

## ASWU Minutes 4.8.15

- I. Call to order- Ian 5:01pm
- II. Mission Statement-Joshua
- III. Minutes-Approved!
- IV. Welcome Guests
- V. Club Updates **(6 min)**
  - a. **Ultimate Frisbee Club:**
  - b. Danny: It's been an exciting year- team of 20 guys, a lot more people than last year. It's a lot of fun. This weekend is our conference championship- we're 27<sup>th</sup> in the nation now. If we take first we get to go to nationals, it's the first year we've ever been this good! I've been working with Jacob to put on the spikeball tournament, glad to be a part of it!
  - c. Jenna: Do you have opportunities for girls to join?
  - d. Danny: Last year we had a girl's team but it sort of fell apart, we tried to again this year but there's not as much commitment. Meghan Watkins and Tiffany Lim and Claire- three to talk to but there's not many girls other than that. Welcoming to anyone who wants to come out.
  - e. Jenna: Are tournaments males only?
  - f. Danny: Some are males only, some are females only and some are mixed.
  - g. SciFi and Fantasy- Maggie and Carmen
  - h. Maggie: It's a good place to come and hangout and talk about nerdy things, we're open to anyone. In the past year we had a Star Wars vs. Star Trek night and a fantasy movie night. We had a Firefly marathon, which we've done the past three years. Harry Potter extravaganza, etc.
  - i. Carmen: This Saturday we will be doing an event in East. Either the 25<sup>th</sup> of this month or the 5<sup>th</sup> of May we are planning on a stargazing event.

- j. Jerrica: What room in East? (the big one)
- k. Eli: When do you guys normally meet?
- l. Maggie: We don't really have a set meeting time it's mostly when we're all free. We're trying to put more into marketing and posters but if you want to get on the email let me know.
- m. Jenna: Where are you going stargazing at?
- n. Maggie: Probably behind the gym
- o. Carmen: Stargazing depends on weather, 8:00 or later probably.
- p. Joshua: How many people show up on average? (15-20)
- q. **Psychology Club:**
- r. Dan: PsyChi and Psych club. Lots of fun stuff coming up and we've done a lot of fun stuff this year. In the fall we raised money for one of our professors in color cookies for cancer, our faculty is going through a hard time with illnesses. We also did notes of appreciation and made a binder for one of our professors. We're doing Mental Health Awareness Week- money will go to Frontier. We have events planned with speakers, movie night, etc. Panda Express night- we get 20% of the proceeds for the whole day towards the awareness week. We will have a Mental Health forum- safe space for people who have ever experienced mental illness. The following week is WPA in Vegas- research conference. We just had inductions into PsyChi, got all new officers, we're still talking about doing a faculty trivia night so we'll see.
- s. Ian: Is Restoring Hope working with you for mental health awareness week?
- t. Chris: I've been in contact with them.

- u. Dan: We've been coordinating with Gonzaga and EWU- Gonzaga fell through but Eastern is doing a coin drive to add on to our proceeds. Showing Silver Linings Playbook for the movie.

VI. Forensics Team **(20 min)**

- a. Sam Director: Roadmap of this talk- define what forensics is, our successes, members, philosophy, etc. Forensics is speech and debate- no it's not just debate. Debate is a small portion of what we do, speech events are a large portion. Individual events: three categories- limited preparation, platform, and interpretive. Limited prep events are limited preparation- impromptu speech. You walk into a room and there's a prompt, you have a certain number of minutes to come up with a speech, support your analysis with philosophers, etc. Extemporaneous- more politically focused for example. Citation based 7-minute speech about a certain event. Platform events are pre-prepared (persuasion, informative, communication analysis). 10 minutes and you do the same speech every time you perform it. Interpretive events- there's a huge crossover in high school with drama and debate but not as much in college. You pick a play that makes an argument and you act it out, or poetry, prose, etc. Debate- what everyone thinks of when they hear forensics. Types of format for debate- we use IPDA (international public debate association). Different question/topic every round. Various rounds like March Madness in basketball. How a speech tournament works- it's like a track meet or a swim meet. There are preliminary rounds or heats and then final rounds.
- b. Whitworth forensics team- Individual awards vs. sweepstakes awards. Sweepstakes is team-based: example would be when the Whitworth track team wins an award. Regional and national tournaments are also

- different. We didn't have a program for 13 years but it started up again in 2011. It started small- we had 10 members and took 5<sup>th</sup> in the conference. 2012-2013 the team doubled in size. 16 members, we won a sweepstakes award at every tournament. 4<sup>th</sup> in the conference, 1<sup>st</sup> in the Christian Nationals Sweepstakes. Top 5 at IPDA Nationals (year-long).
- c. 2013-2014 we had 20 members, 2<sup>nd</sup> in the conference, 1<sup>st</sup> in Christian nationals sweepstakes. Makes us the only repeat national championship program in university history that I know of.
  - d. 2014-2015: 21 members, went to 10 tournaments. 1<sup>st</sup> at 8 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2. 1<sup>st</sup> in the conference, 1<sup>st</sup> at Christian Nationals, 1<sup>st</sup> in IPDA sweepstakes.
  - e. Many of our members had no previous public speaking experience prior to joining the team. When people stick with it improvements come so quickly. 12 different majors represented. General idea- we're not doing this because we want to win. Winning is awesome but that's not the reason we do it. It's about having fun and getting better at speaking and communicating with the outside world. We will value the skills we're learning from the enterprise itself. How can you get involved? Public speaking skills are not required. All majors and years are welcome. Able to accommodate with different schedules, study abroad, etc. Email Mike Ingram if interested. [mingram@whitworth.edu](mailto:mingram@whitworth.edu)
  - f. Bre: How often do you meet in between tournaments?
  - g. Sam: 1 credit class and an individual meeting with our coach every week.
  - h. Guest: Are there any tournaments left?
  - i. Sam: We're done for the year.
  - j. Jenna: Do you have lots of underclassmen?
  - k. Sam: We have 8 seniors this year. I can name at least 5 freshmen and sophomores.

- l. Joshua: Is this a club?
- m. Sam: No it's a part of the communication studies department.
- n. Katie: What does your team look like next year?
- o. Sam: We usually get a bout 2-4 new people every year, someone will usually leave every year so I could anticipate us getting 5-7 new people, losing 1. It would be like most of our competitors would be in the younger divisions, just a younger year next year.
- p. Jacob: Could you speak to how you get divided in tournaments?
- q. Sam: There are different divisions. Novice is your first year in competition, you have to win your way out. If you win a certain number you have to move up.

VII. FVP (5 min)

- a. Updates
- b. Kevin: Didn't meet this past weekend but we will next Sunday.
- c. Budget Committee
- d. Budget committee is happening on April 20<sup>th</sup> and the 21<sup>st</sup>. Passing around signup sheets. We also need 2 voting members, 2 non-voting members and 2 students at large. It's important you're able to commit to the whole time. Starts at 5pm, goes until 12:00am, and on the second day it seeps into 1:00 sometimes. I'll also have the signups on my door.
- e. Joshua: Would it be academically excused for a class we would have to miss?
- f. (It's in the evening)
- g. Kevin: Dinner will be provided. Coordinators sign up for time slots. Make sure you come explaining how you spent your current budget and list each expense that happened, be as detailed as you can but know you only have 10-12 minutes.

## VIII. Jordan- Intramurals Conference

- a. Jordan: Conference down in Texas. If you had a rec program you were at this conference. Talked to a guy from Calvary- said they charge a fee/gym membership and give back a \$25 credit for participating in activities. He said it's quadrupled the activity- if students don't use that money it just goes to waste. Ed sessions- a lot about official training, how to better train referees, etc. Stanford- one forfeit and you're ineligible for the rest of the season. Will look into getting more people to be committed to their sports. Ladder system- badminton, etc, with lots of teams with discrepancies between skill level. Work your way up and challenge first place, etc.
- b. Talked to lighting and turf vendors for Omache- weather and the fact that it gets dark pretty early are problems but lighting would help. Turf would expand the number of sports we have. Other schools have 30-40 sports. Talked to people at IM Leagues and other system. Speedminton idea. Glad I went to the conference! The survey- #1 sport people want is paintball, ping pong and softball were up there too. Water Polo and inner tube basketball were high choices. Putt putt and spikeball had lots of votes. We had to adjust for responses, smaller sports had a lot of interest. 7-10pm is when people are the most available.

## IX. Reports & Vibes (20 min)

- a. Katie: If you have extra money in your budget the Whitworthian have 4 issues left if you want advertisements for your events. \$12 for an online ad is the cheapest. Whitworth ads are half off.
- b. Erika: Off campus is good, we're planning on taking over wonderland. So off campus will vote online for the elections?

- c. Eli: We'll send out at least 2 emails tomorrow with the link. We will also have a computer in the HUB for them.
- d. Faith: Will the link be on the current students page?
- e. Eli: No with the new website that won't work. You can also go to the ASWU page.
- f. Ashton S: Green Dot launched their new campaign today. Encourage people to check that out. We had the Poli Sci department and Beck's cabinet making commitments to this campaign. The HEAT walk will be coming up too.
- g. Skyler: Email sent out today to Duvall residents about picking a movie for Duvall Drive In.
- h. Jordan: Trying to get Hoopfest to sponsor our t-shirts- talking with intern. Interested in bringing in a basketball hoop and lawn games and prizes. There could be a 3v3 tournament that they would put on, etc. Hopefully we could still get the t-shirts. Doing the same championship all-star game as we did last semester.
- i. Jacob: How long are you going to wait to hear back about their funds?
- j. Jordan: I told her by next Tuesday.
- k. Jacob: Talk to us if you don't know by then.
- l. Raleigh: Pass
- m. Jenna: Planning All Pumped Up.
- n. Jessica: StewVille has fun things planned.
- o. Jerrica: East has our own fun things. Ultimate Capture the Flag game (East, Duvall, StewVille and BJ). 7-9 on April 16<sup>th</sup>. Inside and outside the dorms, flow in the dark flags, etc.
- p. Marianne: Pass
- q. Elaine: Pass

- r. Saige: Pass
- s. Joshua: Jordan I have a rift that there might be interest in starting a hammock club. From your results I was wondering if I could see if anyone clicked on that link.
- t. Jordan: In my experience hammocking has never fallen under intramurals.
- u. Eli: UREC did a survey. (It would be with Outdoor Rec)
- v. Alicen: Warren Peace this Friday in the loop! Cookies, iced tea, 18 different acts, 3-6pm. First announcement of execs will be at Warren Peace.
- w. Eli: We will also still send out an email after.
- x. Lauren: Outside Boppell Smoothie House is the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- y. Graham: Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> of April from 4-8 is the Wonderland event for off campus.
- z. Bre: This weekend people were frustrated that everything was closed all weekend. We need to plan that better- UREC shouldn't have been closed, library was also closed.
- aa. Kelsey: Pass
- bb. Laurel: Tomorrow 8pm in Eric Johnston we're showing the Imitation Game. Branches with Cold Mountain Yeti opening for them on the 17<sup>th</sup> of April 8pm in the dining hall.
- cc. Haley: 7-9pm for Primetime now in Ballard.
- dd. Benjamin: BMac in Concert. April 26 at noon on the Mac stairs.
- ee. Niehls: Sent out a survey yesterday. How many outdoor rec trips have people been on, suggestions for future trips, rental program, a lot of people want hammocks. Hike this weekend on Saturday, Deep Creek. I



look around and how many of you have been on a trip? 0! If any of you want to come it's this Saturday from 9-2pm.

ff. Matt: Meeting with members of the University Sustainability Committee to talk about the 2021 plan and sustainability goals. Working on detailing some more KPI's for the future. Student health and wellness fair is this coming Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> 10:30-1:30. Kipos has a booth to talk about benefits of gardening.

gg. Jacob: Overall price for the inflatables for Springfest dropped. I sent an email saying we need it from 2-6 so we got a discount. There will be 5 employees from the Fun Guy that will come. One guy each on the mechanical bull, bungee trampoline, slide, cotton candy, and roaming. All qualified to do it all. We'd need about 3-6 people to volunteer to be around and roam as well. Served ice cream in BJ on Monday, it was a hit. Most of the basketball players were there, coaches and their families, etc.

#### X. EVP (5 min)

a. Announcements

b. Eli: Tomorrow is general elections, remind people about that tomorrow! We have I Voted Today stickers. Off campus is online. Senators- primetime tomorrow. We'll be in the Hub various times tomorrow for the voting booth. 7:30-1 and 4-7 then primetimes start happening. Polls online close at 10:00pm.

c. Eli: We need people to work the voting booth tomorrow. I was asked to speak on the food committee- confirmed the fact that we can have the taco trucks and Ben and Jerry's. 2-4:45 because dinner will start. 4:45-7 will be dinner with Sodexo. We will add a water station. Looks like we will get a large sum of free stuff from the tacos- at least 250 free tacos

and I don't know about Jamaican jerk. Clubs cannot sell food at Springfest.

- d. Bailey: Elections question- I've been hearing concerns about how the Whitworthian endorses a candidate and whether they should. As a student I would like to know how that happens- how they choose each candidate?
- e. Katie: We conduct interviews with each candidate, at least 2 people. And we evaluate every aspect of the candidate and try to give an evaluation.
- f. Ian: This is the 4<sup>th</sup> campaign I've seen, student government doesn't have much say about what the paper will or won't do. To get experience for those students about what actual papers do, I think this should be done. It's done by the editorial staff.
- g. Katie: It's not the entire Whitworthian, the group of people on the editorial board are people who could endorse it.
- h. Samantha: There have been people who got the endorsement but haven't been elected.
- i. Kevin: The signup sheet for budget committee- come Sunday there won't be many spots left because clubs are signing up. I know we touched on having clubs at Springfest- we thought it would be cool if they could be in the hello walk, I'm not sure if that's conflicting. People could walk by and they're there to do something fun and say hi.
- j. Ian: They'll have their own presence but also provide a fun activity- I say yes.
- k. Raleigh: No logistical concerns.
- l. Election Update

## XI. President (5 min)

- a. Announcements

- b. Ian: ASWU Team for next year. Media and Coordinators (on slide).
- c. Jacob: I thought Kelsey was a senior. Also what does “we think” mean for Whitworthian editor?
- d. Katie: She hasn’t confirmed yet.
- e. Ian: To finish up. Today I joined the mayor and 2 other representatives at a press conference, talked about Spokane Gives week. It’s all part of the Spokane Compassionate initiative. Week long, having students more involved in the community with hours of service. Asking senators to put service projects on that week. Anything we do in April they’ll take. Also taking that week to do random acts of kindness. Great experience, seeing how this is a city-wide thing. Trying to see which student body will get the most people participating per capita.
- f. STAR Awards
- g. Ian: Raleigh! Recognizing you for all the hard work you’ve put in all year long. Work in the gala and thank you for your commitment.
- h. Danny! For Dub Club. If you guys see him congratulate him on a great event and his work with Whitworth.fm this year.
- i. Katie! She put in a lot of work this past week for endorsements and going through the process with the elections.
- j. Ian: Katie and I also met with the readership program on Tuesday, telling us about ideas they have for our program and for an app to bring to campus. Has articles and content from USA Today, other papers, and the student paper all in one platform. Looking into how else we could pay for that not just ASWU. Could be used by faculty staff and alumni.
- k. Jordan: Any more talks about the survey for the app at the beginning of the year?
- l. Kelsey: That app gave up on us.

- m. Ian: NACA will be in Spokane next year so we could look into that as well.
  - n. Kevin: If you have a smartphone there's a lot of news apps.
  - o. Ian: Newspapers, when we read a paper and don't put it back we get charged for the copies that are missing. We pay for only ones that get used.
  - p. Raleigh: (shows poster for Gala Carnivale) I still have 10 dealer spots open, 2 bartender spots open, and we will need a lot of help with setup. We will do a chandelier and fabric to put on it. I need a lot of help with setup and takedown. I bought plastic glasses for mock champagne fountain. It will be completely free. We will have casino games. This cannot happen without the power of the people.
  - q. Joshua: What will the dress be?
  - r. Raleigh: It's black tie. We will try to get bulk masks to give out for free. Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> from 8-12.
- XII. For the good of the order
- a. Ian: Shout out to the whole SEC.
  - b. Jenna: Shout out to our candidates in the back. Excited to see who wins!
  - c. Raleigh: Shout out to those who are continuing in ASWU next year.
  - d. Joshua: I had a couple freshmen ask when we get our yearbooks
  - e. Kelsey: May 11 from 4-7.
  - f. Erika: So You Think You Can Dance, after Warren Peace at 7. Its \$1.
  - g. Alicen: Sodexo is providing paper plates on Friday.
- XIII. Adjourn: 5:25pm