

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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BOARD BILL 3.17: An Act to Establish an Annual Board of Directors Travel Fund for Conferences and Representation

WHEREAS: The Associated Students of the University of Washington (ASUW) recognizes the importance of student representation at intercollegiate and statewide conferences;

WHEREAS: Events such as the Association of Big Ten Students (ABTS) Fall Conference and ABTS on the Hill provide essential opportunities for advocacy, leadership development, and collaboration with peer institutions;

WHEREAS: These conferences serve as key venues for advancing ASUW's legislative priorities, building partnerships, and developing professional competencies among student leaders;

WHEREAS: The absence of a dedicated annual travel fund limits the Board of Directors' ability to consistently engage in these external opportunities;

WHEREAS: Establishing a recurring travel fund will streamline future budgeting, ensure equitable access to leadership development, and reduce the need for individual funding requests;

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

THAT: An allocation of \$10,000 from the ASUW General Fund be designated as the Board of Directors Travel Fund for Fiscal Year 2026;

THAT: This fund shall be used for conference registration, transportation, lodging, and per diem expenses related to approved representation at official conferences and advocacy events, including but not limited to ABTS Fall Conference and ABTS on the Hill;

THAT: The ASUW President and the ASUW Finance and Budget Director shall jointly oversee expenditures from this fund in consultation with the SAO Advisor;

THAT: Any unused funds shall roll back into the ASUW General Fund at the end of the fiscal year;

THAT: A copy of this bill be forwarded to Khushi Loomba, ASUW Finance and Budget Director; Marshall Traverse, Associate Director SAO; Trevor Hunt, Associate Director, HUB Finance and Business Operation; Carrie Moore, HUB Director.

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