



Associated Students of the University of Washington

Board of Directors | [Agenda](#) | Session 125

January 22, 2026 | Husky Union Building 303 | 5:30 PM

The ASUW acknowledges the stewards of Coast Salish lands, the lands on which we currently sit, and the UW occupies. We acknowledge the original and current caretakers; Duwamish, Suquamish, Tulalip, and Muckleshoot nations and peoples.

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Call to Order

Nandana calls this meeting to order at 5:34 pm.

Land Acknowledgement

Roll Call | 16 total. *10 voting. 6 quorum | # present (P). # excused (E). # absent (A).

P | *President – **Nandana Jaideep**

P | *Vice President – **Sonal Virk**

P | Director of Personnel – **Owen Rivera**

P | Director of Finance and Budget – **Khushi Loomba**

P | Director of Communications – **Peyton Sax**

P | *Director of Internal Policy – **Ashwin Anand**

P | *Director of Diversity Efforts – **Valeria Perez-Levy**

P | *Director of University Affairs – **Kate Lawson**

P | *Director of Programming – **Grace Clarke**

P | *Director of Community Relations – **Jessica Phan**

P | *Director of Campus Partnerships – **Audriana Scott**

P | *GPSS Vice President of Internal Affairs – **Juan Mora**

P | *Student Senate Speaker – **Erick Jacobsen**

P | Board of Directors Coordinator – **Caroline Huguely**

P | Associate Director of Student Activities – **Marshall Traverse**

P | Husky Union Building Director – **Carrie Moore**

Public Forum

Lydia Manville introduces herself as the General Manager of Rainy Dawg Radio. She explains that she collaborated with **Grace** on Board Bill 3.27. She points to the Birthday Fest cost breakdown sheet in the references of the Bill and explains that Birthday Fest funding is always tight, but typically RDR has been able to obtain extra funding for the event through SAO. She says, however, because of limited budget constraints for SAO this year, they can't get funding from them. She adds that this is why RDR is requesting extras funds for Birthday Fest from the BOD. She explains that the cost for the event is higher than usual this year because they recieved a quote from an interested headliner for \$20,000, and the total budget for the event is \$15,000.

Owen asks if they can know who the interested performer is.

Lydia says she can't say since they've not officially booked them yet.

Owen says okay.

Lydia explains to cover the \$20,000 entertainment cost, RDR is asking for all structural costs to be covered by the ASUW general fund.

Nandana says public comment only lasts two minutes, and they will take questions when the Bill is presented by **Grace**. She adds that **Grace** can yield her time to **Lydia** to answer questions.

Approval of the Agenda

Khushi motions to approve.

Valeria seconds.

Agenda approved with unanimous consent. 5:40 pm.

Approval of the Minutes

Erick motions to approve.

Jessica seconds.

1/15 minutes approved with unanimous consent. 5:42 pm.

Consent Agenda

None.

New Business

- [BOARD BILL 5.07 \(R-32-2\) A Resolution to Participate in the Western Undergraduate Exchange](#)

Erick reads Board Bill 5.07 aloud in its entirety.

Ashwin asks if this program acts as a scholarship for the 335 participating out-of-state students.

Erick says yes.

Ashwin asks if any UW leadership has had a discussion about joining.

Erick explains that a large amount of discussion in the Student Senate revolved around the monetary cost of joining the exchange. He says that UW, ultimately, can decide how many people are admitted to the program and therefore determine the cost of the program.

Nandana clarifies if this is a UW conference or a student government thing.

Erick says it is a UW conference.

Peyton says as an out-of-state student, there are not many needs-based scholarships available. She explains that getting this on the administration's table is a good idea, and she trusts GAVEL to see its implementation through. She shares her appreciation for **Erick** advocating for out-of-state students.

Peyton motions to approve Board Bill 5.07.

Grace seconds.

Board Bill 5.07 passes. 9.0.1. 5:51 pm.

- [BOARD BILL 5.08 \(LD-32-2\) A Legislative Directive Supporting Joint Memorial 8014](#)

Erick reads Board Bill 5.08 aloud in its entirety.

Nandana shares her appreciation for the Student Senate passing this so quickly.

Ashwin motions to approve.

Audriana seconds.

Board Bill 5.08 passes unanimously. 5:53 pm.

- [BOARD BILL 3.26 - An Act to Allocate \\$9,000 for the Hiring of a Headline Performer for the Annual ASUW QSC Drag Show](#)

Valeria reads Board Bill 3.26 aloud in its entirety.

Khushi thanks **Valeria** for bringing this to the Board. She says she is happy to see commissions utilizing their full amount of funding for programming.

Peyton says as a Drag Race fan, she is excited to see Irene come to campus. She says this will bring a ton of people to campus and result in a great turnout for QSC's event. She encourages everyone to come to the Drag Show.

Khushi asks **Valeria** to talk to **Jenna** about what the QSC thinks their budget for the Drag Show should be in future ASUW budgets.

Khushi motions to approve Board Bill 3.26.

Sonal seconds.

Board Bill 3.26 passes unanimously. 5:57 pm.

Nandana shouts out the ASUW Commissions for all their hard work and thanks **Valeria** for being a great liaison.

- [BOARD BILL 3.27 - An Act to Allocate Funding for Rainy Dawg Radio's Birthday Fest](#)

Grace reads Board Bill 3.27 aloud in its entirety.

Khushi asks how much of the financial breakdown includes necessary costs and how much of the breakdown includes luxury costs.

Lydia explains that every cost in the financial breakdown is a necessity except for the band. She says the band they received a \$20,000 quote from is Frost Children, who released an album last year and has over 600,000 monthly listeners on Spotify. She adds that costs for the rental services they use for sound and stage are rising.

Nandana thanks **Lydia** for the itemized cost breakdown.

Erick asks why the venue cost for the Quad was free last year but \$1,000 this year.

Lydia explains that the Quad is not often used as a concert space, but the accessibility and centrality of the space greatly improved last year's Birthday Fest event. She says last year it was free, but this year they've imposed an all-day \$1,000 rate.

Khushi asks if there is any other entertainment RDR is looking to have besides the headliner.

Lydia explains that a majority of the entertainment cost goes toward the headliner, but another \$2500 in the entertainment cost goes toward hiring local acts.

Peyton explains that she planned Birthday Fest with RDR last year, and the event was well attended. She says that they looked at other venue options last year, but the Quad's accessibility and sound amplification is unmatched. She adds that the rise in cost is disappointing. She shouts out RDR for their hard work on this event, and she is looking forward to attending.

Grace explains that her previous Board Bill that asked for programming funding, was less than last year's ask from the Director of Programming. She says that SAO was able to chip in \$13,000 last year, along with another \$13,000 from last year's DOP's programming funding Board Bill. She says that, even with this ask, RDR's ask for outside funding is still less than they received last year.

Erick motions to approve Board Bill 3.27.

Khushi seconds.

Board Bill 3.27 passes. 9.0.1. 6:05 pm.

- [BOARD BILL 3.28 – An Act by ASUW to Fund the Purchase of Naloxone by the Husky Health Center](#)

Audriana reads Board Bill 3.28 aloud in its entirety.

Erick asks why the “whereas” clauses state that Husky Health needs \$13,600 to fund the amount of Naloxone, but the “that” clauses ask for \$14,500 in funding.

Audriana explains that she texted **Abigail** from Husky Health, who expressed that the \$14,500 is to cover any potential growing need for Naloxone.

Ashwin expresses his support for this Bill, but he asks why Husky Health is unable to fund this themselves.

Audriana explains because of budget cuts, the government has not been able to supply them with the legally required amount Husky Health is meant to have.

Erick says **Abigail** explained to him that the law requires them to give out a certain amount of Naloxone, but the government is no longer providing them that quantity, so they are having to unexpectedly cover the cost so they can still abide by the legally required amount.

Ashwin says he is happy for ASUW to be a fail safe for Husky Health, but he worries about what Husky Health would do if ASUW couldn't fund the Naloxone in the future.

Audriana explains that this is just supposed to be for this year. She says she'll work with **Erick** and Husky Health to discuss how to make this more sustainable in the future.

Nandana asks if this is to address a short-term gap. She asks if this will ultimately be Husky Health's problem to solve.

Audriana says yes, unless ASUW finds a way to make funding for Naloxone sustainable in the upcoming years.

Erick says **Abigail** from Husky Health was very clear with him that this would be a one-time occurrence.

Nandana clarifies that because of the state's budget issues, they cannot provide the amount of Naloxone to Husky Health they are supposed to, leaving ASUW to fill in the gap because UW and Husky Health are also both under tight budget constraints.

Audriana says yes.

Peyton says the government needs to do their job.

Jessica asks what the required amount of Naloxone Husky Health is required to have.

Audriana says at least 100 per month.

Nandana motions to approve Board Bill 3.28.

Peyton seconds.

Board Bill 3.28 passes unanimously. 6:13 pm.

Nandana thanks **Audriana** for doing the work that the state should be doing.

Audriana shouts out **Erick** for his work on this initiative.

- [BOARD BILL 1.05 An Act to Amend the ASUW Bylaws to Further Tri-Campus Collaboration and Relieve Administrative Burdens in the Structure of the ASUW](#)

Erick reads Board Bill 1.05 aloud in its entirety.

Nandana says that this Bill is extremely comprehensive and talks about high-level governance, which requires extensive discussion. She says they shouldn't make any decisions in haste, especially because the Bill covers multiple things and many different individual positions. She asks **Erick** to explain the rationale behind the clause that mentions special elections.

Erick explains that special elections are notoriously difficult, and the EAC expressed issues holding a special election and the lack of turnout with them. He adds that when a previous Director of Community Relations was no longer holding that role, there was no way for them to deal with that, other than a special election that the EAC did not have the capacity to hold. He explains that ASUW Constitution says for other than the President, ASUW can decide how to fill a BOD vacancy. He says they could also try to hire the position instead of a special election, but they may have to consult the Constitution for the validity of that. He says having an election for the position through the Student Senate, it takes the burden off EAC while still allowing for some sort of election to take place.

Sonal clarifies that in place of a special election to replace a BOD vacancy, the Student Senate would hold an election within the Senate to elect the new BOD member.

Erick says that is correct.

Sonal asks if the main issue behind the EAC holding a special election was that they wouldn't have the capacity to do so.

Erick says yes.

Sonal asks if this would allow the Senate to vote on the person to fill the position.

Erick says yes.

Sonal says that the student body should be picking BOD members instead of the Senate.

Erick says he would be open to an amendment that would require the EAC to put on special elections for BOD vacancies.

Owen says if there is a special election, it would be viable to give the EAC a stipend for the extra hours they work during that time. He asks for Article 7's mention of volunteer pages staying open for one week to be changed to say two weeks.

Erick agrees.

Owen motions to make an amendment to Article 7, Clause C, changing one week to two weeks.

Erick seconds.

Motion passes unanimously. 6:28 pm.

Owen says that his discussion item pertains to Constitution and Bylaw discussion. He says it may be worthy to table this until they are able to discuss that.

Ashwin says that even though the barrier to entering the Senate is relatively low, there is still a barrier that prevents people from voting or joining in that special election. He says that if they hold a special election in the Senate, he would like for the barrier to enter Senate to be completely removed so it is fairer.

Nandana says she doesn't like that idea because people in the Senate already know each other, and a person outside of the Senate will not have that equal leverage. She says that any election for BOD positions should be held separate from purely ASUW spaces since there are plenty of students who run in the elections that have non-ASUW communities that support them. She says that portion of accessibility must remain in ASUW elections, so she doesn't agree with holding any special elections in the Senate.

Ashwin agrees.

Khushi seconds **Owen's** point that EAC would likely receive a stipend for the extra hours spent on a special election.

Nandana explains that she understands that this Bill is specifically in response to the JR introduced in the Senate, which primarily focused on tri-campus relations. She says that this Bill's focus on many different aspects of ASUW's governance, combined with the points on tri-campus relations, is too much for one Board Bill. She says there needs to be more review and engagement with the parties mentioned before they pass this. She says she has mixed feelings about an advisory vote from the Senate on the Finance and Budget Committee because ASUW's budget requires thorough understanding and discussion. She says that people who are seeing the ASUW budget for the first time are going to feel overwhelmed by the information, and an advisory vote may not align with the views of the people who actively make internal decisions for ASUW. She says she is open to sharing the budget with the Senate, but not an advisory vote. She explains that regarding the tri-campus aspect of the Bill, she would like to ensure that ASUW-Tacoma

and ASUW-Bothell will add a similar level of accountability in their governing documents if they add these suggestions to ASUW-Seattle's governing documents.

Khushi says that the F&B Committee already has two Senate representatives who have a vote on the committee.

Erick says he is open to this Bill being a continued discussion over multiple weeks or to amend this Bill to remove everything except for the parts about tri-campus relations. He says if they make that amendment, he will create a separate bill to touch on the changes to the Bylaws.

Owen explains that everything that is mentioned in this Bill is worth having an in-depth discussion about. He says that his discussion item will touch on proposing a day-long BOD special meeting to solely focus on the Bylaws and Constitution.

Kate says she likes the idea of splitting this into two bills, one to address the tri-campus issues, and one to address amending the Bylaws. She says she would support taking a week to look at the Bill and suggest amendments at the next board meeting.

Ashwin adds that he is also in favor of splitting the Bill since the tri-campus collaboration is the more pressing issue.

Nandana says she prefers to split this Bill into two, like **Erick** mentioned.

Peyton explains that the Executive Board and her SAO advisors are currently working on fixing how to store ASUW Records. She says they can set up a meeting to discuss that if they would like to. She says that because special elections are not held very often, it could be difficult for EAC to figure it out. She suggests potentially assigning someone from the Senate to act as an interim member of the Board while the EAC figures out how to hold the special meeting.

Ashwin suggests tabling this Bill indefinitely and coming back next week to discuss it further. He says they should propose a bill related to the Bylaws after they have a longer meeting focused solely on the Bylaws.

Erick says they can amend the Bill today to remove everything but the tri-campus collaboration aspects.

Owen agrees with **Nandana's** idea of asking ASUW-Bothell and ASUW-Tacoma to create a similar sense of tri-campus collaboration accountability in their respective governing documents.

Peyton agrees. She says they should try and finish the tri-campus collaboration Bill today.

Nandana disagrees. She says that she would prefer to amend this Bill to only include the tri-campus aspects today, then table this until next week so she could have a meeting with OGR, who do the most tri-campus work. She says it would be worth it to talk to **Brandon** about how OGR feels about this and what ideas he has.

Ashwin agrees. He says that this Bill references changing the Bylaws entirely, and he doesn't want them to do that in haste. He asks if they should table indefinitely or only for one week.

Peyton agrees. She says they can amend this Bill this week, and then over the course of the next week, they can think about what ideas they want included and hold meetings with the people who do frequent tri-campus collaboration.

Erick explains that part of his goal with this Bill was to enter the Senate Steering meeting on Monday and give them some tangible evidence of what the Board is working on in regard to these issues. He asks if there are any points the Board would like him to raise in regard to this Bill while in the Steering meeting.

Nandana thanks **Erick**. She says, right now, they should motion to amend this bill to include only tri-campus information and then come back with a more solidified understanding next week. She adds that **Erick** can relay that information to Steering on Monday.

Ashwin motions to strike all lines except for 31-43 and 94-149 and to amend the title of Board Bill 1.05 to be named "An Act to Amend the ASUW Bylaws to Further Tri-Campus Collaboration"

Nandana seconds.

Motion passes unanimously. 6:48 pm.

Erick says that when it comes to the tri-campus meetings, they can delegate that to a memorandum of understanding.

Nandana asks if that would replace the idea in lines 21-25.

Erick says yes.

Nandana says she likes that. She asks what **Erick** envisions for that process.

Erick explains that he has been drafting a memorandum of understanding to bring to ASUW-Bothell, ASUW-Tacoma, and GPSS for months. He says that the memorandum of understanding will address large goals of what the campuses would like to achieve together and how many times they would like to meet, but there is no strict requirement in the memorandum. He explains that he was planning to meet with the tri-campus Senate leaders to agree with what the best terms are. He says that everyone relevant to the agreement would sign it, and do the ideas laid out there to the best of their ability until it no longer serves the entity.

Nandana asks if **Erick** is thinking it will be less Bylaw amendments and more memorandums of understanding to explore different methods of tri-campus collaboration.

Erick explains that the Bylaws would clarify the purpose of the memorandums of understanding.

Owen motions to add “The ASUW President shall strive to meet the Presidents from ASUW-Bothell, ASUW-Tacoma, and the Graduate Professional Student Senate once a month to share information regarding campus initiatives and goals, contingent on the reciprocal effort to meet by the Presidents from ASUW-Bothell, ASUW-Tacoma, and the Graduate and Professional Student Senate” to line 25.

Erick seconds.

Motion passes unanimously. 6:52 pm.

Ashwin motions to table Board Bill 1.05 for one week.

Nandana seconds.

Board Bill 1.05 tabled. 10.0.0. 6:54 pm.

Old Business

None.

Executive Session

None.

Funding Updates

None.

Discussion Items

Owen explains that **Reaa** suggested that it would be helpful for BOD or any other relevant ASUW employees to receive official OPMA training. He says he agreed, and it could help employees gain a better understanding of OPMA.

Owen explains that they are due for a complete reworking of both the ASUW Bylaws and Constitution to make sure they are complying with each other and best fit for the current interests of the organization. He suggests having a BOD special meeting on a Saturday, potentially from 9-5, so they could go through the Bylaws and Constitution. He says that they could invite every ASUW employee to give input.

Ashwin says he struggled with OPMA, and if OPMA training could be recurring, that would be helpful. He says they should codify OPMA training somewhere.

Sonal says they do have OPMA training, but it is more BOD centered. She says it would be beneficial, however, to have training for other relevant ASUW employees.

Erick says a long 9-5 meeting is an interesting way to get around weekly taskforce meetings, which can take forever to establish.

Nandana says she can send out a When2Meet for Saturdays for the next month so they can see what Saturday everyone can meet.

Peyton says if they are inviting the entire organization to come, then they need to communicate and promote it effectively. She thanks **Owen** for bringing this up early instead of late in the year.

Owen says he would love to have the meeting sometime in the next two or three weeks.

Jessica explains that her work schedule is set a month in advance so it may be difficult for her to attend the special meeting. She asks what committees are bound to OPMA.

Carrie explains that the vast majority of ASUW committee meetings do not have to be OPMA compliant. She explains that the BOD is pretty much the only committee that is held to OPMA standards because the elected members of the Board can be held to FOIA requests.

Erick suggests a training for ASUW employees about state laws and what ASUW is legally held to. He explains that after the Board orientation, **Brendan** from SAO sent out helpful information on the basics of chairing a meeting. He suggests that being sent out to other, non-BOD ASUW employees, who chair meetings.

Nandana says that it is okay if not every BOD member can attend the special meeting; they just need quorum.

Grace says they held the Pregnancy Test Access Program launch party on Tuesday. She says SARVA and GEC currently have tests in their office to distribute, and OSHR and QSC will receive tests for their offices soon. She asks for the cardboard boxes of tests behind her desk to be left alone, as she will be the one to run the program until they solidify the process more. She says she will soon be adding a QR code for a feedback form. She says she is hoping to get everything up and running for the program on Monday. She adds that she'll be sending out maps for where the distribution sites will be.

Sonal asks what they should do if the table has no more tests on it, and someone comes into the office to ask for a test.

Grace explains that she is hoping to always have 14 tests on the table so she can easily track usage numbers, so if 14 tests go in a day, she will up the amount she stocks on the table.

Peyton says if there are no tests left in 121, they can also refer the person to SARVA or GEC's offices in 131.

Audriana asks if they can put out an information card that helps students understand what to do if they are pregnant.

Grace says that is a great idea.

Grace says that **Samir** and **Jenny** made an intern mixer form, and she thinks an ASUW-wide intern mixer could be fun.

Sonal says they could also encourage ASUW employees to come so these interns can inquire about different positions or opportunities within ASUW.

Owen thanks **Grace** for bringing this up and shares his full support for the idea. He says that they will need to clarify, to **Sonal's** point, that employees cannot guarantee any positions to interns at this mixer.

Peyton says they could have a band or RDR DJ to perform during the mixer.

Grace says some of the mixer ideas **Jenny** and **Samir** included in their form were a movie night, ice cream social, HUB bowling, and more.

Nandana says anyone who could not give a Board report last week can give it now.

Khushi says budget packets were due last night at 11:59 pm. She asks BOD members to check in with their liaisons and make sure they have filled out their budget packets. She says that she will have her F&B retreat this Saturday from 9-5 in HUB 303. She says that

she will be coming up with the working budget for the BOD and Exec's budget, so if they have any specific requests, let her know. She explains that they are in the peak of budget season, and if any BOD member hears a voice or need that isn't currently being met, let her know.

Valeria says that JCC is now on Mondays from 7 pm – 8 pm in HUB 303.

Jessica says that she has been meeting with UW Athletics and LiveWell recently. She adds that she has also had meetings with RCSA and UW Panhellenic to discuss the best ways to distribute supplies to them. She explains that she is serving on the First Year Transfer and Student Advisory Board, and she will be looking into what the new student deposit money is used for. She explains that she will be conducting interviews with different units to figure out how they are using those funds.

Audriana explains that the UW Transportation committee reached out, and they would like to present their increased parking rates to the Board soon. She says the health fee survey closes on February 4. She says they only need less than 1,000 undergraduate students to respond to reach the 10% goal.

Khushi announces that the Special Appropriations Fund for RSOs is open. She asks everyone to promote the fund.

Grace says that she hosted the RSO Leadership Summit in week 2, and this week she hosted the PTAP launch party. She explains that she has been meeting regularly with UW Fitted and Husky Jam to plan their festival, which is now officially named "Field Day." She explains that they are currently locking down contributing RSOs, entities, and academic departments for the Field Day event, which is on May 22. She adds that she starts on the SAF committee on Monday.

Announcements

Peyton announces that she is graduating this quarter, which she did not expect. She explains that she will be moving home in March, so a person will be hired to take over her position in Spring Quarter. She says her last BOD meeting will be on March 12. She adds that the person they hire will be shadowing her for the next couple of weeks. She says that her Assistant Director, **Pranaya**, will be more involved as well. She says she

has already started working on transition documents with the rest of the Executive Board. She adds that she is proud to have been part of this space.

Sonal congratulates **Peyton**.

Owen thanks **Peyton** for everything she has done within her position.

Adjournment

Erick motions to adjourn.

Jessica seconds.

Meeting adjourned with unanimous consent at 7:25 pm.