



## 2018-19 ASWU Meeting Minutes | **February 27th, 2019**

*In attendance:*

Tersa Almaw   President	present
Andrews Boateng   EVP	present
Chelsea Shearer   FVP	present
Catalina Corvalan   EAA	present
Rohini Vyas   Campus Activities Coordinator	present
Amber Van Brunt   Sports Events Coordinator	present
Morgan Bucher   Sustainability Coordinator	absent
Ethan Clardy   Senior Class Coordinator	absent
Jira Hammond   PR/Marketing Coordinator	present
Abdul Haq   Special Events Coordinator	present
Talya Jackson   Spiritual Life Coordinator	present
Utsal Shrestha   Cultural Events Coordinator	present
Emily Clemons   Oliver Senator	present
James Parrish   McMillan Senator	present
Jose Aguilera   Warren Senator	present
Katie Rose   Ballard Senator	present
Lauren Sfeir   Arend Senator	present
Katie Ludlum   Baldwin-Jenkins Senator	present
Sarah Haman   Boppell Senator	present
Almat Yeraly   Stewville Senator	present
Elizabeth Sanders   Off-Campus Senator	present
David Martin   Duvall Senator	present

Pema Tshogyal   Off-Campus Representative	present
Erik Blank   Off-Campus Representative	present
Grace Schmidt   Off-Campus Representative	present
Christopher Clay   Arend & Boppell Representative	present
Mitchell Anderson   Baldwin-Jenkins & Stewart Representative	present
Gracey Gonzalez   Duvall & Oliver Representative	present
Ehizogie Agbontaen   Warren Representative	present
Karen Sobtafo   Global Engagement Representative	present

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Meeting brought to order at 5:00 in ASWU Chambers.

Exchange students introduced, presented by Todd Sandberg, Director of U-Rec.

Honored original caretakers of the land.

Mission Statement read by Chris.

Minutes from 02/20/2019 approved unanimously.

## **FVP Updates**

### **Capital and Unallocated**

**Chelsea:** Unallocated: \$ 11,732.56

Capital: \$ 18,061.42

## **Speaker of the Week**

### **Brian Pointer | Whitworth Outdoors Program**

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I'm the Whitworth Outdoors Student Coordinator, and our efforts this new year have been to make more a welcoming program, cater to the office of SDEI, and we've been working with Utsal to continue that. We created a survey to push students to get feedback on how people view the program. It takes about 5-7 minutes, gives feedback on past trips, and maybe things we can do to improve ourselves. We want everyone welcomed and encouraged to come outdoors, we also realize it's not everyone, don't want to force people, but have their voices heard. My contact info, Teri can send to you. We also have small QR codes with URL into smartphones, etc. Quick shoutout to Utsal, for all his work with us.

Also, we will be having a trip to California, we'll go skiing in Lake Tahoe, we'll also do climbing, etc. by Santa Monica.

Please remember to take a few minutes to have everyone's feedback, the more, the better the help, helps to shape the program, we want to feel approachable, and not everybody might like sleeping in a snow cave, but we offer different experiences, most of which are beginning friendly, and helps others ease into it. We exist to give these experiences, super cheap. Tera will have our contact info.

## **Club Updates**

### **Gaming Club**

**Sarah Kirsten | [skirsten19@my.whitworth.edu](mailto:skirsten19@my.whitworth.edu)**

We have a big upcoming event March 13-14 Whitcon, there's been a lot of interest to be vendors, will have art gallery, will partner with SmashClub to have tournament. Have had events for 10 years. Seen multiple dates, unsuccessful, last year we went out of red, one major thing this year, we will change location to here, in MPR, more centralized, new perspective on how to promote, so we have more people. We have a new banner, will hang up every Friday, 6-10PM in Eric Johnson 308, new room. We picked 308, we have cabinets, permitted to have it, change lock security. One other event is the MVP club fair in march, they asked to show off our club. Also, if you haven't heard, TextMuse is an app to advertise events made by one of our own professors,, he highly recommends you guys add events there, pretty easy. Contact him at [ptucker@whitworth.edu](mailto:ptucker@whitworth.edu)

**Jira:** what time do you all meet?

**Sarah:** Fridays 6-10PM goes later if there's people. EJC 308.

### **Generation Action**

*Not present.*

### **Adopted Pirates of WU**

**Lajhaya Lewis-Harrell | [llewis-harrell19@my.whitworth.edu](mailto:llewis-harrell19@my.whitworth.edu)**

So we're APOW, and if you guys come on Tuesday, we have childcare from infants to 12. November was Christmas, We played with snow. We do have some future events coming up, but we still meet every 4th Tuesday of month.

**Grace:** are these random children? Where do they come from?

**Lajhaya:** These are foster kids, we create a foster support group, and bring them together. We've lost a few, one was adopted, one went back to parents.

## **EVP Updates**

### **New Job Descriptions | Theme House Senator**

**Andrews:** So as you all know, we have a new position created, and we are presenting to you the job description made, for assembly to take a look, if you see anything, pause me.

Responsibilities modeled after res hall senator, tailored it to theme house with the leadership team.

#### *Responsibilities*

A. *Effectively maintaining and managing the theme house budget, while consulting with other members of the leadership team to decide how the money should be spent.*

B. *Providing information to theme house residents as to the events, policies, and issues currently affecting the students (as well as faculty, staff, administration), through weekly newsletters, and also monthly meetings, door-to-door visits, etc., when necessary.*

C. *Keeping two regular hours attending theme houses programs per week, which can be spent participating and/or running the house program, asking residents for input on an issue, etc.*

D. *Become well informed on and discover the rationale behind the policies and procedures that govern the university to insure that student issues, needs, and concerns are being addressed, in areas such as: registrar's operation, financial aid policies, educational review board, campus renovations, intercultural relations, tuition increases, room and board rates, etc.*

#### *Representing Whitworth students*

A. *Actively soliciting opinions from students in the theme houses through constituency reports (on an as-needed basis) regarding the current issues, problem and concerns that affect Theme House students on and off campus and in the community and provide weekly feedback to ASWU, faculty, staff and the administration as to the content of these issues and concerns.*

B. *Insuring that all constituencies of the theme house student population (transfer, nontraditional, minority, physically impaired students, etc.) are well represented and informed.*

#### *Integrating efforts with other leaders*

A. *Working in conjunction with theme house RA's to coordinate the traditional events of the constituency. (i.e hall sweatshirts, Mac Hall in Concert, Stewart Lawn Dance, Arend's Spring Dance, Warren Peace, etc.)*

B. *Contributing to the general programming needs of the theme house*

leadership team and general community, which includes coordination of the programs listed above, actively assisting another leaders on at least one other program per semester, and regularly attending the programs put on by the RA's/ students.

C. Supporting your RA team as well as other ASWU Assembly members in their cross-campus programming needs by attending said events.

Making the following arrangements:

A. Attend all ASWU Assembly weekly meetings, or make sure a proxy is sent as a replacement. If a proxy is sent, make sure they are adequately educated on necessary information to participate in the meeting. Attend all ASWU committee activities and meetings as assigned by the ASWU executives.

B. Enroll in fall and spring GE 330 (leadership class).

C. Attend the spring leadership retreat and fall leadership retreat (as requested by your RD) which begins approximately one week before the commencement of the fall semester.

D. Be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student at Whitworth University, carrying at least twelve (12) credits per semester.

E. Have manageable outside commitments. It is the belief of ASWU that an effective senator should not be over-committed with other jobs or activities.

Qualifications:

A. Good communication skills including: being able to run a meeting with both large and small groups, being a good listener to those you are providing service, the ability to understand, integrate, and report back the ideas and concerns of constituents to the president and or assembly, the ability to sell ideas, programs and involvement opportunities to students, and being able to write clearly, and with a flair that makes newsletters, posters, and announcements eye-catching and interesting.

B. Ability to relate to all members of a diverse student population.

C. Great organizational and time management skills.

D. A true desire and ability to keep residents involved and informed on a weekly basis.

E. Ability to work in a group with other leaders.

F. Ability to motivate, delegate to and follow up with residents on committees and task forces.

G. Marked interest in the policies, procedures and operation of ASWU and Whitworth University, and in the Whitworth and Spokane communities as a whole.

*H. Self-motivation; able to do work without direct supervision.*

*I. Extreme responsibility, accountability, and reliability in working towards the completion of job responsibilities.*

**Rohini:** That's not the right ensure. Change to insure.

**Andrews:** thanks for catching that.

**James:** BMac in concertium, not just Mac Hall.

Various capitals, periods. It's a class. Follow leadership training before commencement, etc.

**Jason:** make sure that they are required to attend leadership training as well.

**Andrews:** Comments or concerns?

**Amber:** Thought we had to approve?

**Jason:** not at the moment, this was to show. No motion needed.

## **New Job Descriptions | Club Coordinator**

**Chelsea:** Made job description from mine, so we went thru FVP, and pulled word by word and line by line, won't read all of it. You can read it as well. be formatted, just typed it.

**Abdul:** So this is everything from FVP?

**Chelsea:** FVP split in half, half of my stuff was regarding the clubs, and half is on financial. All this is taken out from FVP.

**Jason:** b, remove first and second ands, and add commas.

**Utsal:** Is there a discussion on hours, are the hours reduced?

**Jason:** We will talk about it during budget committee, and decide then.

**Jason:** take out "accounting", leave procedures instead, so it's more encompassing. We don't need a vote on this, this is just to show.

## **Service Projects**

**Andrews:** Reminder for reps, it's part of job description, start thinking about that. We can brainstorm together, talk to me if you need help.

**Chris:** I'm in talks to set up service project, if any of you want to add to this, contact me.

## **Results of Vote**

Held vote, passed. Next step is taking changes and putting into effect. Changes were media are independent, clarified language, GER, Club Coord, and Theme House Senator as new positions.

## **Student Highlight**

This one is for the Women's Lacrosse Team, they have their first ever game tomorrow 3:00PM in Pine Bowl, with free hot chocolate.

## **President Updates**

### **Black History Month Celebration**

We'll have potluck cooking from around the world, in celebration of end of black history month, and show it goes on. We will have mac and cheese by Jira, cabbage with and no meat, vegetarian friendly, and have UMOJA helping us out. Join us as we celebrate cultures, and show that black history month can't be made without allies. Coming together is an important part.

**Jose:** Here tomorrow, MPR?

**Teri:** Yes, from 12 to 2PM. So you can eat up and go to Lacrosse game.

### **Women's Month Inspiration Nominees**

So I will send out a google form, where you will be able to write professor's or staff's name, and we here will post their picture, and something nice said about them, around Lied Square. Encourage people to nominate and give a shoutout to inspirational women around campus.

## **By Laws Article VI**

**Cat:** won't read all of it, but the main changes to note are that one, to keep consistency with wording from constitution, we've added that candidates who are interested must be in good academic and disciplinary standing with the University. Second, regarding the majority vote, we just clarified, so that again, it follows the Constitution changes we just ratified, that constitutional amendments and ratifications have to pass with a  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority instead of just majority. Also, we changed a section saying ASWU would provide a computer for elections, instead now saying just equipment, because we do iPads. Also, we want to look into the future, and make this as open and easy to use for the next couple of years. Questions?

**Erik:** This is just a note for the future, when we are sorting through documents like this, to be aware of pronouns and how we use and address those. So instead of saying and directing "he/she", keep it to "they". Didn't see it on this, but just a good note for the future.

**Cat:** I agree, thank you for saying that, we do have to be inclusive with the language that will be used for next generations in ASWU, and outside.

Also, there needs to be an Assembly vote on this today, to approve the changes, if all good.

**Katie R:** motion to approve the By Laws changes.

**Lizzy:** Second.

**Motion to approve By-Laws Article VI Election changes.**

**Approved:** 16

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstained:** 0

***Motion passed.***

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Diversity Monologues**

**Utal:** Diversity Monologues will be happening March 12th, 7PM in Cowles Auditorium.

### **Wasted Project + Nature Open Mic**

**Cat:** Imagine I'm Morgan. Nature Open Mic will be March 7th, 7:30-9:30PM, in Mind & Hearth. She'll have coffee, cookies, and have people share poetry and short stories, details are in the poster. Also, from March 6-April 14th, the Wasted Project will be open for students to sign up. It is a challenge, so every day, people are encouraged to try and change something in their routine to reduce their waste and carbon footprint. Really cool, link will be sent out.

### **Awkward Middle School Dance**

**Katie R:** This Friday! Senators, will send out a media poster right now, post it in social media page for your res hall. You should come, we will play One Direction, Justin Bieber, and a resident made a painted poster of Axe Body Spray. Come!

**Katie L:** thanks Katie!

### **Off Campus Rollerskate**

**Lizzy:** We are planning the Off Campus Chiefs Game, starts at 7PM, meet at Spokane Arena, if you buy now, ticket is \$8 dollars before Monday, and after then, \$10 dollars.

You have to sign in for shuttle, we will have Lyft codes to the first 100 people, as well.

## **Unplugged**

**Abdul:** Will be happening 7pm in Dining Hall, last day to sign up is March 8th, please let your residents know on time. Many don't know about it, and I hear it after the event. I will have posters in your mailbox there. This has contact and everything on it.

**Andrews:** will you be holding auditions for this?

**Abdul:** no, no auditions.

## **Harry Potter Trivia Night**

**Rohini:** March 8th at 8pm in dining hall, we'll have butterbeer, and polyjuice potion, it'll be fun.

**Sarah:** is this a team event?

**Jose:** will you have to sign up?

**Rohini:** no, I'm not regulating people.

## **Constituency Reports**

### **Ballard**

**Katie R:** So Ballard is good, Awkward Middle School dance right now. CBS rat new quiet hours not normal, but needed, our RD waking up early, come hang out.

### **Arend**

**Lauren:** Arend is good, still working on pool, we're having a lock-in March 8th. Sorry but yall cant come!

### **Oliver**

**Emily:** All cool in Oliver, currently organizing Assassins Game event.

### **GER**

**Karen:** international students are good.  
Still having weekly meetings, cool, no new updates.

## **Off-Campus**

**Lizzy:** Off campus is cool, slipping around in snow, all good. We're trying to organize the Chiefs game, working on roller skate event after.

## **BJ**

**Katie L:** BJ is good, nothing new since last week. Thank you.

## **Mac**

**James:** Had CBS meeting, no longer quiet hours, only 24 hr consideration. Every year, there's a kid who shaves his head, for awkward middle school dance, last year was avatar airbender theme. Lots of fun.

## **Boppell**

**Sarah:** Hole is back in ceiling, heating and leaking issue. Don't open windows, will let cold in.

Boppell in works of planning event in March, early April, in progress, Stewbop will have a small SmashBros tournament, Almat and I are working together to see that.

I forgot my other update. Not important.

Remembered, now--had some hooligans who came to change quiet hours, they were the only ones so they technically exercised their power, however, they said quiet hours would be 11:01 PM-3:00am, with a minute of non quiet there. And then 3:00-7:01am. It's their right, voted on it.

## **Stewart**

**Almat:** this is awkward, we had our CBS meeting, they wanted to only do 1 minute of quiet hour, but didn't pass. All good.

## **Warren**

**Jose:** I cannot remember... the whiteboard, waiting on facilities, what is it called. WILL keep trying, need to answer. Other than that, good, CBS meeting changed to 30 min earlier, and also changed consequence, so now on the 3rd time, instead of \$25, bake cookies for leadership and 2 hours of community service.

## **Duvall**

**David:** Not much, CBS meeting last night, some things changed. That's all.

## **Campus Vibes**

**Jason:** don't forget to submit and encourage to submit your coordinator positions, we want the maximum number of applicants, and can always use more, so pass the cards.

### **Shout outs**

**Jira:** all those who helped at my event today, thank you, it was successful.

**Chelsea:** to all the senators and representatives, who seem burned-out.

**Chris:** to the execs, you looked all burnout. Andrews, especially.

**Talya:** To Rachelle, because she is abandoning us, leaving to the Chapel.

**Chelsea:** Emphasize that, ABANDONMENT.

**Katie L:** I move to adjourn.

**James:** Second.

Meeting adjourned 6:10 PM.