

## ASWU Minutes 2.25.15

- I. Call to order- Ian, 5:02pm
- II. Mission Statement- Graham
- III. Minutes- Approved!
- IV. Welcome Guests
- V. Recognitions
  - a. Ian: Ashton Skinner! Ashton put on a great event on Saturday night. It was awesome, great band and great food!
  - b. Ian: Matt! That is for the event last Wednesday night with Ben Lowe. Sweet event and a very important issue. Thank you for that!
- VI. Club Updates **(6 min)**
  - a. Restoring Hope
  - b. Brittany: Vice President. We are a mental health awareness club. Second year- some events we put on this year: participating in the Out of Darkness walk (suicide prevention walk), also did an event with the HEAT team. Future events- health and wellness fair, and help put on mental health awareness week. Purpose is to create open conversation around mental illness. Why we're important- there are other resources but when people are struggling with a mental illness it's good to have a community of peers to talk to about it. Meeting format has changed- used to meet every week, but now we meet maybe once a month and focus more on one-on-ones.
  - c. Ian: What year are you? (Sophomore) Do you plan on doing this next year?
  - d. Brittany: Yes, the other officers are seniors so I might be moving up next year.
- VII. Speaker: Conversation on Search & Seizure Policies **(15 min)**
  - a. Ian: We don't have a speaker but this is a topic Jolyn wanted us to go over. Proposed policy on search and seizure in the dorms. They want our feedback on this and any further questions.
  - b. {reads current policy} page 60 of student handbook.
  - c. Ian: They're looking to adopt some policies from Gonzaga as well- might be because of events that happened there this fall. Student had a weapon on campus [property]. They are looking to have a little bit more teeth to have students be able to have an RA go into the rooms and do a visual search. Want to put in RA and RD manual- be able to key into a room, as a last resort/emergency, always have security with them,

knock loudly and identify as an RA, 3 times, and then speak loudly to say they're entering. Leave a note. Etc.

- d. Danny: University official would be the next in line to OK things, is that going to be any security officer? Head of student life?
- e. Ian: I wrote that same question down.
- f. Chase: It's security. They have a master key to every door.
- g. Jordan: Is the rule saying that RA's have to let security know before they go into the room? Get their permission to go in?
- h. Kelsey: If no one is there.
- i. Chase: If we have a reason to think there's alcohol in the room, either ask them and if they don't comply then RA can say I'll get security or just let me see.
- j. Ashton L: Are they asking us to look over this?
- k. Ian: They just want feedback, this is proposed. It has to be approved by trustees but some they can implement themselves.
- l. Alicen: How are roommates impacted by this? Is the roommate informed about it since they're a part of the room?
- m. Chae: If both roommates are in the room it is noted and asked whose it is. Both names go down on the report- follow up conversations with the RD later to see who is responsible for it. Situation to situation.
- n. Jerrica: Clarify what happened at Gonzaga- not a dorm house but Gonzaga housing, so this would be dorms and theme houses?
- o. Dayna: All Whitworth-owned properties.
- p. Jenna: What exactly are they changing?
- q. Ian: I read the current policy first and now I'll read their suggestions for the handbook.
- r. {reads proposed changes}
- s. Ian: Before I go to hands- I want to make sure you understand this is the type of policy we should provide a lot of feedback on.
- t. Jacob: I would like to bring up the fact that that policy has something to do with punishment for marijuana up to 2 ounces. That's like a drug dealer.
- u. Ian: If it's more than that they have to contact security before they touch it, it's not that they wouldn't get in trouble for having less than that.

- v. Chase: It turns into a police issue at that point.
- w. Alicen: Does this policy also apply to Whitworth-registered vehicles?
- x. Ian: That might get into a security/facilities issue, but we can ask.
- y. Jacob S: If we're getting feedback, if we could get an email with the old policy and the current policy that would be nice.
- z. Ian: It's giving more teeth to the procedure. It didn't have the procedure in the student handbook before.
- aa. Ian- Gonzaga situation: Apartment building off campus, a homeless person was trying to break in and the person living there had a weapon and tried to chase them off. They got in trouble because in the handbook it says no weapons and they had one- they were put on probation.
- bb. Jacob: Is there anything in this that mentions weapons then?
- cc. Ian: I think it's more procedures because it wasn't very clear.
- dd. Raleigh: Questions- with this process, what if they are wrong or offend the student? What is the plan b if this backfires?
- ee. Joshua: If there is over that amount of marijuana it said you have to refer to security or an RD, could we change that to straight up call them?
- ff. Ian: They should already be contacting them ahead of time it sounds like.
- gg. Jenna: Is this just putting the procedure in the handbook for the student body to see, or is it changing the procedure?
- hh. Ian: The long part that I read is proposed for the RA and RD manual.
- ii. Joel: We were trained on this at the beginning of the year- if you find anything that's illegal you put it in the toilet with two sets of eyes. They trained us but it wasn't in the manual. This would be just putting it in the handbook but this policy is already kind of in place.
- jj. Ian: What I'm about to read will go into the student handbook.
- kk. {reads policies on entry}
- ll. Bre: If they have probable cause, my thought goes back to a search warrant. If you find something else in the house and its not what you were looking for then you can't do anything about it. So it should be a written this is what we're looking for and figure out the situation if they find something else- not just a free for all.

- mm. Samantha: I think we're not very knowledgeable about this at this table because we're not RA's. I don't think us going through this is a good use of our time. I think they can do the dirty work on this. It's good to put this in but I don't know much about it.
- nn. Dayna: I think she wants to see if there's a nerve it's hitting. Does this make you feel like your rights are being violated when you read this.
- oo. Jerrica: Flushing the pot down the toilet thing- I don't know how to eyeball two ounces of pot. If you're an RA and there's more than 2 ounces there that's a police issue.
- pp. Ian: That's why you call security immediately.
- qq. Kelsey: Isn't the Whitworth thing that we don't have many rules because we trust people to be adults? I feel like adding more teeth to this might be taking that away.
- rr. Ian: I don't think it's changing when to go in, but more of what to do once you're in.
- ss. Niehls: Do we have an idea how often that's actually carried out for the current policy? (room entry)
- tt. Ian: An email from Jolyn- in the past few weeks they've had a large increase of needing to do this in some of the dorms.
- uu. Matt: Does it detail what probable cause is? Criteria that needs to be met?
- vv. Dayna: I think part of the problem is people are smelling weed in a hallway, is that probable cause? Etc.
- ww. Ian: There is no section on probable cause right now so I wrote that down- definition for that.
- xx. {reads paragraph on confiscation}
- yy. Danny: I think it's intended to be used with drugs, alcohol, and cohabitation. Paraphernalia that could be taken as evidence of cohabitation- would they confiscate that, if they did it might be more unhealthy for the student than not.
- zz. Ian: I'll bring up that question.
- aaa. Dayna: This is in the infant stages of proposal so it's to your credit they're asking for your feedback.

#### VIII. FVP (20 min)

- a. Requisition: Washington Student Leadership Conference

- b. Kurtis: Numbers wise we have 18 people signed up. We sent out an email based on people who were nominated, asked if they were interested in going and how much they could pay. It's all over the board but people were honest and we try to go out and get them scholarships to cover some of these costs. It can be difficult to raise these funds. Received \$500 from an organization on the west side, so we've already covered \$500 of the \$1,300 total. We would like to requisition for \$800 today.
- c. Rebekah: Leadership weekend where 150-200 students gather and meet with speakers and leaders and in small groups. Cool opportunity for students who've been nominated to go get more leadership skills. I went and was able to use what I learned as a CDA. Students bring back things there. Audrey Evans and Molly Hough went as well- this weekend inspired them to get going with Unite, etc. It's not just for student leaders in the traditional sense- it's anyone an RD has seen with potential for leadership can go.
- d. Next weekend.
- e. Raleigh: Did the RD's give feedback as to why they recommended the certain people?
- f. Rebekah: We explained what the weekend was and asked for recommendations for people who could benefit. It also incorporates faith into leadership. Asked who in the dorms showed certain strengths. In previous years we've invited people who spoke there to come back to campus and speak.
- g. Matt: It looks like it costs \$20 more for second timers
- h. Kurtis: I think it's to give us more of a likelihood to be able to go, only 200 spots in all of Washington.
- i. Jacob: Since this is a selective group, did they say Whitworth has a cap?
- j. Kaitlyn: We have 20 spots. Trying to build a relationship between them and Whitworth. Because of the work we've done and the connections we've built we get 20 spots.
- k. Rebekah: We also have a waitlist going. Whitworth has consistently been one of the largest groups.
- l. Jenna: How did you get people from of campus to go?
- m. Kaitlyn: We also pulled people who were involved with Young Life. We also got to nominate some people too.

- n. Rebekah: Asked the service learning center as well.
- o. Step Out.
- p. Danny: Seems like a good use of our money.
- q. Matt: They're asking for \$800 right?
- r. Jordan: What was finance committee's recommendation?
- s. Kevin: To cut it in half. Said the purpose of going is to network, we saw it as a personal gain rather than for campus.
- t. Samantha: Sounded like it was for personal benefit at finance committee but I think tonight Rebekah did a better job explaining how it would affect campus. Also people usually undershoot with what they can pay. Good use of our money but it's only 19 kids.
- u. Kevin: I just talked to Linda and it doesn't look like we will get more money.
- v. Bre: We put money towards conferences, how much have we put towards other conferences this year?
- w. Kevin: One in San Francisco, etc. I have a spreadsheet with all the numbers. In the past we've done more than this, it varies.
- x. Bre: Do you think this is something that \$800 is worth our while for 18 people to go?
- y. Samantha: I think \$800 is still a little high. I could see backlash from students at large. Selected people are the only ones that get to go. This also includes gas but I think you can split gas with people who are going.
- z. Justin: Went last year, it was good but it was very personal. Last year we only requisitioned for gas.
- aa. Erika: Wondering why gas was \$300.
- bb. Kevin: There's multiple cars.
- cc. Benjamin: If we were to grant them money but less, how do we determine that?
- dd. Kevin: You can determine what you want, propose an amount.
- ee. Benjamin: I think we should take out gas.
- ff. Kevin: So that would total \$500. Do you want to make that your motion?
- gg. Yes, motion for \$500
- hh. Second
- ii. All in favor, 5 opposed.

jj. Requisition for \$500 passed

**kk. Club Charter: Threads Community**

ll. Faith: 2 other club leaders as well. We're trying to create a club to create a welcoming community through sewing and crocheting. We have a range of skill levels. For me I've always been around people who knew how to crochet but I never had a hook and yarn or enough motivation to get them. Hoping to be a supportive community to teach people and provide a range of materials that people wouldn't normally have. It's also cheaper to buy yarn in bulk. It can get boring crafting alone. We've had a ton of interest asking people that we know. There's been a couple guys. Entirety of Warren is pretty excited about it. Hoping to requisition in the future for basic materials to rent out to people to use and have yarn. Some events would be teaching everything, providing material. Another event- we kind of started a weekly cycle crafts- us 3 leaders went to the UREC and crocheted or knitted while cycling. Hoping to advertise that as a weekly fun thing to do as a club. Getting together and learning a new skill. Anyone is welcome. Another event would be for people who already knew how to knit or crochet- race or competition.

mm. Niehls: Can I give a suggestion? Instructional times- knit with Schmidt and Jacob leads it.

nn. Graham: Are you planning to do this in the next year or this semester?

oo. Faith: hoping to start it right away, our president is a Sophomore and two of us are juniors.

pp. Step out

qq. Bre: Motion to approve

rr. Second,

ss. All in favor.

tt. Club charter passes!

uu. Updates

vv. Kevin: First- at finance committee we passed money for service learning t-shirts. I've been working with the financial aid office to come up with financial wellness week. They have a lot of cool stuff going on. On Monday- email with resources. Tuesday- PT in warren talking about identity theft, Stewart on Wednesday about filing taxes. Thursday- Lied Square.

IX. Reports & Vibes (15 min)

- a. Ali: Pass
- b. Benjamin: In Mac there's some talk about putting partitions in the showers. There will be some further conversation- we're having a primetime about it to discuss.
- c. Joshua: I wanted to say a vibe about how the drill went today- I was in the HUB in the lunchroom. It was pretty disorganized; there was no one there to say what to do. Eventually we went to the basement but at first they were telling us to take care of our plates. I think a more clear procedure being posted somewhere would be good.
- d. Danny: Pass
- e. Erika: Free fries tonight at O'Doherty's. Me and Graham are talking about bowling in March.
- f. Kelsey: Pass
- g. Katie: Pass
- h. Samantha: Senators- pool schedule will be in your mailboxes. Sweatshirts- if you're ordering one tell me your size and give me money.
- i. Ashton L: Seniors- survey I sent out involving needing people to do prayers, scripture, speakers, etc. Seniors to fill spots during graduation weekend.
- j. Saige: Pass
- k. Niehls: Things are good- main focus is spring break. Bishop has one spot left.
- l. Jessica: Stewville- We are changing our primetimes to 7-9. Maybe make it an all campus thing! We think we will get more attendance and it works better for our schedules.
- m. Haley: Pass
- n. Alicen: Shout-outs, encouragement for Saige for doing the entire constituency report. Haley got money for a spa night. March 3- brownies and ice cream. April 10- Warren Peace. Planning service project. Vibe- we were in Eli's office during the drill and people were just walking around outside, right pass the blue light.
- o. Raleigh: We will not have any more Unplugged's this semester. Pirate idol is next event. I saw a professor walking past a blue light during the drill as well.
- p. Joshua: Curious why there's no more Unplugged's.
  - i. Ashton S: There's a poetry event instead and winners from that will go on to Pirate Idol.

- q. Skyler: Pass
  - r. Elaine: Pass
  - s. Marianne: Pass
  - t. Jordan: Bubble balls have been shipped. I will do an ASWU thing with them where we get to do something with them. Outdoor sports starting then. Give me feedback- having a season outdoors on Omache or indoors in Graves or two seasons for bubble balls, let me know.
  - u. Bre: CBS review went well, Club BJ on March 6 at 9pm. All freshmen and we're charging \$1. I was walking out of the HUB during the drill and walked off campus, and there was a teacher with her class walked with her class through campus.
  - v. Jerrica: I hear people like the larger cups in Saga.
  - w. Jenna: Pass
  - x. Matt: Things are going well, garden workdays every Saturday mornings starting at 11. Kipos meetings, 6pm on Sundays in the MPR. Working with Ben Lowe's organization and also our community engagement office to fund a student position through the organization that works directly on climate issues on campus and in the community area. Food forest workdays will start in the next few weeks.
  - y. Sam: Shout out to Matt- the corner in the MPR is white hot.
  - z. Lauren: Vibe- people liked the lecture on Sunday.
  - aa. Ashton S: Pass
  - bb. Graham: Drill- I had just ridden my bike on campus and it wasn't worth it to leave; that might have been like most of the slackers outside that you saw.
  - cc. Jacob: Basketball game tomorrow- coaches will get into the lives of students and saying we want encouragement now. I got texts from friends saying they really want to go now. Field Day- May 2 or 3, I'm hesitant to use the Sunday because that's Bloomsday. (May 2 is Spring Fest). May 3 afternoon is when it will happen, or it could be part of Spring fest.
- X. **EVP (5 min)**
- a. Updates
  - b. Ian: Time cards are due by Friday.
- XI. **President (10 min)**
- a. David Gushee Debrief

- b. Ali: Maybe allowing more time for questions at the end would be good for the next one.
- c. Erika: Nice job making it extra credit for core because lots of people were taking notes, getting involved, etc.
- d. Ashton S: The outlines were super helpful. Also a lot of people want to hear it that weren't there. Maybe sending out a message with a recording.
- e. Saige: I know it's too late to change, but we advertised it as a series and people thought it would be on the same night.
- f. Ian: We were hoping to get it into the same week but with other people's schedules that's difficult to do.
- g. Jerrica: Encourage people to go but also to go with an open mind. I've heard from students who aren't doing that.
- h. Sam: I spoke to students who were there late and saw it was full so they didn't end up going. Possibility to do an overflow room
- i. Jessica: Event tech saw how full it was getting so we set up that room but didn't know how to direct people to it.
- j. Ian: Maybe have people fill in so the aisles could be open.
- k. Ashton S: Part of the reason people might not be having a conversation- I know people going to the one they agree with. I think that's opposite of what we're trying to do. Polarizing language maybe caused polarized conversation.
- l. Jordan: I'm not sure if the next one is already Core 150 extra credit... (it is).
- m. Raleigh: Maybe if we do a series again make it mandatory to go to both for extra credit.
- n. Jacob S: When it comes to extra credit and there's a limit to how much you can get... maybe students would just go to one instead of the series.
- o. Jenna: I think the biggest thing is that people liked him but he didn't focus as much on the theology of it. He focused more on the human perspective.
- p. Alicen: I heard people wanting to further the conversation afterwards- maybe having prime times or the HUB a place where people could talk in small groups would be helpful.

- q. Erika: Since off campus it's been hard to get constituency reports, at our event tonight I printed out a sheet and I'm going to put on the tables to see if it can start conversation.
  - r. Sam: Wondering if we could buy copies of David Gushee's book- if we didn't think he went as in depth if there's a way to get copy of the book.
  - s. Kevin: We would have to buy them, but we could if that's what students want.
  - t. Sam: Maybe giving people a free copy of the book if they wanted to delve deeper.
  - u. Next steps
  - v. Ian: March 9<sup>th</sup>, 7pm RTT is the next event. Spots for students to have a meal.
  - w. Kevin: Student dinner around 5pm before. I'll send out an email.
  - x. Ian: Talking with David before and after, he was singing our praises for taking this issue on and that the university is allowing us to do this. He's impressed by our students.
- XII. For the good of the order
- a. Shout outs
  - b. Kevin: Today Samantha saved 9 people from the shooter drill. They were hanging out here and she pulled them in her office.
  - c. Erika: Question- how do newsletters work?
  - d. Kevin: Eli is still approving them.
  - e. Joshua: Jacob I got good vibes about kickball.
  - f. Jacob: I'm in contact with the head coach of the baseball team to see if he has extra mitts, bats, etc. Kickball for sure will happen.
  - g. Ian: Laurel had an amazing email that went out about Ben Rector. Shout out to Skyler and Jessica for helping out at the event, Ashton I know you did work driving him around, Skyler you also had Fenton's this weekend, etc.
  - h. Rachel: Shout out to Samantha for putting your faces on posters!
  - i. Bre: We have a no filter, which is like our serious prime time tonight from 7-9 on race and ethnicity. We have core lecturers on our panel.
  - j. Jordan: We have 40 people heading down to eat- I understand that it's a privilege and that we should be grateful but having it after seems like a burden on the people down there working.

- k. Ian: We were able to all meet and Eli worked out a system with Jim and Dan- we'll see how it goes. This is what they proposed for tonight.
- l. Faith: Cool Whip show tomorrow night at 10pm.
- m. Ian: As we're all going down there, you'll all need a pass from me. Make sure you're showing how gracious you are to that staff because they will deal with a lot of us right now. This is a treat for us.
- n. Kevin: the limit is \$7.50.
- o. Sam: Could it also be used in Saga?
- p. Ian: This is what they suggested for tonight, just café.
- q. Danny: one list, one location but it wouldn't matter where you used that card.
- r. Graham: So that \$7.50 can you get anything?
- s. Ian: Only the sandwich, burger/chicken strip section, and fountain drink.

XIII. Adjourn 6:26pm