgets one by one and not all at the same time.
 - a. Rhyllie: You can do it any way you want.
 - b. Cody Lynn: Is it possible to go line by line next meeting?
40. Ema: Is Randi going to be at the next meeting?
 - a. Evan: Yes, she confirmed she would be here.

- IFSC
 - i. Evan IFSC does not happen until after IFC is finished. We have a proposal to IFSC about computer replacement that brings a little more order.
 - ii. Rhyllie: Does everyone know what IFSC is?
 - 1. Maggie: I am not here next week. Anfisa will be your parliamentarian. IFSC is committee to update by-laws. Chair, and ASWOU president nominate 3 students, 2 advisors.
 - iii. Maggie: Are the 2024 IFC by-laws posted on the website?
 - 1. Paula: That hurts my heart. The IFC by-laws are posted.
 - 2. Camarie pulls up the by-laws on website.
 - 3. 2024 is last year bylaws were updated.
 - iv. Ema: What are you talking about with computers.
 - 1. Evan: There is confusion about how computer replacement works. IFC funds computers for student fee funded areas. Timeline and order on replacement. Advisors have developed a process on how much money is allocated, timeline, and a running list on how many computers are funded through this fund.
 - 2. Maggie: Could you make a requirement as what qualifies as an IFC computer and how to get them.
 - a. Evan: We could do a little bit more on clarification and there is a list of computers that IFC all fund.
 - b. Paula: Not all areas have IFC funded computers. Creative arts, Abby's House, Wolf Ride, CDC do not have computers.
 - c. Daniel: We have purchased computer for IFC activities with IFC funds, how do we get on the list?
 - d. Evan: We can clarify that. Cap on amount of money per computer, what you can buy, emergency replacement need. All get tracked.
 - e. Camarie: I have made a note that there will be an eligible computer list.
 - v. Cody Lynn: I move to table the budget allocation and IFSC to next Thursday.
 - 1. Madi: I second
 - 2. Rhyllie: No dissent. Budget allocation and IFSC tabled to next week.

7. Messages from the Floor

- Rhyllie: Any messages from the floor?
 - i. Evan: If you want to serve on IFSC talk to ASWOU President Morgan and IFC Chair Rhyllie.
 - 1. Rhyllie: Just one or two meetings.
- Linden: There is this event Liberty Laps by VRC, Campus Rec and Western Howl. Fundraiser for the VRC. Look on Involve for details on how to participate.
- Cody Lynn: Clarification on IFSC, do IFC members have to be on it?
 - i. Rhyllie: You can, do not have to.

8. Adjournment

- Nataniel moves to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 PM.
 - i. Ema seconds.
 - ii. Meeting adjourned.