

ASWU Minutes 3.18.15

- I. Call to order: Ian 5:00pm
- II. Mission Statement: Jacob
- III. Minutes: Approved!
- IV. Welcome Guests
- V. Club Updates (**6 min**)
 - a. International Club
 - b. Alma: 5 new international students starting in the spring, had spring orientation with them, they love it here so far! We'll be rafting in May, will be a part of Springfest, Cooking Around the World in April, had an SFER/ICLUB/HOLA/Theme House collaboration. Lulu Gonzales is our advisor.
 - c. Jacob: Are you looking to fill empty officer positions?
 - d. Alma: Not for this year but elections for next year will be coming up in April. Usually just people if they are interested send an email to us and we're thinking about extending it larger. People need to get elected through survey monkey vote.
 - e. Jerrica: How many international students are there on campus?
 - f. Alma: Total I want to say 46. Includes semester and 4-year students but it depends on who and when you ask.
 - g. Pirate Pride**
 - h. Jessica: {names officers} So far we've done a couple activities- Fall we did the Coming Out exposé, upcoming we have some day of silence events, trying to put something together for Harvey Milk day. Also have Pride Week in conjunction with day of silence. Looking to start strong in the fall, getting things rolling for various days.
 - i. Ian: How many people do you have coming to meetings?
 - j. Jessica: Anywhere from 15-20 but it varies.
 - k. Jenna: Do you have staff and faculty come to meetings?
 - l. Jessica: Sometimes, it's held at 9:30pm so that's pretty late but some do. Some are also involved but not necessarily at the meetings.
- VI. Resolution Vote (15 min)
 - a. Eli: We are 95% confident that the true proportion of the on campus community that agrees with the policy change is somewhere between 66 and 79 percent. Using a

5% significance level we can show the question asked is independent of the dorm community you lived in. Didn't matter where you lived, you would answer the same regardless of your community. If you were to do a full consensus, it would be between 66 and 79%. We could have done it for a lot of different things but that one was easier.

b. Roll Call

- c. Arend Senator- Jenna: Yes, over 70% of dorm agreed.
- d. Arend-Boppell Rep: Marianne: Yes, I don't see this as a theological statement but rather a statement that we can all agree on. It's about inclusion and harassment.
- e. Ballard Senator: Haley: Yes, 70% said yes.
- f. BJ Senator: Breanna: Yes because supermajority of dorm said yes and other reasons stated.
- g. BJ/StewVille Rep: Joshua: Yes, because I cannot see how this is in disagreement with what Whitworth currently stands for. In speculation, my yes is not in agreement with any further speculative policy to make a theological statement.
- h. Boppell Senator: Lauren: Yes, my job is to represent my dorm, had super majority there, and personal reasons.
- i. Duvall Senator: Skyler: Yes because of results of 17% vote.
- j. Duvall/East Rep: Elaine: Yes, I represent East and Duvall and they have a majority vote of yes.
- k. East Senator: Jerrica: Yes, my constituency voted in both random and online as a 66.66 majority.
- l. Mac Senator: Benjamin: Yes, McMillan majority calls for change.
- m. Off-Campus Senator: Erika: Yes, the Off-Campus community encompasses a diverse body of students. The opinions on the issue of class inclusion from discrimination range greatly, but as evidenced from the recent survey, the Off-Campus community supports the addition of sexual orientation to the list of protected classes from discrimination and harassment. Some of my constituents have expressed that a gay professor would be a beneficial mentor- but this can only be possible if that professor is allowed to be fully him or herself, unafraid of potential backlash, harassment, or employment ramifications. For all these reasons, the Off-Campus community votes yes to passing the resolution.

- n. Off-Campus Rep: Graham: Yes, supermajority.
- o. StewVille Senator: Jessica: Abstain because of conversations within my dorm.
- p. Warren Senator: Alicen: No. I want to represent the voices of those who don't support this. Would like to see a vote of what faculty wants.
- q. Warren Rep: Saige: Yes, I'm against harassment of all types and dorm community voted mostly for it.
- r. **Resolution passes: 13-1-1.**
- s. Ian: Thank you guys for putting in all the work this year. Next steps- to provide this document for Beck and the cabinet, which will happen in the next two days. We will be invited to the board of trustees when they are in campus in April.
- t. Jordan: Who will that be?
- u. Ian: The three execs
- v. Jerrica: Will reasons why or why not be included in the presentation?
- w. Ian: We can take the minutes, but we will also go through stats and conversations we have had all year long. Will present a little bit of everything.
- x. Joshua: I really grappled with this. I've had a lot of conversations and been open, at the end of the day Whitworth doesn't have a marriage statement- this is a disagreement as far as theological statement, as far as this policy specifically I would be in support of that.
- y. Dayna: You guys have done a fantastic job handling this. We've been doing interviews asking about a time when you had to deal with conflict- use this! You had town halls, lots of conversation, a great example of what you'll have to do the rest of your lives.
- z. Lauren: When was the last time a resolution was passed?
- aa. Dayna: 2010.
- bb. Chase: What are the next steps communicating to students?
- cc. Samantha: It will be easily posted on facebook, we will go through a more serious process after Spring Break.
- dd. Ian: In past resolutions they're available on our website, and we will probably send a pdf over email.
- ee. Dayna: These guys will give this to the cabinet so it can be on the agenda for the board. They'll have it before April. Because of the weight of a resolution, it will

probably go on a board of trustees' agenda. I don't know if there will be conversation about it in April but they will take it very seriously.

- ff. Graham: I think it's important to say that the resolution just passed in ASWU but doesn't denote change yet.

VII. FVP (15 min)

- a. Updates
- b. Kevin: Finance committee, \$100 to Elizabeth Porter for Step 7. Tonight we have a club- club chartering committee recommended to pass: Spokane Dreamers Project.
- c. Club Charter: Spokane Dreamers Project
- d. Tais and Moses:
- e. Moses: Half research, half solutions. Looking at Spokane school district to see what resources they have for undocumented students. Based on those resources, then we're hoping by May to have initial policy proposals or resources. Talking about students who don't have valid immigration status. It's difficult- about 50% don't graduate high school and 1% make it to college. As part of the 1%, we're hoping that we can relay those lived experiences to educators so they feel better equipped to advise those students. Hoping to go long-term. Just had first interview at a school and they were really excited about it.
- f. Step Out
- g. Kevin: Dayna checked with the cabinet and there's nothing conflicting to passing this club.
- h. Jacob: Was there an air of doubt that it would cause conflict?
- i. Kevin: Sometimes when clubs are issue specific it can raise questions but they didn't have a problem with it.
- j. Lauren: Motion to charter the club
- k. Second
- l. All in favor, **club chartered!**
- m. Requisition: ASWU Speakers
- n. Kevin: Requisition for bringing David Gushee and Julie Rogers in, total is \$1,796 minus \$200 pulled from budget, comes to \$1,596. President's office paid honorariums for them to come in and we would pay for their other expenses.
- o. Katie: What is the other option?

- p. Kevin: We have done this- the other option would be to go around and beg for other money. Just see where we can get it from who, etc.
- q. Ian: This usually happens once a year for different things.
- r. Kevin: This year Ashton's budget has to be subsidized because of Fred Meyer Night.
- s. Eli: I remember agreeing that we would take on some financial burden for this, so there was at least a verbal saying. We give Niehls crap about showing up sometimes like the trailer with things that they needed. But we agreed to put ourselves in a pinch with this too.
- t. Danny: I know it's possible- other departments around campus could find it valuable to support this. At the end of the year departments have cash leftover.
- u. Ian: They don't though- they're usually begging for money.
- v. Jerrica: Can we ask about the \$50 breakfast and \$350 dinner?
- w. Ian: The dinner was for over 20 people, not just them. The dinners were for students to sit down and eat with them.
- x. Joshua: What was the breakfast?
- y. Kevin: That was with faculty and staff.
- z. Jacob: My question- I hear the idea of trying to go a different route to get money. Can we do this on ASWU credit? Take \$1,596, use it, and find some way to refund it back?
- aa. Samantha: If departments had money people wouldn't be coming to us for conference money. Unless people have extra money in their budgets, no department would fund this.
- bb. Ashton L: ASWU sponsored this event so...
- cc. Kevin: I know how much everyone has in their accounts. I know no one is in the red. At the end of the year it'll go into unallocated if it's not spent.
- dd. Benjamin: Motion to pass for full amount, \$1,596.
- ee. All in favor, none opposed, **requisition passed.**
- ff. Ian: Over 250 people attended these events, especially Julie Rogers. Speaks to the wide breadth of people we reached. Also some accounts always go in the red but some don't all get spent.

VIII. Reports & Vibes (15 min)

- a. Ali: Pass

- b. Benjamin: Frisbee orders going in tomorrow, 78 people signed up. I looked into getting alumni but it wasn't possible. If any of you want one last minute, ask me. Also the crocus started blooming.
- c. Kelsey: Pass
- d. Matt: Been working with Ben Lowe's organization, they have a student fellowship program. Trying to find funding on campus for a position through them, didn't work out, but they said maybe at the end of their hiring if they have extra money they will hire someone from our university. Nice workday at the food forest last weekend, will plant trees the weekend of April 4. Probably will be working with BJ in their service project.
- e. Bre: Pass
- f. Laurel: If you have opinion about Springfest performer, email me with your recommendation.
- g. Raleigh: Pass
- h. Haley: Pas
- i. Alicen: Excited that Warren Peace was booked, then found out Jubilation was on the same day at same time. Thinking of April 10 in the loop, talking to Sodexo to see if they can do dinner outside.
- j. Graham: Bowling night last week was really fun! Just got back from club Frisbee tournament, got 3rd overall.
- k. Danny: Raleigh and I have been talking about pirate idol and dub club, might move the date if something happens- April 2 at 7:00 right now. We want people to know! 7-12. Dance will start around 9:30 in Lied Square.
- l. Ian: What's the discrepancy about the date?
- m. Raleigh: waiting to hear back from performers. I will only feel comfortable if I can get above 6 to come.
- n. Danny: Worked to make sure our signal was coming in strong, coffee shop is great but complications in dining hall.
- o. Niehls: Gearing up for spring break, grocery shopping tomorrow. Will put miles on the new trailer.
- p. Elaine: Pass
- q. Saige: Pass

- r. Erika: Seeing a lot more people riding bikes and walking to school. Might put blurb about being careful when walking now. I have my own radio show on Whitworth.fm, Feminist Sweepstakes.
- s. Joshua: I know one set of people not performing for sure at pirate idol.
- t. Marianne: Pass
- u. Jenna: Green with Envy was awesome! I had doubts but it turned out great.
- v. Jerrica: We got a new blu-ray player for East! I hope it works. I'm really proud of it!
- w. Skyler: We had a resident in Duvall have to leave because he got re-diagnosed with cancer. Having a nice prime time for him tomorrow.
- x. Jessica: Pass
- y. Jordan: Bubble ball has been really fun- only minor injuries have been sustained- not more than what you'd see in a regular soccer game. Toying with the idea of a penalty box for people who take it too far. Frisbee and tennis signups will end at the end of spring break. There's a tree outside of Duvall that looks like its about to fall over, it's going to directly hit my room if it does. Is there someone you talk to?
- z. Samantha: If you guys have events for April that aren't on the calendar let me know.
- aa. Ashton L: Target night after spring break, March 30. First 100 people, if you spend 20 you get 5 off, other deals, etc. Starbucks and snack samples. Senators- I sat the posters at the info desk, pick up posters for your dorm. April 2- 8pm at MaClain's, kickoff for senior giving campaign. Free pizza for seniors.
- bb. Samantha: Are you changing Pirate Idol now or are you changing it?
- cc. Raleigh: I'd like to do it as soon as possible.
- dd. Ian: Do you think people will leave on that 3-day weekend?
- ee. Raleigh: We hope people would be coming back.
- ff. Ashton L: Also STCU coffee event went well.
- gg. Lauren: Boppell coffee house will probably be more outdoor smoothie house. Graham and I went to COVAC, talked about Core 150 and critiques, passed courses and new majors- mostly a grad program with slight changes, similar to other ones.
- hh. Chase: When is Boppell smoothie house?
- ii. Lauren: probably 23rd or 24th.
- jj. Katie: Our issue came out today, the last one for almost a month. Also our website is down right now. Hopefully it'll get back up in time for elections.

- kk. Kelsey: the papers are really good this week!
- ll. Jacob: Executive decision- pulling the plug on the softball tournament. Couldn't get a hold of Coach Ramsay. Going to do an impromptu kickball tournament. Working with Danny on a spike-ball tournament for Springfest.
- mm. Laurel: I might have extra money.
- nn. Jacob: Also I'm in charge of food. We will get a taco truck for Springfest. Food committee- looking into bring in variety.
- oo. Kevin: Pass

IX. **EVP (5 min)**

- a. Eli: Newsletters need to be for the week we get back. Raleigh when will you know about pirate idol?
- b. Raleigh: I've only heard back from 2.
- c. Eli: Put primaries, debates on Thursday, remember to vote. Important for everyone- timecards for this period, you do half. Not the full thing. Senators- if you haven't been thinking about your service project, you should be. That's this semester. From SEC- we need 2 more members. Who else would like to join? (Marianne and Bre.)
- d. Eli: We will do paper ballots, in 3 different locations to make sure we hit the off campus community. Weyerhauser, Robinson, HUB.
- e. Ashton L: Why did you do that?
- f. Eli: We get a substantially higher turnout with paper ballots. We got 70% or above when we did paper, then we dropped under 40% when we did online.
- g. Erika: How will you make sure people don't vote twice?
- h. Eli: We will still have laptops, there will be a Google docs and then we will highlight names who voted. They'll have to say their names and ID numbers.
- i. Ian: I think they should show their ID's.
- j. Eli: I don't want someone not to vote if they forgot their ID.
- k. Jacob: They might have their driver's license.
- l. Eli: We're working through it. Senators- prime times, you'll have to be there on days of elections and to lead the prime times.
- m. Lauren: Are you coming to Boppell?
- n. Eli: I'll talk to you after.

- o. Eli: Senators you need to put how you voted for the resolution in your newsletters. SEC Decided the large posters can stay up for execs. Meeting for campaign rules tonight at 9.
 - p. Jerrica: Can you email us the days we have to be on prime time. For elections you just have to be sitting in the voting box.
 - q. Chase: Off campus people- I know some liked being able to go online and not have to come to campus.
 - r. Eli: That's why we have them in spots with high traffic.
 - s. Lauren: Can you tell us what the races are looking like?
 - t. Eli: For execs it's like 2 each.
 - u. Election Update
 - v. Announcements
- X. **President (2 min)**
- a. Announcements
 - b. Ian: April is the busiest month for student programming across the board. Check the calendars when planning events. It'll fly by quick, we need to stay diligent on Springfest work. I talked to Ken Brown about the login change. I went in yesterday and 12 people were in line at the helpdesk. They're having problems with Macs. You need to change emails all at the same time. If you try with the wrong one you'll get locked out. They had no idea it would be this big of a nightmare for students.
 - c. Erika: I've heard- in theory having one synced up email is great but the timing was really bad.
 - d. Ian: They had to weigh it because they didn't want to deal with it when they're home over spring break.
 - e. Laurel: People who have graduated aren't able to access it anymore even though they were promised it 4 years.
 - f. Graham: A lot of angry alumni.
 - g. Recognitions
 - h. Ian: Jenna and Marianne! We heard great things about the dance and saw pictures! Good job!
 - i. Ian: Eli and Skyler! This is for you guys organizing all the work we conducted in ASWU working with Martha Gady and helping senators get organized.

- XI. For the good of the order
- a. Alicen: Tryouts on 2 and 3 of April for Warren Peace.
 - b. Raleigh: Gala is the 18 from 8-12, Saturday. It will be Gala Carnival, masks required.
Thinking of doing a canned food drive. I need your help. If you have questions come talk to me.
 - c. Ashton L: Senators don't forget to
 - d. Joshual Shout out to Jordan, the bubble balls are so fun!
 - e. Bre: My residents love them.
 - f. Eli: Size restriction?
 - g. Max height of 6'6" and need to be able to fit inside.
 - h. Katie: To Matt for the Kipos corner, those couches are nice!
 - i. Saige: Frisbees are so cool, my friend living in Warren is buying one.
 - j. Faith: Cool Whip at 9:30!
- XII. Adjourn 6:10pm