

We, the Associated Students of Whitworth University, are committed to promoting holistic growth, safety, well-being, and a united fellowship. We shall serve and advocate for the diverse voices of our student body justly and with compassion, establishing an equitable community through grace, respect, and intentional engagement.

2020-21 ASWU Meeting Minutes | November 18th, 2020

In Attendance:

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Parker Daniels President	present
Hannah Higgins Exec. Vice President	present
Faizzan UI Haq Financial Vice President	present
Jorge Medina Exec. Admin. Assistant	present
Emily Clemons Campus Activities Coordinator	present
Lauren Lorenz Sports Events Coordinator	present
John Haberlin Sustainability Coordinator	absent
Katie Ludlam Senior Class Coordinator	present
Aeron Sugui Marketing/PR Coordinator	present
Sam Henson Special Events Coordinator	present
Rachel Ayres Spiritual Life Coordinator	present
Esther Brown Cultural Events Coordinator	present
Katie Rose Club Coordinator	present
Emma John Arend Senator	proxy
McClain Chandler Baldwin-Jenkins Senator	present
Olivia Fowler Oliver Senator	present
Jaedon Tesarik McMillan Senator	present
Meghan Duarte Ballard Senator	present
Jed Young Boppell and Village Senator	present
Tim Leslie Stewart Senator	present
Xavier Nila Duvall Senator	present

Isaac Price Warren Senator	present
David Martin Off-Campus Senator	present
Michael Lie Global Engagement Rep	present
Georgia Goff Incoming Student Rep	present
Christian Aguilar Incoming Student Rep	present
Christine Chen Off-Campus rep	present
Jamie Copeland Off-Campus rep	present
Munya Fashu-kanu Off-Campus rep	present
Michael Bedford Off-Campus rep	present
Victoria Viloudaki WhitFlex rep	present

Meeting brought to order at 5:00 PM. Mission Statement read by Michael B.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Tim, Seconded by Olivia

In favor: 18 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining 0

Motion passes

Club Updates

USITT (United States Institute for Theatre Technology)

Anna: We have had a few meetings at the beginning of the year and goal was to create a show where each person took different technical elements and tell a story but there was not enough interest to create a full show for this year. We are still going through the elements and creating scale models of our designs and have a walk through.

Katie: is there a national organization you are affiliated with?

Anna: Yes, there is a convention where we can connect with leaders in the industry and so this organization is about bringing people together and building a community. There is usually a conference every year. Contact asteere23@my.whitworth.edu for more info.

Speaker Request

Destiny Herndon de la Rosa

Katie Rose: Students for life is working hard to create dialogue on campus and want to feature Destiny Herndon de la Rosa who is a feminist and pro-life activist. They hope that the Q&A after the speaker would allow people to get to see each other's perspective and promote dialogue.

Victoria: How will it be presented?

Jed: In club charter I discussed that we asked the question if we can have a conservative feminist and think it would be interesting to hear her argument on these political issues

Olivia: what are rules for people to gather in RTT especially with the surge in cases?

Katie R: We have been telling clubs that they cannot have more than 30 people in person and that is within room capacity of RTT and we do not know how many people are interested.

Motion by Tim, Seconded by David In favor: 18 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining 0

Motion passes

President Updates

Parker: At University council there was talk about recent shutdown but only a third of theme houses are full and for contingency plans we have plans where people would not immediately get kicked out. Off campus numbers are significantly higher but none have been traced to classrooms. Also discussed the idea of parents coming to town but we have no jurisdiction on that. Neighborhood Greetings is for those that want to greet and maybe have a socially distanced conversation with those in quarantine, email me if interested. The protect me protect us video is finished and should premiere tomorrow at 12 pm.

Jorge: Constitution committee met again last Friday and some of the things that were discussed included the idea of giving off campus reps different duties and making it more of an off-campus team. Also looked at how those in the village are currently being represented.

FVP Updates

Capital: \$17,380

Unallocated: \$ 18,800

Faizzan: Had finance committee meeting with two requisitions. The first one was the Gender equality movement for \$300 and this was approved. The second one was for the International club asking for \$1,000 for International festival and they will be using \$400-600 for video editing and the rest for snacks and they can discuss that more in detail.

International Club: For the budget \$600 would go to the professional editor and the other \$400 would go to snacks for the two rooms that will be open and that will be over 100 students that we are expecting. This year we are not collaborating with Sodexo so we will have to spend more this year and last year we also did not need a video editor.

Victoria: are you going to livestream to everyone?

International Club: It will be streamed to all whitworth students and anyone can attend.

Jaedon: Are there students who would be able to edit the video as well for cheaper?

Katie Rose: Something like this came up in the finance committee but international festival is usually very expensive and because they are not having it in person the cost for the editor is cheaper than what it normally costs.

Esther: There editor I believe is a student and it is a little higher because students turned in the videos late and so that added hours.

Faizzan: The fact that we are using a student changes my perspective since I thought they were using a professional and not a student.

Olivia: in the email it said it was capital and I wanted to double check, and is there a way to ask if it's a student or professional doing the editing?

Faizzan: They didn't know it was unallocated.

Tim: based off what I've heard the video has already been edited and there is already a price tag so I don't know what else can be done which I do think should be approved.

Esther: I just checked with the editor and it is Lauren who was recommended by the whitworth communications department and so that is why they considered it professional.

Katie Rose: Lauren is really good, but Tim does bring up a good point that the video is probably already edited but when they were speaking they didn't have an exact price and so I would like to know exactly how much they are paying for the video. And in the past clubs have overspent on food and had lots of leftovers and so I'm worried if they might spend too much money on food.

Jason: With Lauren she can only be paid 13.50 an hour but the hours are not set since she still had to help with the pre running of it and for the actual event for troubleshooting, so they don't have all the hours yet.

Esther: They said the original amount was \$300 for the beginning event but there is a lot more that goes into it.

Faizzan: One thing I forgot to mention before is that those in the committee with me were specific about our questions and they never told us it was a student. Also, in the meeting they started with \$400 and then raised it depending on the hours she worked, and you all have the opportunity to change the amount that you approve.

Jaedon: I feel that paying that much money to Lauren seems like a lot and I would like to lower everything personally.

Jed: If we tabled this is it possible that they could get this reimbursed or do they need it now?

Jason: we can't do reimbursement for student wages.

Olivia: There event is in a few days and with the video already edited and prices set it seems there's not much to do.

Tim: I wanted to bring up the discussion that even setting aside the video can we specify about the amount spent on food?

Katie R: When they came to committee I asked, and they had estimated about \$20 per person for food and this requisition for food would be in addition to what they already have in their budget. And I think today we should give them some amount of money because otherwise they'd only have \$300 to feed over 100 people.

Jaedon: I was thinking \$20 per person is a lot for an event where dinner doesn't need to be provided but I agree we should approve something even if we pay them the money for Lauren.

Esther: I think that it shouldn't be debated on paying Lauren since they've already negotiated everything with her, and this is a really big event and we should be talking about the food because we don't know how many people are actually going to show up.

Emily: We are not too tight on money anyways, and I do think Lauren should be paid for her full work and this is one of the biggest events of the year.

Olivia: I agree with Emily but also agree with Katie about the fact that lots of people do overestimate on snacks and food. I'm trying to figure out what they might have planned and if \$15 might be too much for a snack.

Faizzan: we did ask them at the meeting, and they said they wanted \$20 per person but that was too much and so they were guessing but we should pay Lauren for the work she's already done but with snacks I do have a concern.

Tim: Ran some quick math and for 100 people and that's \$1200 so if we give them \$300 in addition to their current budget should be enough.

Jaedon: I wanted to address that it is less expensive this year, but I don't think that because we have extra money, we should spend frivolously I think we should save money.

Esther: They said they want to have goodie bags for each person and in each bag have 5 snacks. The range \$400-\$600 overtime because of late videos and more things to do in the future when event is going live.

Katie Rose: my recommendation is that because the requisition was for editor and food so my recommendation is that we approve a figure like \$700 and whatever that with their budget doesn't cover they can request a reimbursement.

Olivia: I think \$700 is a little higher but I think they should have enough money for food.

Tim: the \$900 they have is set aside for food but the reason I got to \$700 is because it allocates the \$400 for Lauren and they get another \$300 for snacks in addition to their \$900.

Tim makes motion to approve the requisition for \$700. Jed seconds In favor: 12 | Opposed: 5 | Abstaining 1 Motion Passes

EVP Updates

Hannah: I do have meal cards for members. Representatives I sent out an email talking about accountability so please read over that email and the thanksgiving poll is active now and I sent all senators a qr code and link to that poll. We are having a closed group get together on Saturday the 28th and the constituency feedback report closes Nov. 29th. I would still like sweatshirt updates. Our student highlight is Esther Brown who is doing an amazing job with Cultural awareness week!!

Upcoming Events:

Stewart Pool Tournament:

Tim: Pool tournament is going well and people are signing up. Bought food and wipes and hand sanitizer and it is this Saturday.

Unplugged:

Sam: The due date is November 27th to sign up to perform and you can send those clips to me. The actual event will be on December 4th. This year we are ordering custom mugs with hot chocolate mixes in them for those that watch.

Sock Drive:

Georgia: It was originally today but we are still figuring out a few details and senators we will probably be asking for your help and give you baskets to fill up. Stay tuned for more details.

Christian: If you have a container that senators could already use let us know.

Thanksgiving Events:

Jason: We have been asked to provide events during break, so we planned two. One on November 27th hosting a teleparty and we will have trivia and prizes and starting Monday they can vote which movies they want to see. On the 28th at 8 pm doing a virtual escape room called dead lift and have limited spaces for that event and people have to sign up through HFS.

Constituency Reports

Stewart

Tim: Epic as always and completely done with sweatshirts. Pool tournament upcoming.

McMillan

Jaedon: Sweatshirts have deadline of Saturday and Mac has been playing game called Polytopia and has been fun.

Off Campus

David: Were looking at ways to change the way off campus reps do their jobs and the discussion was about possibilities but started test running that and delegated different tasks to the off-campus reps and Victoria but I think that would be beneficial. Also have discord channel underway.

Michael: I have had tons of success with MAC Minecraft server, so we have wanted to start an off-campus Minecraft server. For senators it would be great to get some feedback from residents and I could start working on this.

Ballard

Meghan: Ballard is great sweatshirt update same as MAC.

Oliver

Olivia: Was supposed to hear back about sweatshirts but haven't so I will contact them. Isolation numbers are bad in Oliver so I will encourage masks and social distancing.

Boppell

Jed: Boppell is boppin, sweatshirts are coming along and planning on doing a movie night in December.

Arend

Emma: Arend is good, just decorated for Christmas, first week no one in leadership has been quarantined.

Duvall

Xavier: Duvall is doing well on my recent survey more people feeling happy and still working on a game night.

Warren

Isaac: Warren is doing good, also lots of people in my hall have been going into quarantine and lots of residents want a ping pong tournament.

Baldwin Jenkins

Mac: BJ is poppin off, sweatshirts need design details figured out and hope to be done Friday. Decorations for Christmas are now up.

Global Engagement Rep

Michael L: International students not doing as well since lots of them are in quarantine and the student who lost his passport got it back.

Whitflex rep

Victoria: Everyone is doing fine ready for thanksgiving break and my constituents are excited to come back.

Incoming Student Rep

Georgia: Incoming students doing pretty good and everyone is just hanging on this semester and hoping the sock drive lifts people's spirits.

Campus Vibes

Olivia: I want to point out whitworth grounds fixed pirate cove seating

Parker: heads up you should all stop by the Hub between 10:30-12.

Esther: There is still four more events this week for cultural awareness week.

Rachel: Quick update of the summer fellowship program and the deadline is Dec. 1st.

Jaedon: Grounds is putting up on lights on the tree tomorrow morning.

Olivia: Bring awareness to ensure everyone is wearing masks and keep safe.

Hannah: Make sure if you know someone in quarantine during break make sure to reach out to them.

Katie Rose: If you know anybody who's leaving campus and not coming back give them a goodbye and it can be stressful for them.

Shout outs

Christian: First to Georgia the best partner I could ask for, and to Esther for being our informant while figuring out the requisition and filling us in.

Jed: Emily for DIY night last Friday.

Hannah: Shoutout to Gracey Jo for being a proxy.

Michael Lie: To Jason and Esther for cultural awareness week

Christine: Michael L and Xavier for reading poems at Poetry Slam and to Esther.

Michael B. shoutout to my BOB Olivia who is in quarantine again.

Hannah: Jorge for all this typing who is doing this from home.

Adjourn Meeting

Motion by Tim, Seconded by Olivia

In Favor: 18 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining: 0

Motion Passes

Meeting adjourned: 6:30