

- Call to Order 5:00pm
- Mission Statement: Patrick Yoho: “We, the Associated Students of Whitworth University, strive for transparent, adaptable, efficient and student-focused leadership as we foster community involvement.”
- Approve Minutes: Brittany – motion to approve; Evan seconds
- Introduce Guests
 - Caleb Hochstatter – proxy for East/Duvall Rep (David Hochstatter)
 - Brandon is now officially on his own!
- President
 - Elections
 - We need to pass Elections timeline for Spring
 - Leadership fair s around the corner so we need the information out
 - Stewart – has it always been right after Spring Break
 - Yes, it’s basically the same as last year
 - Nate – motion to pass; Brittany – second
 - Passed unanimously
 - Upcoming Constituency Report – February 1
 - Suggestions for possible questions
 - Dayna – it has been called Temperature Taking Survey (follow-up mid-year to October Report)
 - Brittany – when does the tuition raise report come out?
 - Dayna – meeting was today
 - Brittany – before February? That might be on their minds
 - Stewart – anything about HUB expansion and Rec Center?
 - Dayna – we can give updates; have you seen the pictures of the Expansion? Should we put them up? Explanation?
 - General “yes”
 - Yoho – take a picture from above? (Dayna – we’ll discuss later)
 - Brittany – maybe a question like “with so many administrative changes, what is something you hope stays the same? What’s something you hope changes/gets a new focus?”
 - Eric – anything else? We have questions we can always go back to (how people are informed, program)
 - Stewart – will the new Student Life director be chosen by then? Something about that
 - Dayna – yeah, we can inform them of that
 - Eric – do we want to go with basic format of “how have programs been?” or more specific like “what have you liked?”

What do you want to see more of?” or information on how we’ve addressed most important issues (per last Report)

- Landon – improvements throughout the years (compare programs over time)
- Dayna – what do you want more student input on? (ex. Honors Program); major decisions (Dean of Arts and Sciences, Provost)
- Brittany – Can I make a comment about the method? Are we there? (Eric – sure); methods for student voices being heard; I talked to the VP candidate about how this might not be the best way to get feedback (maybe a more qualitative method would be good)
 - Suggestion?
 - Brittany: PrimeTime where you inform and get feedback (not so many I Don’t Know and I Don’t Care responses)
 - Dayna – what about turnaround time?
- Katie – when are we doing them? Can we combine it with CBS meetings
- Brittany – People already want to get out of the CBS meetings
- Katie – I don’t think anyone would show up to a separate Prime Time
- Stewart – that’s why we trick them with food
- Evan – dig the idea of leading with the stomach, but it doesn’t allow people to go deep enough; give candy in exchange for answers?
- Ian – I don’t think candy or snacks gets people to go to PT; PT provides too small a sample size
- Katie – maybe each Senator can decide; we are all freshmen, but none of us care enough to answer these questions on our own without someone making them
- Yoho – the idea for doing this is part of the CBS meeting? Is this supposed to be a raise your hand thing and vote or discussion because most people are going to be like “oh my gosh, I just want to get out of this meeting”
- Evan – motion to have Eric print off the questions and you do what works for your dorm
- Eric – before that goes anywhere, that meets Senator requirements but we have to include Coordinators, Media, etc. (Dayna – but only the Senators have to do it); Eric – retract comment about Coordinators and Media
- Yoho – I still think there needs to be guidelines for what we expect quality-wise (with that addition, I second Evan’s motion)
- Nate – who is this for?

- Senators and Representatives are in charge of each dorm
 - Eric – this is in regard to the method of executing the Constituency Report requiring a certain percentage of the Constituency be polled (vote does not include questions or the percentage required); also, questions will be sent out, feedback gathered and then final copy of questions sent out
 - Vote – pass with 14 in favor
 - You decide; if someone has an awesome idea, pass it around; Eric needs to know your methodology; this could serve as an interesting study about what is effective for certain dorms
 - Eric –do you want to continue the discussion or just do it in an e-mail?
 - E-mail!
 - Elephant Ear – everyone gets it
 - Evan – Eric should get it for organizing this meeting and Constituency Reports
- Financial Vice President
 - Requisitions – Dine with a Mind
 - Academic Affairs provides \$750
 - The rest is provided by ASWU
 - It's not included in the budget; we have to requisition every year
 - We have already gone through AA's \$750 and we've gone through \$510 out of a budget we don't have
 - Proposing a requisition for up to \$1,000 from unallocated to pay for the program so far and let it continue in Spring
 - Brittany – is AA matching our contribution?
 - Their contribution has been spent
 - Chelsea – we have already spent the \$1260 and we are only setting aside \$500 for next semester?
 - Laura – it's normally been \$750 each year from ASWU
 - This year we will try to get that much as a budget line item for next year
 - Chelsea – do we usually go over by that much?
 - Eric – usually we use it all but this is new; we cut it off usually; the reason I have raised it this year is how far we are already into it; since it's being used and affects staff and students, it's important
 - Yoho – who administers this?
 - AA gives us the money and it's done through the Info Desk
 - Eric – also, students can't use it over twice a semester
 - Yoho – do we have historical data? we can do simple analysis of how the program is doing ; is there a correlation between the e-mail to faculty and the increase in participation?
 - Sam – how much is in unallocated?

- Laura Cardle – around \$14,500***
 - Sam – it would be worthwhile matching what we spent last semester
 - Nate – what if that money is spent? Can they ask for more?
 - Laura C. – yes, there can be another requisition
 - Chelsea – how can we know if we're going over again? (why did we already go over \$500)
 - We never put the money in; we haven't capped it yet to the Info Desk, but we can cap it
- Discussion
 - Laura C. – Finance Committee recommended passing at it the precedent amount - \$750
 - Brittany – so we're really down to \$1400?
 - Nope, \$14,500***
 - Stewart – are we getting more after second semester?
 - Don't compare to last year
 - Sam – what did we start with?
 - \$24,000 with \$20,000 in capital
 - Chelsea – so if we don't spend the money, where does it go? We just don't pay it; we are allotting that amount and paying as we go
 - Brittany – is the \$1,000 including the \$500?
 - Laura C. – yes
 - Stewart – motion to pass \$1,000 of funding; Katie – second
 - Passed (with 3 opposed)
 - Stewart – are we capping it at \$1,000 unless someone notices and requisitions for more
- Vibes and Reports
 - Nate – Jan Term's awesome but too short
 - Sam – Arend has a different RA staff (6/7)
 - Brandon – basketball games this weekend; Water Pong tourney on Sunday; Tuesday is dorm spirit night
 - Cherise – maybe another potluck
 - Ian – why were the trees cut down?
 - Ryan – Boppell even more quiet than normal
 - Yoho – PhD applications still suck
 - Kellie – vibe from last year – have someone carve cool things into tree stumps
 - Brittany – the BlackBoard app for phones, how can we make that happen? (Yoho – I do! Probably); comedian tomorrow; Monday Ides of March; Tuesday Noah Peller; 20th coffee house with Ian and Austen Case and slam poet with brownies and cheese and crackers (cheese and crackers is the salami part); off-campus is a dream come true
 - Jessica – hiring two editors, working on website
 - Ian – what's up with the internet this week?

- “network issues”
- Yoho – where is the snow?
- Eric – a friend from Russia and Lithuania says hi; student body president from a school in Arkansas says hi

TEN MINUTE BREAK

- Laura – unallocated is actually at ~\$9,500 – does that change anyone’s mind about the previous requisition (it started at \$14,000) – the previous numbers were actually for capital
- Yoho – I have a survey for ASWU; I am going to play at Unplugged – deciding between BritneySpears’ Toxic or Workout J Cole
 - Katie – motion to pass Toxic
- Requisition from Lindsay Pund
 - For a speaker to come into town for National Eating Disorders Awareness week (WU started recognizing it 2 years ago); looking to expand the week because a large percentage of students are affected; we haven’t in the past needed extra funding (covered by RA budgets); this year want to bring in Shannon Cutts; broadens the concept to a discussion of beauty; other schools in the area are also interested; two guys are on the team this year – both are in an effort to reach more people
 - Speaker is \$1500
 - We explored the options for other speakers and they are viable options but she would be the best
 - Travel expenses would be \$500 for her flight here and accomodations are \$100 for the night she stays here
 - Initially, there weren’t other sources that we knew of that would be willing to help out; Emily Soucinek talked to coordinators who are willing to help with programming but budgets can’t handle it (same with Student Life, same with Health Advocates – maybe could donate a little bit); talked to a Nutrition, Health, Wellness group not affiliated with Whitworth and they are also doing something for NEDA week and can help by contributing \$350
 - Brittany – have you already been in contact with the agent and that’s the rate he/she gave you?
 - Yes
 - Brittany – Never ever go with the first price, we can negotiate; it’s better to go with an all-inclusive price rather than dividing into rate and travel
 - Sam - \$2100 total?
 - Yes
 - Discussion
 - Evan – after what Brittany said, it seems like this is a maximum number here; suggestion – pass this but any money not spent comes back to ASWU
 - Sam – I think it would be wise to table it until negotiation happens
 - Kellie – when is the next meeting?

- Laura C. – February so it’s a long time but we can do an e-mail vote if it becomes more pressing (in terms of booking)
- Landon – so this is just one person talking about Eating Disorders?
 - Laura C. – it’s a week-long thing but this is just part of it
 - Laura C. –dollar amount might change
- Landon – what is the impact of this going to be? Will it fade after this week?
- Christine – how much do speakers usually cost
 - Brittany – based on my experience at NACA, eating disorder speakers are a big waste of money because they aren’t inspiring and any one of us could get up there and talk about it; this program hasn’t been successful in the past and I’m not sure throwing money at it will improve it very much; I am hopeful that they are teaming up with someone else
- Laura – Financial Committee passed it for \$1750 (taking out contribution from the outside group)
- 2/26-3/3 is the week
- Evan – is there any possibility that we can give them some money
- Brittany – you can but then they wouldn’t be able to do it
- Stewart – did Lindsay talk with Brittany about this?
 - Emily came to her and Jesse to ask for money but they don’t have it and didn’t think it was worth it
- Yoho – Brittany, are you familiar with this person? (no) how much could you get it down?
 - Highest price would be \$1800 all-inclusive
- Yoho – agree with Landon but also when we asked what the campus wanted, they said speakers
- Chelsea – saw what they did last year and thought it spoke to this cause better than a big speaker; last year, it was in Duvall and people played music and did it in a much smaller atmosphere which was more appropriate
- Sam – around 40 people last year
- Cherise – people are getting hung-up about the idea that it’s eating disorders, but it’s also about beauty which reaches more people
- Eric – we have at least 4 meetings between now and the week; it does take time to book her; have they spoken to Sodexo (though they are usually budgeted out)
- Sam – we have had several events so far this year addressing this issue (Feminight)
- Evan – motion to fail
- Stewart – motion to table; Brittany – second

- Yoho – can we? Will they have time?
- Laura – yes, and if it comes down to it, e-mail vote
- Yoho – can I move to add an addendum? (but he decided not to)
- Unanimous pass on the tabling motion
- Yoho – maybe they should try and negotiate down and we can say “all we have is a certain amount” and it’s a good idea to talk to Sodexo
- Laura – more concerns to forward to Lindsay?
- Eric – are these stipulations (requiring a vote) or recommendation?
 - Recommendation
- Katie – if we do end up paying that much, we need to require there should be significantly more advertisement than in the past
- Brittany – make it a stipulation that it is CORE 150 extra credit
- Evan – we are not killing this softly? We are not procrastinating here?
 - Correct, we are not killing this softly
- Laura – watch for an e-mail and respond quickly
- Motion to adjourn Evan and Katie seconds 6:17pm
- Yoho protests adjourn! WHAT ABOUT MY SONG??

Melinda Leavitt, President

Amanda Blunt, Secretary