

ASWU Meeting Minutes 02/07/2018

In attendance:

2017-2018 School Year (Voting) - President - Jeff Debray, Executive Vice President - Dylan Reyes, Financial Vice President - Shaun Fisher, Secretary - Jordan Coleman, Activities Coordinator - Danny Butler, Special Events Coordinator - Rachel Henson, Cultural Events Coordinator - Kamau Chege, Marketing/PR Coordinator - Hunter Smit, Senior Class Coordinator - Sarah Dixit, Spiritual Life Coordinator - Hannah Palmer, Sports Coordinator - Mae Curtis, Sustainability Coordinator - Claire Leveck, Outdoor Recreation Coordinator - Elisha Parslow, Natsihi Editor - Michaela Mulligan, Whitworth.fm Manager - Colin Bondy, Whitworthian Editor - Courtney Murphy, Arend Senator - Amber Van Brunt, Baldwin Jenkins Senator - Alex Mowrey, Ballard Senator - Savannah Heath, Boppell Senator - Sarah Haman, Duvall Senator - Tucker Wilson, McMillan Senator - Martin Crocco, Off-Campus Senator - Gracie Meiners, Oliver Senator - Hannah Underwood, Stewart/Village Senator - Shelby Krug, Josiah Gallegos, BJ/Stewville Zone Rep - Parker Daniels (Daniel Moore), Arend/Boppell Zone Rep - Alexa Ricks, Duvall/Oliver Zone Rep - Jacob Seo, Off-Campus Zone Rep - Lisa Huang, Off-Campus Zone Rep - Franklin Ekelem, Off-Campus Zone Rep - Hannah Howell

Meeting was brought to order at 5:00pm in the HUB MPR

Jeff: We need to review our minutes from Jan Term. Are there any corrections?

Ethan: There were corrections but there is still a blank.

Hannah H: Motion to approve the minutes

All approved.

Teresa reads the mission statement.

GUEST SPEAKER: Dr. Deanna Ojennus, Accreditation Update

I'm here because I need to start getting the word out to students about our seven year self-evaluation and site visit. We have to live up to some standards that we have. We are going to have a site visit which is April 4-6th after spring break. The site evaluation team is going to come to campus and check to see if we are meeting their standards and want to see if the Whitworth community knows our three core themes.

Core Theme 1: Through a community of Christian scholars integrating faith and learning and promoting in its graduates.

Core Theme 2: Providing an excellent education rooted in the liberal arts and sciences preparing students for careers and lives of service.

Core Theme 3: Through an inclusive campus community fostering in its graduates

intercultural competencies and civic engagement in an increasingly diverse world. They are going to be asking students questions and we need to recruit people to come so that we have a good turnout of students when they are here.

Why should students care if Whitworth is accredited?

It's important because other people can see if your education was by an accredited school and for the school's own self-improvement and accomplishment. They give recommendations about what we are doing well and what we should do better. Also, if the school isn't accredited, students can't receive financial aid from the government.

I'm also looking for volunteers to be the welcoming face of the school. It's a big team coming from the Northwest that are coming to evaluate us. I need people to meet and greet and drive for when the team is here.

Hannah P: If we aren't certified to drive a 15 person van, should we still sign up to drive if we are willing?

Mae: Yes, you can get certified.

CLUB UPDATES

RISE Program

We are looking for volunteers to help work with elementary schools and middle schools. It's from 3:30-4:30pm to help with tutoring or mentoring. We are also going to be going to prime times to talk to people and get volunteers.

Alex: How many students volunteered for RISE last semester?

RISE: We don't know. We will get back to you.

Where does the tutoring take place?

RISE: At different schools. The program is based in the Dornsife Center so if you have any more programs, come find us.

FINANCIAL VP UPDATES: Shaun Fisher

Capital: \$16, 270

Unallocated (out): \$2, 518.19

EXECUTIVE UPDATES: Dylan Reyes

Student Highlight - Hannah Palmer

Spring Elections Vote

We need to vote on some dates for the elections

Applications are opening on Tuesday Feb. 13 @ 9am
Applications are due on Friday March 16 @ 5pm
Mandatory meeting for approved candidates Monday March 19 @ 8pm
Primary Campaigning Monday April 2 @ 8am
Primary Voting Friday April 6 @ 6am-10pm
Primary Results Friday April 6 @10:30pm
General Campaigning Saturday April 7 @ 8am - Wednesday April 11 @ 11pm
Primetime Candidate Carousels Monday April 9 @ 8-10pm
Executive Debates Tuesday April 10 @ 6pm
General Voting Thursday April 12 @ 6am-11pm
General Results Thursday April 12 @ 11:30pm
Announce Election Results Friday April 13 @ 8am

Vote

Alex: I move to approve the suggested dates

16 favor

0 opposed

0 abstaining

Student Election Committee

Last time we had 3 members and 4 students at large, now it needs to be opposite. I need 4 from the voting assembly to be a member for this semester.

Members: Martin, Savannah, Gracie, Alexa, Hannah U.

Students at Large: Daniel

PRESIDENT UPDATES: Jeff Debray

Reminder that our retreat is on Friday. Meet in the MPR at 5pm

Town Hall Series is happening again in the spring. Dates and Topics ??

Feb. 20 @6pm - Impact of socio-economic class at Whitworth

OCE Event - Conversation about American Immigration

Monday February 12 @7-9pm in RTT (civic engagement for core 350)

REPORTS AND CAMPUS VIBES

Savannah: I knew there is little to nothing that can be done but students are unhappy about not being allowed to take food out of Sodexo.

Celisse: You should email Dan and talk about how there are a lot of people upset about it.

Hannah U: Do we know why we changed it?

Tucker: I think it's to prevent us from feeding other people who don't have a meal plan

Jeff: You can send emails respectfully and don't burn the bridge with Sodexo.

Alex: Senators can talk at their CBS meetings about it as well.

Lacey: I'm from Spokane Dream Project and we did a phone bank and collected letters. Last week we met with the senator about some of the moves that are being made in the democratic party. There is going to be a standalone vote about the Dream Act. We are taking a more legislative push with our club and we want to let people know that this is a great way for them to get involved.

We meet every Sunday at 4pm in the ISC.

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Micaela: We have a spread in the yearbook that cover study abroad trips for Jan Term or for the coming semesters. I put in the Facebook class groups and I have only had one person email me. Email me with your photos.

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Need the photos as soon as possible.

Hannah U: Do there have to be human subjects in the photo?

Micaela: Yes, we prefer people and I need names of the people and where you are.

Sarah H: I had a member of my community contact me and she and Dornsife are interested in advertising for their upcoming events in our newsletters. She is sending me a blurb and I said that I would bring it up in ASWU in case anyone else wanted to include it in their newsletters.

Ethan: I've been working on getting a vending machine for Warren. We are trying to start the machine off with 30% healthy food and then eventually we will change it to what we want. A lot of our residents are complaining about WiFi and we are adding more access points for the building. A resident came to be about the observatory in Robinson and how students don't have access. Students also want to start an Astronomy club. I'm starting Warren sweatshirts again so that hopefully more people can get some more apparel. For prime times, I didn't think that I was doing enough, so I want to evolve my position. I've been talking to my RD and now I have complete control of my prime times each week and will relate the events more to the residents. I think I'm going to have a town hall where residents can ask people questions. I want to do more door-door primetimes. I also want to form a new leadership group to come to Warren to get more people involved. We have an eco-rep.

Rachel: Spring Unplugged is March 5 @8pm in the MPR. Please encourage people to perform and have them email me. The deadline is March 1st to sign up. Posters will be printed soon.

Savannah: Shout Out to maintenance for putting in another water bottle filler. Awkward Middle School Dance is on February 17th @8pm-11pm in the gym.

Kamau: This month is Black History Month. Some things that we are doing is that next week we are going to be seeing a bunch of posters about events.

Feb 12: Beck Taylor is having a conversation for OCE sponsored event

February 15th: Dwyane Mak is talking about black women history @RTT @7pm

16th: Premier of Black Panther and so BSU is going downtown with other schools

19th: 4pm Nate Bowling 2016 teacher of the year is doing a lecture about faith and education and community

Last three weeks there will be different movies being shown

Jeff: I met with a new staff member in the library yesterday and she talked to be about wanting feedback on the final study week room they did. Did anyone go to that? (NO)

Hannah: They didn't have great hours for it. They should open earlier.

Jeff: They are also putting together a student library advisory council. It's a once a month commitment and you get free dinner.

Hannah U, Jacob Seo, William T

Shelby: If you didn't know, Stewville has a new RD Phillip. He is so awesome and is doing great things in our community. We had Stewville vs. BJ Dodgeball. He is always around the community and he is really great. He is improving our team dynamic. We have bathroom problems with the pipes. We are constantly calling facilities and there are puddles in the 3rd floor women's bathroom. Still in the process for requesting new windows for the residence hall. We are also looking to start our first event that is going to bring in profit. We might be adding an escape room or something else and that will be happening this spring semester.

Hannah P: Thank you for all of your hard work with Propaganda. It went great.

Claire: I have a zero waste project series going on and info is on wastedlentproject.com

Sarah H: The English department is in the process of hiring 2 new professors. When Whitworth hires new professors, they ask students to attend faux classes.

Feb. 8 @4:50pm

Feb. 14 @4:50pm

Feb. 21 @4:50pm

Gracie: Last night was the big basketball game. It was really awesome how many people were there and thank you for the help with the pizza.

Daniel: The history department is also hiring and looking at 3 potential candidates

Danny: Can we look at charter buses for the possible championship basketball game against Whitman if it's at Whitman?

Mae: Already looking into it.

SHOUT OUTS

Danny for great game show over Jan Term

People involved in Casino Night

Gracie for pizza event last night

Alex: Move to adjourn the meeting

Meeting concluded at 6pm