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# 2020-21 ASWU Meeting Minutes | May 5, 2021

#### In Attendance:

Parker Daniels   President Hannah Higgins   Exec. Vice President Faizzan UI Haq   Financial Vice President Jorge Medina   Exec. Admin. Assistant	present present Present present
Emily Clemons   Campus Activities Coordinator Lauren Lorenz   Sports Events Coordinator John Haberlin   Sustainability Coordinator Katie Ludlam   Senior Class Coordinator Aeron Sugui   Marketing/PR Coordinator Sam Henson   Special Events Coordinator Rachel Ayres   Spiritual Life Coordinator Esther Brown   Cultural Events Coordinator Katie Rose   Club Coordinator	present present present present present present present present
Emma John   Arend Senator McClain Chandler   Baldwin-Jenkins Senator Olivia Fowler   Oliver Senator Jaedon Tesarik   McMillan Senator Meghan Duarte   Ballard Senator Jed Young   Boppell and Village Senator Adaeze Njoku   Stewart Senator Xavier Nila   Duvall Senator	present present present present present late present

Isaac Price   Warren Senator	present
David Martin   Off-Campus Senator	present
Michael Lie   Global Engagement Rep	present
Georgia Goff   Incoming Student Rep	present
Christian Aguilar   Incoming Student Rep	present
Christine Chen   Off-Campus rep	present
Jamie Copeland   Off-Campus rep	proxy
Munya Fashu-kanu   Off-Campus rep	present
Michael Bedford   Off-Campus rep	proxy
Victoria Viloudaki   WhitFlex rep	present

Meeting brought to order at 5:00 PM. Mission Statement read by Chris Clay.

## **Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Sam, Seconded by Jed In favor: 16 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining Motion passes

#### **Club Coordinator Updates**

Pep Band: Things have been quite different this year. Normally perform at games and march in downtown Spokane parade in spring but due to COVID restrictions have not been able to do many of those performances. Hoping to do more next year and have just finished selecting next year's leadership team. Looking at doing zoom event but still working on details. New contact will be Christopher Anderson <u>canderson23@my.whitworth.edu</u> and will be updating information shortly. Meetings are dependent on athletic schedule.

#### **President Updates**

Parker: John will now talk about some of the revisions he is proposing for the sustainability section of the Bylaws.

John: In our bylaws article 7 relates to sustainability regulations and it is not followed at all, so I took a look at that and created new set of regulations. As we have them written the carbon offset is supposed to be tracked and reported to me but since that is not realistic or followed, I came up with a revised

sustainability section. Basically, the carbon offset program will be funded by 2% of each account budget and we are supposed to keep track of travel for carbon offset, but these new bylaws is an attempt to start things in the right direction with a flat 2% from your budget to go to carbon offset. More information about this to be sent out.

Olivia: the two percent comes from our budget?

John: yep, and up to \$1500 of my budget will come up to match those.

Parker: passing torches will be next week so find torches for the next team members. End of year banquet is still a BBQ this next week and come by my office to pick up clothespin since it is dead week to give some encouragement. Wanted to clarify for when we move on to discussion input is valued but if someone says exactly what you are thinking we do not need to hear it again. Also, the exec team and budget committee has heard frustrations and concerns and have looked at other solutions.

#### **FVP Updates**

Capital: \$14,161 Unallocated: \$ 14,990

Faizzan: No finance committee update.

Katie R moves to approve budget proposal, Michael Lie seconds

Hannah: I am proposing a friendly amendment to the budget proposing for bus passes in which exec salaries get cut by an hour each apart from communications director which is a sum of around \$1,300, all salaries for media cut by 2 hours each so yearbook, whit FM and whitworthian to give us around \$2,685. We would be cutting \$5000 from intramurals which will most likely cut things like referees' salaries and actual intramurals as well as \$5,000 cut from outdoor rec which would come from trips and equipment repair. Proposing a \$1,000 cut from off campus budget, and \$500 from Chapel and HEAT. There is a small amount of rollover from this year and that would cover the rest that is remaining after cutting this amount of \$15,985.12. I am proposing this as a friendly amendment.

Jed: I like the changes vote yes

Christian: just to add on parker and I were talking and like Hannah said this is a band aid solution one of the things I would say would be that next year some coordinators start talking about this transportation issue. Maybe bringing back shuttles or other carpools and when doing survey, the % of students who said they were using it daily was only 12 students out of 150. A lot of students use it recreational and I think it could be fixed another way.

#### Approval of Proposed Budget with Friendly Amendment

In favor 17 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining 1 Motion passes

David: Christian just mentioned the actual usage, what's the reason we can't stipend individual students?

Hannah: STA has offered an all or nothing contract, so we have to cover the cost as if everyone were to use the bus

Olivia: In future years can admin or admissions help with cost?

Jason: that would be part of discussion for next year but right now a lot of departments are not in a great place financially but there might be some solutions for next year to share cost.

Xavier: I wanted to be clear is it more expensive to reimburse students.

Faizzan: yes, it is way more expensive per month

Michael: I've done the math and for 300 students per month it is over \$200k

John: An EAC member ran the numbers and if you wanted to do things on the side \$16k would be enough for 22 students to get monthly bus passes so as long as we have more than 22 students using it, we are way more above than that usage, so I appreciate the effort for the bus passes.

Lauren: are bus passes service most schools offer?

Hannah: It is unusual for student government to fund bus passes but yeah.

Georgia: why is this is our job?

Parker: that will be part of the discussion next year

In favor: 18 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining Motion passes

#### **EVP Updates**

Hannah: I do have meal cards today; the new senators will be doing newsletters this week and are due tomorrow at 5 pm. This would normally have things such as votes that happen and also upcoming events and other info. For end of year review for representatives Jason and I will meet with you next week so that will be sent out. Highlight this week is the tech team from Lil Springfest, Tyler, Emily, Robert and Sam Henson so be sure to give them a huge shoutout. Lawrence also gave a shout out to the light crew.

#### **Coordinator Spotlight**

Sam Henson: I'm the traditional events coordinator this year and it has been weird, so my job is a lot of pushing for big traditional events but this year events like homecoming didn't happen so this year had to keep up with the changes happing and aware of the guidelines that we had to abide by. For unplugged 2 was supposed to be outside event but did not happen because half the acts pulled out and I had plans for second chance prom, but people would have to be in their own squares and it would have been difficult. Did things like merch we had for events, but it was a weird year but did what I could.

#### Upcoming Events:

#### **Off-Campus Yard Sale:**

David: This Saturday from 12-4 off campus yard sale will be held so be sure to spread the word it is a great time to get some great deals in the A1 parking lot.

#### Warren Peace:

Isaac: also, this Saturday at 6 pm in the loop only to warren residents.

#### Senior Bingo:

Katie: on Sunday at 6 pm going to be super fun have almost 70 people signed up getting prizes now, but I will need help for the event and might have to ask seniors to help and not participate in the event.

## Worship Night:

Rachel: After bingo night stick around at 8:30 it will be modified version of unveiled will be a time to refocus on Christ.

## End of year Banquet:

Jason: we can all thank jay Inslee for putting a pause on phase movement and are allowed to have banquet BBQ at my house and hang out. Only for ASWU members.

## **Constituency Reports**

## Arend

Emma: Arend is doing well, cleanliness in kitchen is getting better but food is getting stolen but don't really know who to go to.

#### Whitflex rep

Victoria: Nothing much really happening all constituents are coming back next semester convinced them all to come back

#### Duvall

Xavier: based on survey most are doing well not much has come up. Candy for kindness has gone down a little bit hopefully spike ball next Thursday.

#### Warren

Isaac: had problem with our door but apart from that just trying to get word about warren peace out there.

# **Baldwin Jenkins**

Mac: Poppin off, wrapping up the year people getting ready for finals. Someone a few weeks had an ice cream in freezer, and someone took it ate it and filled it with water in freezer.

# **Global Engagement Rep**

Michael L: Students doing great, 8 people reached out to me about bus passes so I'm glad we figured it out.

# **Incoming Student Rep**

Georgia: As mac mentioned lots of stress around finals and like to mention a firstyear student had backpack stolen and is trying to raise money so be careful with your stuff.

Christian: busy talking to people about bus passes but it was nice to see students being involved. Thinking about transition to next year and how to make up for experiences we have missed out and have reached out incoming students who were on flex.

# **Off Campus**

David: To reiterate yard sale is going on, also will be sending out an email since I will need a little bit of help.

## Stewart

Adaeze: Not too much to report but people are stressing, and some people are a little nervous since move out signs are being posted and not sure how that will work.

# McMillan

Jaedon: doing good still spending lots of time outside, it was my resident that got backpack stolen but he raised the money for it, so it is better than it was. Ping pong table getting delivered soon.

#### Ballard

Meghan: Everyone hanging outdoors as well and end of year sneaking up on people and they enjoyed Springfest.

# Oliver

Olivia: had Oliver twist last week and lots of people came and loved it. As far as the hall itself stress is happening will put info in newsletter about trash since there has been trash everywhere and found mice in the hall.

#### Boppell

Jed: My people also enjoyed Springfest but ready to be done and on personal note before meeting my bathroom flooded and had to clean that.

#### **Campus Vibes**

Georgia: I think everyone enjoyed Cinco de mayo food from Sodexo and it is nice to enjoy something new.

Christian: reminder on importance of programming we can get set in our routine but as we are doing our last events remember that programming is important for building community.

Rachel: still working on surprise thank you video for Beck Taylor and deadline got pushed back it would be appreciated if you could submit video.

Jed: heard people that got second doses today and read an article saying herd immunity may not be possible so pls get vaccine.

Adaeze: with Duvall buttons I have heard people get stressed about it someone said that they only have \$20 in their account and to them \$8 is meaningful but I don't know if we can do anything.

Jaedon: I don't think university should be allowed to fine entire building for one person's mistake, this week I had lots of people email me about their opinions who were not my constituents, but I cannot represent them.

Aeron: with vaccines they are going on today and tomorrow so be mindful of people you know who is getting those.

Olivia: had a TLAC meeting on Monday and most of the meeting was talked about the professor and awards because they only got 2 and wanted more professors to nominate other professors. Also talked about the build your own major and the changes to that and how to figure out the best education for them.

Grant: wanted to shine some light with Duvall buttons from my understanding we pay housing deposits at the beginning of the year and that deposit covers any damages that may occur and that we technically already payed it and should come out of your account. Jason: in a few weeks is commencement and we are looking for volunteers and you can get paid but we will need people for the whole weekend.

Katie R: idk how many people follow whit confessions but recently lots of posts saying bad things about Springfest and ASWU decisions and these posts can get under my skin as someone on ASWU and if you experience that I would recommend not to pay attention to that as I know very few people who are unhappy with Springfest but ultimately, we have a good idea of what student body needs or wants.

Georgia: speak on what Katie was saying I have only heard good things about Springfest with many saying it was a highlight of the year.

#### Shout outs

Emily: shoutout to Samuel since he was working tech and ASWU and he crushed it

Christian: budget committee for being awesome and shout out to next year's people who helped at Springfest.

Sam: The past 4 years I have worked on the tech team with Tony and he has been such a huge mentor to me and how much he has struggled with how bands come in and are just not very fun to work with. Springfest was everything I have not seen him that happy at an event for years and so it was great to see. He would not stop talking about how great you all did and how much he enjoyed it so thank you.

Rachel: Thank you to all who helped out especially new members so thank you all.

Olivia: thank you to those who helped with Oliver twist.

Hannah: shoutout to this exec team as this is our last meeting

Parker: shout out to this year's team you guys have done a fantastic job so thank you.

Grant: shout out to Jason for staying late on Friday and taking out the time from his weekend.

Jason: Thank you all so much for your help with Springfest and seeing it all come together and it made me happy. Specifically grant and Emily helping out move cars Friday night and finally this year's exec team it has been fund and great.

Logan: It was an amazing event and am so happy and excited to be a part of ASWU especially after this year and shows that there is hope.

Katie Luds: shout out to those that help for senior bingo I was so stressed about it and Springfest was amazing I heard from seniors that it was def a highlight.

Adaeze: I don't think you realize how many people were stoked for this event and just the way the band was able to get the crowd involved. There was so many people dancing and I was smiling because it was awesome to see people dancing so much and having fun and it was amazing.

#### **Adjourn Meeting**

Motion by Christian, Seconded by Olivia In favor: 17 | Opposed: 1 | Abstaining Meeting adjourned: 6:10