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2024-25 ASWU Meeting Minutes October 23rd, 2024

Executive Members:

Isaac Price President	PRESENT
Bobbi Jo Crittenden Vice President	PRESENT
Michael Stavridis Financial Director	PRESENT
Salwa Mehreen Communications Director	PRESENT

Coordinators:

Chloe Crandell Campus Activities Coordinator	PRESENT
Gwen Brantner Club Coordinator	PRESENT
Sophie St. Jacques Cultural Events Coordinator	PRESENT
Sierra Pauley Senior Class Coordinator	PRESENT
Jude Ruetschle Spiritual Life Coordinator	PRESENT
Aubrey Lathrom Traditional Events Coordinator	PRESENT

Senators:

Aloisa Morales-Saldana Arend Senator	PRESENT
Abby Ruffcorn Ballard Senator	PRESENT
Kenzie Lebsack Baldwin Jenkins Senator	PRESENT
Eli Roberts Boppell Senator	PROXY
Jordan Voigt Duvall Senator	PROXY
Niraj Pandey International Student Senator	PRESENT
Michael Barnes McMillan Senator	PRESENT
Abi Prather Off-Campus Senator	PRESENT
Avery Hamilton Oliver Senator	PRESENT
Eli Harris Stewert Senator	PRESENT

Representative:

Madalyn Dotson Incoming Student Representative	PRESENT
Harmony Pakootas Incoming Student Representative	PRESENT
Ben Veith Neighborhoods Senator Representative	PRESENT
Austin Read Off Campus Representative	PRESENT
Esperanza Gui Off Campus Representative	PRESENT
Jayce Palm Off Campus Representative	ABSENT
Cheyenne Rodgers Off Campus Representative	PRESENT

Meeting brought to order at 5:03 pm

Mission statement read by BobbiJo

Approval of Minutes 10.16.2024

Motioned to approve minutes by Eli H

Seconded by Abi P

Favor: 14 | Oppose: 0 | Abstain: 0

What's up Whitworth

Jude: tonight, awake is partnering with the ISC to hold a like testimony sharing and community events so that will be at 9:15 at the ISC. I believe there's food but don't quote me on that

Niraj: Chapel is hosting the last future church dinner/panel that's right after this. So get ready to teleport.

Jude: there is food at that and you can quote me on that thank you

Sophie: we had our first Donuts and dialogue last Thursday that's with the ISC and with our interim director of the DEI and so that's been going on so hopefully I'll keep you guys all posted in terms of dates when that is we're hoping to do that monthly.

Student Highlight

BobbiJo: this week we're highlighting kenzie for all her hard work at haunted house. she started decorating setting up with us at 8:30 AM, proceeded to help us until about 2:30-ish then she did ton of people's makeup and absolutely slayed and then after that proceeded to run to into the woods to perform. So I just wanted to highlight her cause she's amazing and I love her.

Club Updates

Gwen: so first we will do I think we're missing something on the presentation but either way we'll start the presentation for pre health club.

Connor: hopefully it's what's being looked for. so yeah pre health club will have 3 events in the month of November those being on the 6th 13th and 20th the main notes I've been given is regarding the one that would be on the 13th and that's our alumni panel and that's just a panel of providers and they've already been approved apparently so yeah it should be consistent, alright the names, doctor Michelle tooley who is a CCM and anesthesiologist doctor Brian tooley who's also an anesthesiologist doctor Keith Parker at dermatologist doctor John Anderson who is a CCM and doctor Paige diagnostic radiologist in woman's health.

Gwen: yeah so basically all those people are coming for a panel so there's not much on the talking points because obviously they're being asked questions. Is there any questions? Okay, you have a week to talk to your constituency and then we vote next week .alright and then we do have a speaker vote for business club. Anu is here, do you wanna just recap their names and what they do and then if there's any questions we will ask.

Anu: Yeah. So the first one is Kathryn McInturff, she is a Real Estate Broker at eXp Realty, she'll cover all the key steps they need to know when buying first home, and important topics, like average and minimum down payments, the typical age of first-time buyers, and the advantages of owning a home versus renting. Second speaker is Gerhard H. Muelheims, he is a Senior Manager in the Tax department at Moss Adams, he will provide a brief summary of his background, including his upbringing, education, Whitworth experience, and his professional career in public accounting. He will then discuss potential career paths for students in the business school.

Gwen: I guess I misspoke. This is not a vote. This is just presentation today. Yeah. Do you have any questions? alright you also have a week, then we vote next week. I think that is all with the speakers. now we have 1 club updates yay it's exciting. Polynesian club.

Dalia: Hi guys! Im the president of the Polynesian club. Just some updates, we have a bunch of events in November... and something we are currently working on is we are trying to increase our club engagement right now, just to get more knowledge out there..

Gwen: Any questions for Dalia? Alright. That's all then.

Birthday

Aubrey Lathrom: 10/24

Financial Director Update

Michael: Hello Everybody! so as you can see count totals capital same as last week and allocated is different because on Monday Finance Committee met approved 2 requisition, first requisition was \$260.00 for UMOJA they did not submit their forms last year so we didn't assign them any money during budget committee so this is just for general any expenses like everyclub gets. second one was \$400.00 for students to cover travel expenses because she's going to a climate pledge conference somewhere I don't know where that is I don't have those specifics

Niraj: It's in Azerbaijan

Michael: It's there. do you have any questions about those? OK now last week only two people sent BobbyJo

BobbiJo: actually just kidding I got four I got some today

Michael: we got 4 emails OK that we decided that unless half the team can make it we're not gonna pursue so now we're going person by person verbally yes or no are you gonna be there on the 16th you guys have had more than two weeks figuring this out so you guys now have to give us an answer.

BobbiJo: I got emails from Chloe Aubrey and one other person I can't remember the other question and Michael gave me verbal confirmation that's all that I got confirmation from so now if you're going to the details the game is Saturday November 16th it starts at 6:05 and we will be figuring out carpools if you don't have a car. raise your hand if you wanna go to the game if you know for sure you can go to the game not just that you want to

Michael B: Including the people who confirmed?

BobbiJo: Yes.

Gwen: Is it am or pm?

BobbiJo: at 6:00 PM. OK that's more than half. Does anyone know who is not here but can go? ohh my other confirmation was Jordan so I got 5 confirmations.

Michael: so then on this then I wanna say that now if you just raise your hand please e-mail Bobby Jo so we can book

BobbiJo: actually don't e-mail me I will send out a calendar invite. I've got three people one of them the 4th person just confirmed a minute ago I'm looking at you Sophie. I sent this out two weeks ago I should have every single person responding I'm still waiting for Salwa Eli Roberts and niraj

Salwa: I sent you an e-mail

BobbiJo: Not that one. I haven't sent out the invite yet. Okay fall retreat. this is required it's we've been talking about I sent out the invite your name is here it says you have not responded I will be expecting a response by midnight tonight for those of you that have not answered. So crazy enough when someone sends a calendar invite the kind thing to do is RSVP to it. so maybe do that.

Vice President Update

BobbiJo: Okay, we're gonna start with res hall swag if you're getting stickers or sweatshirts you need start getting designs now because there's a lot more to ship and like just to get everyone to buy them and all those fun things so please be getting your designs together and then safety committee you guys have heard us talk about it a couple times. Me and Isaac are co chairing safety committee we need at least one more aswu member we'll be meeting about once a month and we already have confirmation that Sophie and Aubrey are on it anyone else? OK, one-on-one also crazy enough senators and reps are required to have one-on-one with me. if you have not scheduled a one-on-one I have sent you emails before with the times that I have available please answer them because it's not only your requirement but it's also my requirement to meet with all of you. So you should set that up. I will be expecting an e-mail by the end of the week if I don't get it I will be emailing you and newsletters senators you guys are doing great except half of you don't send in your newsletters before 7:00 PM on Thursdays which is when they're due, please send me a text, you don't even have to send me the actual thing. Just send me a text saying newsletter and ill go put my stamp on it. Thank you, That is all I have.

President Updates

Isaac: For today I just have one thing, brand engagement, we talked about it before I think BobbiJo contacted reps and senators to put it on their newsletter. Whitworth university council really wants students feedback and engagement just like we have been working with grant, their workshops happening November 4th and November 5th. I think there are three each day different times and you can stay online as well so you can participate yourselves that'd be great and pass the word to other people who can. They have giveaway like \$100.00 gift card giveaway opportunities, raffle with people who participate. Spread the word on that

Upcoming / Past Events

Aubrey: Fright night was last Friday and I think it went really well as a new event trying to test run thank you everybody who showed up to help or just showed up to party and have fun yeah bout a 100 - 120 people show up somewhere in that range cookies were great having drinks was great. People had a really good time so yeah.

Bobbijo: I think the advertisement was so fun I think it made more people come because people recognize me from the video they did and I wasn't even wearing the same costume that I wore in the video so I think it was a great way to advertise.

Isaac: I thought the rock paper scissors video was pretty cool.

Sophie: I think it was amazing, it went really well a lot of people that I know that weren't originally gonna go decided to go. It started out small but I think a lot of people like showed up and they were like ohh this is good and then like a lot of other people came too.

Michael: BMAC haunted went off very well. we had a lot of people attend, set up was a little bit hectic and crazy and everything kind of had to come together last minute but that's why I've been told it usually is in the past many volunteers from Ballard and Macmillan came and helped set up the props that wad great during the event we had no major injuries besides sore throats from all the stream that was going on. So it went pretty well I think.

Salwa: a lot of my friends went there and they really loved it and some of them that was like the first time going to bmac haunted house and they said they kind of regret not going there earlier like last year so, you did a really good job.

Aloisa: Gator crawl is on nov 1st, there is gonna be lots of donuts and pies. I already got the donuts, then drinks, there is gonna be crafts it will be in Arend. Anyone can come so please tell your constituents. Because there is gonna be a lot of food. I have a sign up sheet but im gonna send it to the RA's first.

Abby: So ballard tea is on November 8th in the Chapel from 8:00 to 10:00 PM. It will be really fun, it's a talent show traditionally and so we still need some more people to sign up for talent so we're gonna talk about it in the milk & cookies tonight but if you would like to show off your talent we would love to have you do it ,people just do funny things or jokes it does not have to be serious it's just for fun we're also gonna invite the swing dance club to come teach us how to swing dance like waltzs and stuff because there is dancing traditionally it's so fun, it's a dress up event so whatever that means to you. you can dress up nice we'll have food we'll have chocolate fountain, smores makers and stuff yeah just gonna be a good time together and have fun and I have a QR code if anyone wants to sign up to do something fun so

Jude: for context a year ago my friend and I played the Home Depot song and hit things with hammers so anything is a talent

Abby: Jude you wanna run it back and do that again? I got a QR code for you.

Jude: I need to check in with my friend.

Eli h: hello, Yeah, Stewart's event is a Mario Cart tournament taking place on November 9th from 8:00 to 10:00 just in the 1st floor lounge. All skill levels are welcome so like the show up. if you get top three you have the chance to win a gift card of 5025 and \$10 and then afterwards I have Jack box so we'll probably play that as well

hello, tha ris me, stw, mario cart tournament, justfrst, all skills level, top three, u have the chance for \$50, \$25, \$10. Afterwards, I have jackbox so we will probably play that as well.

Aubrey: OK it's winter carnival time. This is pretty much all hands on deck I need all the help I can get. I did send out

BobbiJo: wait, that being said, reps please don't sign up if you don't have the hours for it if you have two hours within the two weeks of that pay period, You can't sign up but if you're working another event, you cannot sign up. go ahead.

Aubrey: I did send the sign up sheet on teams so it's on there it's having an issue with editing so it's not working with editing just shoot me an e-mail or what you wanted to sign up for, I need people to help out early like set up clean up crew and a whole bunch of slots in there as well the date times up there you should be able to see that. Yeah.

Jude: I couldn't open the link

Aubrey: Try the second link.

Constituency Reports

Arend

Aloisa: Arend is having a week, it can be both good and bad as residents are ready for the fall break. However, even with Fall break being so soon, they have so much to get done. Arend residents say they are so busy with schoolwork and personal things that they don't know if they will have a break. Fall break brings Arend residents mixed feelings.

Ballard	
Abby:	

Boppell

Eli Roberts:

Duvall

Jordan: Duvall has been very active this past week. All last week, prime times were catered to help decorate for pod parties which we had this Monday. They went great! Residents had a lot of fun and it was awesome getting to see all the pods decorated. It was good to relieve a lot of the midterm stress. Residents seems very excited for fall break and to either go home or relax with no responsibility!

International Students

Niraj: International students are doing well. The ISC has been bustling as we push through midterms and papers, as we desperately wait for fall break. Recently, the CDAs organized a rowdy FIFA tournament that added some fun to the stress. Now, with less than a month until I-Fest, keep an eye out for upcoming announcements and promotions. All in all, things are going good!

McMillan

Michael Barnes: McMillan Residence Hall has had a busy week as we have successfully completed our traditional event of BMAC haunted house. Set up took many hours so it was helpful to have volunteers willing to spend their Friday night and Saturday setting up tarps and PVC pipes. Stress was high for everyone participating but once the haunted house got started it went off very smoothly. There was a steady amount of people who showed up and I got feedback that the house itself was very spooky. Some residents unfortunately were displeased that they had to sacrifice access to their room for that night but we were able to ease tensions and make everyone happy.

Off-Campus Students

Abi: Off campus is fine. It is getting colder so be careful on the roads in the morning and make sure to let your car warm up before you drive! We're almost all done with midterms and so ready for fall break! Our next event is coming up, November 23rd-Off Campus movie night!

Stew-Ville

Eli: The residents of Stewart and The Village have spent the week hiding away. We have been furiously studying for midterms this week, staying up late with our noses in notebooks and textbooks and computer screens displaying notes and quizlets brightening up our rooms. We are awaiting the arrival of Fall Break and the four days of blessed relaxation that it will bring.

Baldwin Jenkins

Kenzie: Bj lately has been in a full swing knowing that fall break is upon us. We have been filling our tables with puzzles residents have been solving and it is amazing! Bj has also a skeleton guest who's been hanging around Bj a lot! We all call him Jon Bone Jove!

Oliver

Avery: This week in Oliver has been good! The fall weather has been really nice and the res hall is finally nice and cool. All students are working hard on midterms and studying all hours of the night and definitely looking forward to fall break! Parking continues to be a big concern, especially as the weather cools down and it gets dark earlier.

Incoming Students

Madalyn: The incoming class is doing well. Many students finished midterms this week and are still recovering. First years enjoyed campus events and prime times this week. Since class lists came out this week, many students are excited and planning for Jan term and Spring semester. This, however, has led to some concerns about the price of Jan term trips and other extracurricular trips. However, overall students are feeling hopeful for next semester and are excited for Fall break, as many students are visiting family back home.

Neighborhoods

Ben: Neighborhood residents are doing well. Some of the excitement for fall is dying down as the temperature plunges. Midterms have been difficult, but Neighborhood residents are feeling supported by each other. Many are very glad that Fall Break is coming soon for a well-deserved time of rest. This past Monday there was a Fall Festival event with snacks and cozy vibes and on Tuesday there was a Chill and Thrill event with refreshments and spooky entertainment.

Shoutouts:

Aubrey: I fixed the link and it's on teams and ready to go. it's working so please sign up when you have the chance just a heads up to only sign up for purple or green column. Others will be handled by UREC as of right now

Todd: shout out to all the wonderful students at whitworth university who took part in into the woods as well as to our very own aswu activities student programs, colleagues that were in this. it was absolutely amazing.

Motioned to adjourn meeting by Eli h

 $Seconded\ by\ Abi\ p$

Favor: 14 | Oppose: 0 | Abstain: 0

Meeting adjourned at 5:34 pm