



ASWU

Minutes 3.9.11

- I. Call to Order 5.00pm.
- II. Mission Statement-Lindsay Pund.
- III. Fun activity: Would you rather?
- IV. Motion to approve minutes of 3.2.11, Brian; Andrea 2nd. Passed.
- V. Introduce Guests: Bryce McCandless, proxy for Sam; Morgan Feddes; Sara, Andy, Andrew G, Jonny, Michael, Andy, Courtney Hutchins.
- VI. Club Presentations- Lindy Tep
 - a. Club LIFE: Courtney H-Putting on a triathlon in April.
 - b. Westminster Round: Sara-taking t-shirt orders; Bad poetry night; Planning board games and Applebys night; book sale in Lied square today.
- VII. EVP- Shannon Eshoff
 - a. Announcements: Interviewing for coordinator positions, media is next week; Election applications at due the 18th.
- VIII. FVP- Lindy Tep
 - a. Financial matters: Unallocated \$29,000 remaining; will be updated soon; Capital at \$5,000.
- IX. President- Josh Boyden
 - a. Email: What is the best policy that go out apart from the daily digest; Its confusing because emails are still going out; Jeff-coordinators and clubs are still putting out emails, announcement box in the daily digest?, things to sign up for because they are ongoing and not just one day; Lindsay- someone said it was difficult to read, but if it were in a calendar form, it might be easier to read in general, include days into the email, not just dates; Mary- there is a lot of information, can we make it visually marketable? it takes more work to read it; make the headlines more noticeable; Trista-connecting the links of the titles to the master calendar where more details would be, alternating colors so you can separate the names of the events; Bryce- showcase what is most important to notice for that day?; Becca- it gets messy when we try to decide what event is most important for the day, everyone thinks theirs is the most important; Kyle- we spend a lot of time and effort in modifying the daily digest, when using subject lines is what works; Josh- how do you think the people want? Kyle- can there be an email that asks whether or not people are reading the digest?; Mandy- if people are just deleting emails, then they won't know when sign-ups are coming; Patrick Y- the marketing person can pick what is in the showcase section; Brittany- there are so many other departments are doing the mass email thing and we are taking the hit for it; Morgan-damned if you do, damned if you don't issue again, the benefits of the subject lines versus a daily digest outweigh the costs; Mary- the survey is good, but there is an inherent bias in the survey, the temperature survey was less biased and people were in favor of the old email system; Becca- we're competing with other departments to

condense; Trista- can we do an evaluation on who has the power to send out all-campus emails and see who we are competing against and see if we can reduce all of it into a manageable way?; Kyle- how do you know what students want? Students might not see the cool ideas and events that are coming out if they don't see something that appeals to them; Donovan- what were the numbers and attendance in those events that occurred during the trial run of the digest?; Pierre- slightly below; Brittany- pretty consistent, but people who passed by had no idea that it was going on; Peter- more people came, but we had other factors that contributed to that; Morgan- putting everything into the email forces people to be more creative on their advertising; Becca- a lot of people said that email was the best way to relay information to them; Kyle- why get creative when emails are the best way to advertise; Trista- wanted to have a link put out in the email but that didn't work with the digest; Josh- "we need to do what the students want, so take a straw vote and think about what the constituents need the most in order to find out about events."

- b. Move back to the old system? Yes, majority passed. Send all emails to Dayna now. We can give it another try with the formatting changes; should be implemented next year instead of in the middle of the semester. Patrick Y- If we did the digest and did subject line reminders on the day of specific events as needed?
- c. Eric – FSOP changes
 1. Proposition 1: Should we cap the spending limit at \$5,000+tax before we have to go to an all-campus vote? Becca- Should we add in the "plus tax" because people forget to factor in tax?; Eric- can we have a written vote when we vote on this? Should we raise this to be over \$5,000?; Patrick S- raising it is ridiculous; Becca- if we ask students if ASWU should be allowed to spend more money, they might say no; Morgan- in the past few years we've be privileged to have a lot of unallocated money to spend;
 - i. Christine- Motion to vote on proposition 1 to add "plus tax" with \$5,000 being the buying power (pre-tax) of ASWU; Brian, 2nd. Passed.
 - Peter D.- off campus: No
 - Eric- Mac: Yes
 - Mandy- Boppell: Yes
 - Becca- Duvall: Yes
 - Sarah- East: Yes
 - Patrick S- Warren: No
 - Gabby- Warren: Yes
 - Patrick Y- Off-campus: Yes
 - Meghan- Ballard: Yes
 - Bryce McCandless- proxy for Sam C. Stewville: Yes
 - Brian W.- Arend: Yes
 - Christine D.- Theme House Rep: Yes
 - Lindsay- BJ/Arend/Cornerstone: Yes
 - Mary- Duvall Rep: Yes
 - Andrea- BJ: Yes
 2. Proposition 2: Simple Majority vs. Set Majority- Change FSOP from a simple majority vote to a set majority after expenditure reaches above \$10,000; Andy: we should stick to a simple majority for amounts over \$5,000; Donovan: we need to decide what is fair in what a majority is, a big portion of this body was

elected to make these decisions; Mary: we need to set a value so that this discussion doesn't go on forever because it's an ideological difference in how our jobs are to be done; Eric: this is when students are voting on an expenditure, not on how the Assembly will conduct itself; Kyle: loopholes are taken and people will break up requisitions in order to get them passed because going to an all campus vote is too difficult to get an agreement on; Patrick Y: requisitions between \$5,000 and \$10,000 going to a simple majority vote makes sense, once we get over the \$10,000 limit, having a lot of students agreeing to use the majority of the ASWU budget for the year makes a lot more sense to have a set majority because it is a big-ticket item and will wipe out the majority of the budget; Morgan: breaking up requisitions-if you have to break it up just to get it passed, then you should re-think the requisition; Andrew G: \$5,000 is a lot of money, but students don't know that some of the major events on campus cost more than that, students would want a set-majority; Donovan: has a hard time picturing students taking interest in the actual numbers of how much events cost and they don't care, people will vote based on what directly affects them and not if they don't see it affecting them directly; Kyle- students don't know our budget size, it's our job to inform them; Becca: it's important to let students know if it will take up a large part of our budget, make the information available to them to see all requisitions in comparison to the total budget; Eric: this doesn't deal with program and coordinator budgets, its' for expenditures that come through the assembly; Meghan: responsibility of the students and whether we trust them enough to vote on the larger items, they might work harder to find the information they need if the expectations are set higher, but they trust us, so we should trust and support them to help them make the best decision; Lindy- It will be easier to budget our money because enrollment will be capped and allocation of money will be more towards programs, I would say go for the set majority because we won't have huge fluctuations in money amounts;

- i. Eric-Motion to vote on putting a set majority on expenditures over 10,000 and the set majority will be 60%; Brian, 2nd. Passed.
 - Patrick S-Warren: Abstain
 - Christine- Theme house: No
 - Brian- Arend: Yes
 - Mary-Duvall Rep: Yes
 - Sarah W-East: Yes
 - Andrea-BJ: yes
 - Lindsay- Arend/BJ/Cornerstone: Yes
 - Bryce McCandless- Stewville: Yes
 - Patrick Y-Off-campus: Yes
 - Mandy-Boppell: Yes
 - Peter D.- Off Campus: Yes
 - Gabby Perez- Warren: Yes
 - Eric-Mac: Yes
 - Becca-Duvall: Yes
 - Meghan-Ballard: Yes

X. Coordinator reports

- Brian: Green with Envy dance is coming up, is saga express gone now?
- Elizabeth: Class of 2011 is to contribute to the Dan Burtness Memorial fund; fundraising is starting; order cap and gowns online.
- Pierre: Comedian tonight at 8; vibe: the Whitworthian has taken a negative approach to how ASWU handles money and we don't appreciate the manner in which it's handled.
- Bryce: Basketball 2.30 in RTT, snacks on Friday, if we win, we'll play Saturday at 4.00; vibe: the intramurals and athletics are competing so that athletics doesn't have the power to kick students and intramurals off Omache.
- Patrick S: Warren got their new TV, pool table is being re-done today.
- Kyle: Weather sucks for intramurals; students who live on campus wonder why they can't get cable?
- Landon: Vibe: everyone is excited about the new pool and ping pong tables in Boppell.
- Mandy: Boppell has mixed feelings: good for the new stuff, bad for the themed 2nd hall next year, meeting tonight to discuss; coffeehouse is coming up and they will be collecting money for the Guild school.
- Eric: vibe: Getting on the current students page to see accounts in Saga and potentially add more money to your account, use our flex money off campus?
- Trista: 74 people came to the Wii bowling tournament.
- Gabby: Tomorrow is the Bachelor/Bachelorette auction, 40 people signed up.
- Meghan: Ballard might screen print on clothing they already own.
- Brittany: Next Wednesday is the last unplugged; response to the Whitworthian: bothersome, but we need to be more transparent, don't like Whittileaks because it makes us sound like we're hiding something, it's not all on Jerod, but we need to talk about our media image during a GE 330.
- Donovan: Nothing on retreat front, Women of Wisdom is coming up.
- Sarah: People miss saga express and people want stickers on their cards so they get discounts at area businesses.
- Jeff: Spring break will be great.
- Mary: There are a lot of cigarette butts around campus.
- Andrea: BJ is excited about the ping pong table.
- Lindsay: Transportation questions to students, is it possible to see if we can make it easier for people on campus to get off campus and it will help break the pine cone curtain.
- Michaela: Picked the winners of the senior photo contest.
- Jerod: The Whitworthian has a large space that is dedicated to letters to the editor.
- Meredith: I think the snowman on the window is to blame for the bad weather.
- Morgan: vibe: Michaela has some news on awards they won for last year's yearbook, 17 various awards.

XI. For the good of the order

- Patrick Y: Information on the Dan Burtness Scholarship: the return on the investment is what is the scholarship to students.

XII. Motion to adjourn, Christine; Lindsay, 2nd. Passed.

XIII. Adjourn at 6.20pm.

Submitted by,

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