

ASWU Meeting Minutes 09/27/2017

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, Warren Senator-Ethan Clardy

Meeting was brought to order at 5:02pm in the ASWU Chambers

Welcome to the fourth ASWU meeting of the year, thank you for coming.

Introductions by ASWU executives

ASWU Mission statement read by Hannah Palmer

Welcome guests, we are excited that you are here - feel free to speak up

Approve minutes from the last three meetings

Move to approve minutes - seconded - passed

CLUB UPDATES

Hawaiian club

- Promoting for culture of Hawaii with Spokane and Whitworth community
- Mission is to get everyone involved - be inclusive even if you are or aren't from Hawaii
- This year, we have a big freshman class of 20 students from Hawaii
- First event was of alumni from Whitworth at a potluck
- Monthly food events with homemade food
- Winter clothes shopping
- Scarywood and other things around Spokane that are different from Hawaii

- Interested in community service activities and getting involved
- Encourage everyone to attend to share our traditions
- One big event every spring: luau
- Club to inform about polynesian cultures all in Hawaii

GUEST SPEAKER

Greg Orwig

VP of Admissions and Financial Aid

- How many here are first year, sophomores, juniors, and seniors?
- Big picture: This is by far the most competitive admissions landscape that Whitworth has had in decades
- Declining amount of high school graduates, lack of enrollment at Whitworth
- Who do you think is our number one cross admit school? UW
- Most academic selective 4 year school
- I think we have an excellent academic product to offer
- This year we were aiming for 600 freshmen and only received 504 students, disappointed
- We were aiming 90 new transfer students and we enrolled 85
- We did a survey of all students that were admitted to WU this fall and asked them what was important to their college decision, where else were you admitted, etc.. and compared students that came to Whitworth and those who went somewhere else
 - Most important factor was the net price that they had to pay out of pocket
 - Rated Whitworth as dead last on the survey for financial aid

Significant decline in students who visited

- Coming out with our applications earlier to try and get students to apply earlier
- Visits only when they are admitted

What can you do a students?

- The warmth and friendliness is very different at Whitworth than at other schools
- Continue being welcoming
- Our office depends a ton on tour guides and hosts
- Peer to peer contact is super powerful way to help students make good and informed decisions about campus

If you know people who would thrive at Whitworth, don't count on us to reach out

- Reach out to them yourselves and help them become aware of Whitworth

FINANCIAL VP UPDATES

Shawn Fisher

Requisitions went through past committee this Sunday

- Updated Whitworth banner for marches and protests - unique situation, rejected
- Shelby Krug requisition approved for tech event on Friday
- Sarah Haman requisition approved for milk and cookies event at Boppell
- If you see needs on campus, come talk to me and we can bring new things to campus

Committees are finally finalized, all spots are filled

Club website is up to date www.whitworthclubs.com

Capital amount \$20,000

Unallocated \$4,700.50