

Local 4929 Executive Board Meeting

When: 6 p.m. Feb 5, 2026

Where: Miller Hall 015

Facilitating: Eddie and Quin

Notetaker: Olive

Next Facilitator: Cassi

Title	Name	Attendance
President	Willow Heidt	Excused
Vice President	Olive Dillemoth	Present
Financial Secretary	Gwyn Teel	Present
Recording Secretary	Anika Erickson	Present
Sergeant at Arms	Connor Haines	Present
Guide	McLean Bowers	Present
Trustee	Eddie Church	Present
Trustee	<i>Vacant</i>	<i>Vacant</i>
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OSE Lead	Kaitlyn Minnotte	Present
OSE Lead	Grace Rodriguez	Present
Member-at-large	James Booth	Present
Member-at-large	Cassi Kiger	Present
Member-at-large	Quin Marston	Present
Member-at-large	<i>Vacant</i>	<i>Vacant</i>
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Members:	Colleen Ryan	

Excusals

Olive motioned to excuse Willow Heidt— seeking excusal due to medical emergency — and Grace Rodriguez, seeking excusal for conflicting work commitments. Connor seconded. No abstentions, no opposition.

Discussion and Approvals

Eddie— as 4929 Community Action and Partnerships (CAP) delegate — opened discussion regarding the Letter to Legislators for Higher Education Coalition, concerning protections for higher education in the final budget and advance key workforce investments. Eddie motioned to approve a vote of support towards UAW-Region 6 signing on to this letter. James, Connor,

Gwyn, Cassi, McLean, Olive, Kaitlyn, Eddie, Anika, and Quin voted in favor. No opposition. Erin Magarro abstained.

The board discussed the January 27th meeting with Dario from the Public Employee Relations Commission (PERC), and the inaccuracies within Western's list of operational student employees. With a preliminary look at Western's list, board members noticed three different inaccurate reports of employment—students who had graduated or no longer worked those jobs. The board concluded that they would bring the list to the organizing committee, have members familiar with each workplace cross-check for mistakes, and ultimately send Joelle Pulver a list of suspected inaccuracies to be corrected.

Gwyn presented the financial report, noting that HR accidentally deposited the same amount that they deposited last pay period, and they promptly fixed it. Cassi motioned to approve the financial report. Connor seconded. No opposition, no abstentions.

The board discussed the upcoming UAW Constitutional Convention, and what we would likely advocate for, including: raising the national strike fund and UAW divestment from Israel war bonds. Connor expressed interest in running to be the Constitutional Convention delegate.

James recounted the information presented that day at the Quarterly Transportation Advisory Committee meeting. WWU's transportation system which is funded entirely by the university and covers all parking-related costs—is in a \$1.15 million deficit with its \$2 million reserve nearly depleted; it was stated that the WWU transportation system would not be financially stable until 2031. Notably, in the last year the university spent \$600,000 on electric vehicles for parking enforcement. Numerous union representatives insisted that parking was unaffordable, and that parking rate increases had outpaced cost of living adjustments by 8.5%, with custodians paying the same amount as the provost, for worse parking spots. Katie Potts assured that WWU was exploring adjustments to parking applications, alternatives to new structures, broader transportation options, and equity concerns, and planned to release a campus-wide survey before April 13th to gather employee thoughts on parking and access to it. There was no discussion of WTA at this meeting, though Cassi noted that the previous meeting had focused heavily on it and that the other unions shared similar concerns. James explained that WWU's transportation office has emphasized its lack of funds and that, because 75% of revenue came from parking passes, the university would likely resist reductions to parking pass costs, especially while constructing a new parking lot.

Olive moves to adjourn at 7:14pm. Cassi seconded. No objections, no abstentions