

ASWU Minutes 10.8.14

- I. Call to order- Ian 5:01 pm
- II. Mission Statement: Jenna
- III. Minutes: Approved!
- IV. Welcome Guests: Thank you for joining us tonight! If you have something to say please say your name first and then go from there.
- V. Recognitions: 4 this week!
 - a. Eli: Aly! Did her service project this weekend at the Walk to End Alzheimer's. It's a good cause and she's on the ball getting that done! Just wanted to highlight that you're doing a great job.
 - b. Kevin: Laurel! You did an awesome job with Noah Gundersen and every major event this year. It can be a lot of work but you're doing a great job!
 - c. Ian: Ms. Skinner! Ashton has had a lot of events this past week. She's done a great job and a lot of people are recognizing her great work. We're appreciative of all you're doing!
 - d. Ian: Ashton Lupton- she's not here today but she did a great job organizing the O'Doherty's night for seniors and she placed the order for Senior cards. If you see her around congratulate her on her hard work and let her know how much we value her!
- VI. Club Updates
 - a. Psi Chi- Dan and Ellie
 - i. Dan Scheibe: We had our psych fall kickoff event, which was the best most-attended event that we've had in years. The professor hosting us had to kick people out cause it was getting so late. This Monday we will have a trivia night- all campus event with some categories for psychology. It's free and there will be prizes! In the MPR at 6pm. Later this month we will have a Halloween party hosted by a professor. Next month we will have a time where we raise money for cancer and maybe a fundraiser for our club. One of our professors is on a leave of absence because he has cancer and we want to rally around him. In the spring we will do mental health awareness week.
 - ii. Ellie: We are trying to emphasize our facebook group for current and previous psychology students. Giving students a way for students to pursue career options- psych graduates do all sorts of things

- iii. Dan: We made a connection with Career Services, trying to cross over academic futures and various events, etc.
- b. Pep Band
 - i. Ashley: We're starting off small, we've done two games and we have about 15 members. Trying to get more members but we have to stay with people involved in a current ensemble. We started out with the fight song and we should have 10 songs by the next game. We won't be able to play at the Homecoming game because it conflicts with the 125 celebration. We're borrowing a sousaphone from [high school] which is saving us a lot of money. We're working on getting uniforms and gear- the athletic department will take care of that for us. Trying to build, hopefully be playing at basketball games and continue to grow.
 - ii. Jerrica: You can only be involved if you're in an ensemble?
 - iii. Ashley: Yes for right now because that was a request by the music department but we might open it up for audition based later on.

VII. Speaker: Chris Eichorst – Director of Facility Services **(25 min)**

- a. Chris: We've reorganized a little bit. To set the foundation- the reason any of us are here is because of you guys and one of our biggest concerns is keeping you safe, especially in light of the SPU incident. You are most important. There's been investment in time and treasure to make this a safer place- not saying it isn't safe but there's always more you can do to be prepared for an emergency, especially an active shooter. We want to prepare everyone on campus as much as possible, protecting you, our assets, and carry on with everyday activities. Roll through basic things- one question is where is the nearest fire extinguisher? If we had to get out of here where would we go? [down the stairs] We're trying to spread the word on things you need to start thinking about to protect yourself and fellow students.
- b. What kind of emergencies could we have? (tree storm, natural disasters, power outage, technological, and human caused emergencies, ice storm]
- c. For you to know, we do have a plan. It's growing and getting better each time we look at it. It's located on the web: If you search Emergency Response, it'll take you there on the search window on the new website. We also have backup information, contact info, maps, plans, etc. The big thing I want you to leave here with is to know your role. We don't expect you to be heroes or to put out fires, we expect you to take care of you and your fellow students. But if you are witnessing the emergency first hand we want you to call 911.

If you're the first to call they will probably keep you on the line to describe it. If you happen to be in an office and that goes on, use the office phone if possible because they can track where its coming from and it'll be faster. The second step is to call security because they activate the Whitworth emergency response plan- it generates security, then they will respond to the incident as well. It will activate Beck, Carol Simon, Gerry Gemmill, etc. and other people who need to know. And the final thing is to follow instructions- everyone knows what the emergency text messaging is. You're all signed up for it- you have to opt out in order to not get the messages. That will be the first way you get notified of an emergency. Any first responder that shows up-comply with them because they will be looking for the bad guy.

- d.** RAVE texts and emails-
 - a.** [guest]: I've been told that the choice to opt out is only for next semester.
 - b.** Chris: No I believe IT has made that happen. You go to Whitnet, check your personal information and contact it should be in there with your cell phone number. You can also have parents sign up.
- e.** Chris: Blue light system: we're adding more speakers because some zones are louder or deader so if you're outside you'll hear it. You'll get the messages on cell phones. Building evacuation- these are posted in all the buildings, generally in the circulation area or near a fire exit. It has the building you're in and how to get out the quickest way possible, and where to go. You are in the HUB but you don't live here. You just need to be aware of where that information is, getting out of a building is one thing but there are other things like where is a good place to hide if there's an active shooter or do these doors lock. We're putting doors that lock in all the classrooms.
 - i.** Aly: Are faculty and professors signed up for RAVE as well?
 - ii.** Chris: Yes. I know that's an issue in classrooms, teachers saying turn phones to silent or off, but we're trying to change that culture a little bit because there's risk there. Through IT we're working on the bill boards in the classrooms with date and time most of the time, but in case of emergency it'll flash a message during an emergency- may be some alarm or something, to notify you and protect you. It's coming but not here yet.
- f.** Campus evacuation- if you're on foot, you just get off campus as quickly as possible. If you're driving the two main entrances/exits. We will have unlocked some gates as well-

there are some in the back 40, by the field house, etc. That's another possible scenario is an evacuation.

- g.** If you're on campus hopefully you know your RD's and RA's. Be familiar with your assembly area. In the HUB we have building monitors, know exits and fire extinguishers (for small table fires- don't stay and fight a big fire). Just being aware of all of these things would be helpful for life safety. Taking a mental note of fire pull handles, fire doors- they will close on you, but you just have to push them open. Meant to keep the fire from spreading. Also know where safe places are.
- h.** Run, hide, fight. I would say first assess before you run out into the shots or something like that. You may have to go right into hide if it's near by but you want to get away from the threat as quickly as possible. Student concern form, if there's any threats made that you know about tell security and they will pay attention. People plan ahead of time, if anything ever comes across your ears that sounds off, it's better to overreact or under react. We have a drill coming up on November 6.
 - i.** Jordan: My professor thought it was supposed to be October 6?
 - ii.** Chris: It's the 6th of November not the 6th of October.
- i.** On November 6 it will start at 1:55. The plan is to have everyone on campus participate- we will have the sheriff's department here as observers. We're not planting a shooter; it's like grade school. You guys have done something like this before and we're extending that to the university now. We need to practice and have people comfortable with what they would do. Actually makes people think about what they would do in a particular situation, having a mental plan in place. The drill will last 10-15 minutes and then resume the day like normal. We have technology that will help our situation as well.
 - i.** Aly: Do you know if students can hear the blue light system inside of their dorms?
 - ii.** Chris: Probably not. RAVE would be your primary means of notification.
Hopefully an RA or RD will get that and notify the residence hall. I will clarify- don't pull a fire alarm because then people will evacuate quickly and not know what they're going towards
 - iii.** Jordan : Will we activate blue light on November 6?
 - iv.** Chris: Yes. We've done tests to see where you can hear it or can't hear it. Behind Robinson and by the softball field for example. Besides being a drill, it will tell us what to work on.

- v. Katie: For installing locks on all the doors, how many more do we need to place?
- vi. We've put locks in Dixon, Hawthorne, Weyerhaeuser, Westminster and I think the library is next. We still have funds available. We have one locksmith trying to get into classrooms before and after classes during the year.
- vii. [guest] Will there be RAVE messages for the drill?
- viii. Chris: Yes and it will say "This is a test".
- ix. Ian: What communication have you had to let campus know that we will be having a test?
- x. Chris: That will be Nancy Hines- once we get past Sunday that campaign will start. She's been focused on 125, etc. You will all get more information as we get closer to the date.
- xi. Jerrica: Is this just an evacuation drill?
- xii. Chris: You'll have specific instructions. There will be a shelter in place- asking people not to evacuate. We're working through the people who will be outside. Typically you wouldn't take refuge in a building, just getting off campus will be best but we will be explicit with what we want people to do.
- xiii. Rigel: [question about the National incident management system, who has taken ICS 100.he courses]
- xiv. Chris: Anyone on the response team has taken the courses. Just more a familiarity. Incident command is terms and things the fire and sheriffs department will use. Common language, structuring response to an emergency. We will listen to instructions when they get here. Asking questions- what will we do about feeding students, what to do if a residence hall is destroyed, etc. There will be decisions that have to be made after an emergency but we have people identified to do that sort of task. ceichorst@whitworth.edu

VIII. Reports & Vibes (15 min)

- a. Danny: We now have the boxes you allowed us to buy! Those will be installed in the next couple weeks. T-shirts will be here soon, DJ'ing the homecoming dance
- b. Aly: Had 17 people come to our service project it was a ton of fun. On Monday Laurel and Jerrica and I went to department chairs meeting. Went over COVAC and mission alignment, someone spoke about donor retention, Carol Simon spoke about new

Lindaman chair, talked about moving Community Building Day to a Wednesday instead of a Tuesday.

- c. Bre: All Tied Up last Saturday, 99 people went.
- d. Alicen: Sage and I served 100+ root beer floats. Service project- we are in beginning stages, Warren Women Event called the shameless women retreat on November 7. Got our new speakers, didn't get the right cords though so we have to requisition for the right ones.
- e. Matt: Compost task force was formed! Led by Kylie Steele, a group of students in the research phase looking at what other schools do for composting, etc. The next step would be to get some information to present to facilities, interested in funding a student position to manage it because it's a lot of work. Students interested in divesting from fossil fuels- researching into Whitworth's investments in fossil fuels and they want to divest from that. Some of us have been talking about planting perennial flower bulbs in front of dorms- dorm colors maybe. After the winter thaws out they would come up every year. Looking into different options, matching funds with senators and my positions, prime time plantings, etc.
- f. Sage: Pass
- g. Katie: Pass
- h. Erika: Friday I'll go to academic affairs meeting. Shout out to off campus doing homecoming stuff, we had people make a poster for the HUB. Josh Adrian and Jacob played badminton, won one lost two. Excited for Condoleezza Rice tomorrow!
- i. Kelsey: Pass
- j. Josh: We will have a harvest party on October 17.
- k. Haley: We did all tied up on Friday, had a lot of people. Tomorrow at 8am I have my building and grounds subcommittee meeting.
- l. Laurel: Noah Gundersen went well, next Wednesday I have a comedian coming. I think he was on the The Tonight Show and Jimmy Kimmel live [will fact check that] or AGT. Really funny and appropriate enough.
- m. Rigel: Pass
- n. Raleigh: Pass
- o. Graham: Pass

- p. Niehls: Past weekend we had a trip, went really well. This Saturday we have a mountain biking trip to beacon hill. After that on the 18 we have a grip and climbing fair, trying to get a lot of participation.
- q. Jordan: All intramurals have started. Final tallies for teams: 3 flag football, 10 Frisbee, 22 soccer, 27 volleyball, 16 basketball, definitely a big turn out. About 1,000 people signed up. Jerseys are all sold, lowered the price on some but we got some free ones.
- r. Maryann: Pass
- s. Jenna: Pass
- t. Skylar: Pass
- u. Jerrica: Pass
- v. Elaine: Pass
- w. Samantha: Make sure you use the hashtag #whitworth125 for homecoming stuff. For Ashton- senior night there's Treats at the Taylor's on Tuesday October 14 from 7-8:30 for seniors.
- x. Ashton S: Had a lot of fun with the poets on Thursday, set a new standard for what's appropriate at a Whitworth event. Friday we will have the taco truck back, first 50 tacos are free. 11-2 by the HOLA club.
- y. Lauren: All tied up went well, just took my poll for what clothing people want and they want sweatshirts.
- z. Jacob: Sorry for the email mess up. Not November 11, October 11 for the Homecoming game. Got the OK to block off the first six rows of the front section- you have to wear your booty club shirt to sit there. Double punch Saturday. I will be going to the speakers and artists meeting. Midnight Madness update- I got the t-shirt design. I'm waiting to hear back from Dutch Bros, they come every year and I thought we should keep doing it. I don't know how to get an accurate number for how many t-shirts to buy- Cody got 1,600 last year, not sure how to gauge that now.
- aa. Jerrica: The slam poetry thing- if you enjoyed it one of our CDA's in East is doing slam poetry on Wednesdays in the beginning of prime time, 10 minutes of poetry, and then discussion.
- bb. Raleigh: Thank you all so much for all the hard work [on homecoming prep]. I know it was hard to track people down, I really appreciate all you're doing. We will continue to need more until the end of Saturday. I know we can do it, I really mean it. All of ASWU is

behind it, I've been interviewed and every time I get so much energy by saying WE have the idea, etc as ASWU. I have rice krispies, marshmallows, butter and brownies. If you want to bake I need bakers for our hippie bakery. Come see me after this. Saturday I just need you guys to bake it and then bring it on Saturday. 5pm- those of you who have emailed me, please be there by 5 pm. Setting up the HUB and lied square, dealers check with me. Be here at 8pm on Saturday for that. Tonight I need you all to do a quick lap around the HUB and tell me which banner you think is the best, creativity and representation of the dorm.

- i. Laurel: Do you want us to dress up if we're volunteering at homecoming?
- ii. Raleigh: You can wear whatever you wish, you can choose any decade. Or you can just come dressed up. Everyone including guests are allowed to vote on the posters.
- iii. Elaine: If we bake are we buying our own stuff or will we get reimbursed?
- iv. Raleigh: I have all of the mixes, etc. You might need milk- see me afterwards if you want.

IX. FVP (15 min)

a. Club Charters

Pre-Law Society:

- i. Jon Kim: This will exist as a community aimed at providing resources regarding application towards law schools, preparing for law school and choosing a law school. Usually this process is stressful and Whitworth has a kind of lack for pre law preparation. A lot of students don't have access to Julia Stronks especially until upper division classes. This would be a more direct access for students to mutually benefit from each other. I've started touching up the rationale- also a lot of the peer schools have pre law society or some counterpart, I think this will make Whitworth a little more competitive by providing comparative resources.
- ii. Josh: What resources would you provide?
- iii. Jon: It would be divided into LSAT help (a lot of people aren't self learners and prep courses are expensive) collective study sessions, study partners, application help with putting together a database about law schools, curriculum placement and application information, anything a prelaw student would want to look for.
- iv. Erika: Will you have events?

- v. Jon: We hope to have Whitworth alumni on campus, local lawyers and law professors to come and give advice, Julia is a great contact for that.
- vi. [second club member]: Also the attorney generals that I interned with has connections.
- vii. Raleigh: If I'm a freshman coming to your club for the first time, will I be able to talk about what classes to take or a law school? Will you have someone there to talk to?
- viii. Jon: Yes, the main reason I'd like to start this club is that I wish I had some more information as a freshman or sophomore now that I'm a senior going through this. Main thing- connecting upper classmen with underclassmen. I already know a lot of people at law schools right now who would be willing to get into contact with underclassmen, etc.
- ix. Lauren: how many prelaw students are there at Whitworth?
- x. Jon: On our mailing roster for this club we have over 25 people. [step out]
- xi. Motion to charter, second, club chartered!

b. Long Boarding Club

- i. Orion Keller: There's a lot of independent long boarders, and this will organize them into a group so we can learn from each other, etc. Logistics- it would resemble Frisbee club where we have practices and monthly clinics to learn tricks, then hopefully towards the end we would have a competition to display what we have learned. Also as community outreach-inviting high schooler's or people in the Spokane community to Whitworth to teach them what we've learned. This will start out small and develop as we progress. Also there's other things – specifically getting a scooter rack in the HUB. UREC already got roller blades. Longboard club- not just for long boarding. People who have heelies or scooters or any unorthodox form of transportation. I have a mountain board, etc. Just a bunch of stuff that we could explore weird modes of transportation.
- ii. Caleb: I was into long boarding and I got told off by security for doing tricks, have they gotten more lax on that?
- iii. Orion: I've never been told that I'm doing something wrong, but I get that skating is a rebellious act a little bit, but we could make it organized.
- iv. Aly: There's a resident in Akili who does roller derby.

- v. Jordan: Can you explain a mountain board?
- vi. Orion: It's like a longboard with bigger wheels that you inflate and have tread on them, feet are strapped in like a snowboard. Just cruise down mountains. [step out]
- vii. Motion to charter, second, club chartered!

X. EVP (5 min)

- a. Eli: I don't have too much to say- time cards will be due on Wednesday of next week. Matt talked about the bulbs. That's all I have.

XI. President (10 min)

- a. Survey Questions
- b. Ian: We had a group meet to form a couple survey questions to get more information on the topic of LGB faculty and the discrimination policy. This is the question we have put together, seeing if there's questions or concerns. The top half is the info we gave on the first survey question we did a few weeks ago. The question we made is "The protected identities for faculty at Whitworth include: race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability and age. Should sexual orientation be added to the list of protected identities for faculty?" and the answers vary from "strongly agree" to "strongly disagree"
- c. Jordan: The answers don't really make sense. The answers need to be changed in wording to fit the question.
- d. Ashton S: Suggestion to change it to "sexual orientation should be added..." and then keep the answers the same.
- e. Jordan: Also I think the top should be strongly agree and strongly disagree at the bottom.
- f. Danny: The email we got didn't make sense [about the other survey]
- g. Katie: I wanted to address that and apologize for not making it clear in the email. We got some push back [at the Whitworthian], we're handling it well. But it wasn't specifically said that it wasn't from ASWU so you all go that email too and that shouldn't have happened.
- h. Josh: Is there a way to make it so that they can't see the second question?
- i. Ian: So two separate pages?
- j. Josh: I guess there would still be a point in explaining your answer, but I'm not sure.
- k. Lauren: The first one is just for our interest, kind of like a straw vote to get the feel. The second one is what we would use if we were to move forward on this initiative.

- l. Josh: Looks like you're trying to identify whether someone will stand up for the cause rather than what their opinion is. Maybe just say follow up on your answer to the first question.
- m. Samantha: We can't make separate pages unless it's a longer survey with the account we have on survey monkey.
- n. Josh: I would put it out there if we want the meat to be in the first question, maybe we should put the open-ended question at first.
- o. Lauren: Actually the meat is in the second question.
- p. Eli: Differences between agreement and commitment- 1st question is agreement and the 2nd question is commitment.
- q. Jenna: I understand what you're saying, if I don't agree with the first one then I'll say no to the second one. If you agreed with the above statement would you be willing to sign it.
- r. Eli: It would be important to know
- s. Jordan: For the second question we will just pay attention to the number of yes's.
- t. Laurel: But that's the same as putting yes yes so they would still be equal.
- u. Dayna: You're talking about faculty, what about staff?
- v. Ashton: We could make the question more all encompassing.
- w. Danny: I think I remember it being faculty and staff on the original question.
- x. Matt: If we're asking them to answer one question and then only giving the opportunity to explain on the second one we could just do both.
- y. Jordan: if I see an explain your reasoning I might not be as likely to participate.
- z. Laruen: I agree
- aa. Kelsey: One comment box to explain your reasoning, not just for question 2.
- bb. Eli: To be clear this is just a step in the direction of either outcome it's just moving on with something that we've seen. There's interest here and it's an issue that we shouldn't ignore if there is interest.
- cc. Aly: Did we talk about the subject line of the email to be sent out?
- dd. Ian: We titled the survey campus discrimination policy, or say something like ASWU survey on campus issues.
- ee. Dayna: I think you should be as explicit as possible.
- ff. Haley: When is this being sent out?
- gg. Ian: Next Sunday night or Monday morning.

- hh. Eli: We will vote on this tonight
- ii. Jerrica: Subject box- try to be as direct as possible. ASWU survey. But I don't think it needs to be in the subject line. Campus discrimination policy, and then ASWU at the end.
- jj. Eli: [comment about the word "discrimination" being a turn-off for some students, exact comment not recorded]
- kk. Jordan: No because there's all types of discrimination.
- ll. Ashton: And that's the language they use.
- mm. Raleigh: Can non-voting members vote for this survey going out under ASWU's name?
- nn. Straw vote?
- oo. Josh: Could existing members vote whether or not to extend that?
- pp. Straw vote
- qq. Alma: What about the issue of transgender?
- rr. Ashton: This is in response to the Halualani survey and they didn't include that. That's a few steps down the road but we're heading in that direction.
 - i. Motion to approve the survey with the amendments, second. Survey question approved.
- ss. Ian: We will send this out and hopefully have the results to present next Wednesday.
- tt. Eli: We would also strongly urge that you put in your newsletters that a survey will be coming around so this info is properly distributed to people.

XII. FVP

- a. Kevin: [various finance committee requisitions passed]

XIII. Club Charter Committee Proposal (5 min)

- a. Kevin: We have a lot of charters. This could weed out some charters that we wouldn't have to talk about during the meetings. Club chartering committee- clubs would go there first, give longer descriptions, more questions could be asked, and like I do with the finance committee I would release a synopsis of what the club is, etc. They would just be here to represent clubs being chartered at the actual meeting and then extend the vote to you guys. Seems more efficient to me. Just for when clubs come in and want to get chartered.
- b. Aly: Will there be students at large on this?
- c. Kevin: Yes
- d. Eli: Will the clubs have time to quickly say what they're about at the meeting? [yes]

- e. Guest: Will guests know the information about the clubs ahead of time?
- f. Kevin: I can put the information on the screen.
- g. Jerrica: Can clubs charter any time during the year? There could be a deadline for the clubs to charter by, instead of all of them being in December, etc.
- h. Ian: Clubs kind of hit their niche during that time so they can revamp for the spring. Clubs coming in when necessary is probably the way to go.
- i. Josh: Would it be a possibility to have a club coordinator?
- j. Ian: We could talk more about that.
- k. Kevin: Mostly for clubs their primary thing is just access to a small fund and accessing money through me. They do events on their own, not a huge dependency. Rachel helps a lot too.
- l. Jordan: The majority of clubs we are saying yes to, I think its awesome and I want to hear about them still but I think it's a lot of time for a yes.
- m. Maryann: Are you going to be overseeing this committee?
- n. Kevin: Yes
- o. Motion to charter the committee, second, committee chartered!
- p. Ian: At some point we will add that to our bylaws.

XIV. For the good of the order.

- a. Raleigh: If you would like to bake come pick up stuff and go out into Lied Square to tell me which banner you vote for.
- b. Kevin: Shoutout to Maryann for jumping into finance committee.

XV. Adjourn: 6:28pm