



We, the Associated Students of Whitworth University, strive to provide advocacy, a sense of belonging, and communication through grace and a holistic approach.

Our members aim to represent the diverse student body and collaborate to produce an environment rich in unity, optimism, and civil discourse; while also empowering students to be their authentic selves.

2022-23 ASWU Meeting Minutes | November 9th, 2022

Executive Members:

Georgia Goff President	PRESENT
Christian Aguilar Vice President	PRESENT
Michael Stavridis Financial Director	PRESENT
Urvashi Lalwani Communications Director	PRESENT

Coordinators:

Grace Johnson Campus Activities Coordinator	PRESENT
Jamie Gassman Club Coordinator	PRESENT
Jessica Lopez-Ramirez Cultural Events Coordinator	PRESENT
Micah Cunningham Spiritual Life Coordinator	PRESENT
Haley Horsburgh Sustainability Coordinator	PRESENT
Larkin Dean Traditional Events Coordinator	PRESENT

Senators:

Samie Schaffer Arend Senator	PRESENT
Sierra Baldwin Jenkins	PRESENT
Kenzie Quinn Ballard Senator	PRESENT
Katelynn Diaz Boppell Senator	PRESENT
Katie Chilcote Duvall Senator	PRESENT
Niraj Pandey International Student Senator	PRESENT
Lucien Dallabetta McMillan Senator	PRESENT

Reeshika Sharma Off-Campus Senator	PRESENT
Lotanna Akukwe Oliver Senator	PRESENT
Ava Dennis Warren Senator	PROXY

Representatives:

Gio Coronador Incoming Student Representative	PRESENT
Sydney Lum Incoming Student Representative	PRESENT
Maleah Robles Neighborhoods Representative	PRESENT
Bobbi Jo Crittenden Off-Campus Representative	PRESENT.
Josh Siemens Off-Campus Representative	PRESENT
Grace Stiger Off-Campus Representative	PRESENT
Nick Yochum Off-Campus Representative	PRESENT

Meeting brought to order at 17.02

Mission statement read by Kenzie

Approval Of Minutes from Oct 26th:

Motion to Approve by Kenzie

Seconded by Katie

Motion to table minutes until next wednesday by Nick.

Seconded by Katie

Favor: 17 | Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Guest Speaker

Claire Booth:

I am Claire, I work for the office of sustainability. We lead 3 sustainable teams, one for Spokane resiliency academy, a crash course in what Spokane and Washington are doing about sustainability and how we can get involved. We end up feeling defeated, since about 1028, is to equip you to be sustainable. You have influence on campus and this academy gives you the opportunity. Once a week commitment, super flexible attendance policy, we ask you to attend about 6 sessions. . We will go throughout the spring semester, Jan through april. Meet downtown. We talk about sustainability in Spokane, next week we will have topics about jobs in this area, waste reduction, urban development, and the week after we will do water conservation, you get to meet cool people. You are learning more which is surprisingly large. We provided a donation last year and we offer people BIPOC part of the community 500 who decide to participate. We had an incredible donation this year. You can say you want to be part of this.

Thank you!

CLUB UPDATE:

PFAH:

Olivia: We work with the food pantry on campus, we want to keep it organized, we want to start this club to have this club to continue this program. We will partner with Jason.

Haley: Is the main goal to manage the food pantries?

Olivia: Yes

Georgia: Are you planning events?

Olivia: Yes, we will have food drives in the future so we don't have to buy food with the funds we had, we are out of funds as of now.

Women rock:

Anna: My club is a gender inclusive climber club that uplifts the underrepresented climbing. Weekly clubs on Friday nights we start out by basic climbing, balleying and we will move into free climbing time and encourage climbers. Instead of having to wait to know more than them, it's a mentorship based teaching style and what we're gonna do . We want to continue the cycle of mentorship.

Jessica: Any supplies needed? And are there fees?

Anna: All equipment is available at the Urec and climbers fund at the front desk at the Urec.

Georgia: Have you talked to the URec about this?

Anna: This is going beyond the gals and pals climbing night and this will be a continuation of it.

Nick: Will it become a part of the club?

Anna: We have been dealing with equality issues, we want to bring a culture to bring change.

Jessica: Do you mind elaborating on the culture?

Anna: That is a longer conversation . We have noticed that opportunities are given to one group of people; they aren't equitable. This club is the best way we found to create change.

CLUB VOTE:

Christian: Jason and the Exec team had a question about the practice of someone involved who can stay during the discussion to make it more equitable towards the group. Once we have a motion to vote they will be asked to leave.

Motion to Approve: Katie

Seconded: Sydney

Favor: 1 | Opposed | 0 | Abstaining 1

CLUB UPDATES

AT CLUB:

Adia: VIDEO

CHAOS CLUB:

Alex: I am the co-president with Rachel bender, Chemistry and other sciences club. This is made for inclusivity in the sciences. It had a one year gap where no one was doing it and during those 2 years we got the club more out together, we have some senior representatives. We have more qualified reps. We have had 1 meeting at halloween and a costume competition. We will have a meeting on dec 1 and a finals week destress, we made stress balls out of cornstarch. It's Not just for chemistry people, everyone is welcomed.

Katie: What's a good contact?

Alex: My email,

Georgia: How many people

Alex: 10 to how many ever come to get pizza.

Jamie: Can ASWU do anything to support you?

Alex: Nothing as of now, we're doing better this year.

Speaker Proposal

Students for Life:

Grace: She is requesting a speaker for a tabling event and she is the executive. The event would be a tabling event and telling students about It's a local organizations and they would free pregnancy and STD testing Nov 21, 11am-1pm Tabling in the HUB.

Representatives include Glendie Executive Director, Olivia Gilbert Outreach Coordinator and one of their registered nurses. Description of event: Life Services is a local pregnancy resource center that exists to help women facing unplanned pregnancies. Life Services would discuss the various services that they

offer. Services that they offer include free pregnancy and STD testing, maternity home, care for after pregnancy, a fatherhood program and more.

Christian: When?

Grace: Nov 21, 11-1 pm.

Jessica: What is she providing?

Grace: I assume they will have handouts.

Kenzie: I have heard this person speak, she is amazing. The org that she is running is a cool place, I have looked into it for my step sister.

Jamie: It seems to be a positive organization. They care for all.

Urvashi: In the past, when there have been pro-life tabling events, they have had life sized embryos and dolls like that, it has made my residents and myself uncomfortable , speaking as an RA for the past 2 years?

Grace: Not sure, I can let them know!

Nick: Is it going to be her there? Or more people?

Grace: There might be more people involved in helping.

Grace: Will Sarah be here next week?

Grace: I will make sure to see if she can come if not.

Financial Director Updates

Finance Committee & Account Totals

Michael: Unallocated : \$15,375 | Capital: \$14,500.

We met this monday and gave \$500 from unallocated to 2 students who went to attend the Afrotech stem focused conference. We approved to support their travel expenses. Our next meeting will be on the 21st November.

President Updates:

NACA: National Association for Campus Activities

Georgia: This is essentially an org that provides various collegiate groups , we go to hear from a few talent agencies and we can choose who we want to come to campus, to also create relationships with other universities.

Grace: We got to see performers and comedians and different booths and feel inspired by their ideas and built some connections. I can talk about specifics.

Larkin: It was a huge school and was really fun and interactive.

Sydney: I got to sit in on 2 affinity groups for students of color and LGBTQ . It was a good experience connecting with leaders.

Kenzie: I have videos from NACA, I also sat on affinity groups about first gen students, how we can impact our institutions. NACA is super cool

Georgia: We found a few people we are looking into for future events.

Workroom:

Georgia: It is spick and span, Jamie cleaned. We are going to be assigning a pair of people each week and they would be expected to clean the workroom. If anyone wants to volunteer you can let me know but we will assign you a week otherwise.

Constitution Amendment

Georgia: Execs and I wanted to propose an amendment to the constitution. We looked at article 8, for VP and finance director, if the office is vacated. It would be beneficial to switch it from ASWU elected members to all ASWU employees. After we vote here, the student body will vote.

Katie: Would this include room for ASWU employees?Is the pool for selection changing?

Georgia: Yes, it will be all ASWU employees.

Nick: If you have to be appointed from that pool, does the student body approve that new person?

Georgia: No the exec team and Jason.

Katie: If a senator were to fill this? Will There be a replacement? Would we have to move somewhere else?

Georgia: Yes, someone else from the building. No, you wouldn't have to move.

Lotanna: If we are able to move off campus if a senator decides to take on this role?

Jason: You should be able to, not sure.

Niraj: How will the student body vote?

Georgia: Next week we will vote, if it will be sent out to the student body by tabling and using the HFS app.

Vice President Updates:

MEAL CARDS:

Christian: Come grab meal cards from me at the end of our meeting. We get dinner together as ASWU after the meeting.

Res Hall Sweatshirts:

Christian: If you are a senator, A piece of advice is if you are using custom ink, it will ask for approx. Make sure you are putting in less than you think you will need.

Newsletters

Christian: If you are making it on canva, send me the link to make it easier. For new members, I have pronoun stickers for your name tags.

Event evaluation:

We can be doing this better by evaluating our events. We have a document in our binder, leaving good notes for people taking our positions in the future years.

Student Highlight

Christian: Carson Woods, he was a huge help to Katie in Fenton's. He has been phenomenal as a leader.

Past Events:

FENTONS:

Katie: I think i was blessed, nothing went wrong, I had fantastic helpers, I want to say 100 people went to the event and 75 people signed the Fentons book. I don't know the budget for the event yet.

Grace: I wasn't at fentons but congrats on putting on this event! Good job!

Bobbi Jo: I think it went smoothly, you knew what you were doing. Good job on planning.

Christian: I am blessed to Katie. How can we advertise in a creative way about the speakeasy theme? So many people dressed up,

Larkin: I planned that event last year, it looked fun this year, Good job.

Georgia: I went for a bit after NACA, I am proud of you.

Lotanna: I want to say you did so well, you had everything planned out. During the event it was so much fun, the music and everything was fun.

UPCOMING:

CRAFT AND RELAX:

Grace: Next Thursday, Nov 17th.8PM In the MPR, we are getting bundt cake, craft, cake night to destress and late night. Come out relax and have a good time.

DIWALI:

Jessica: Nov 11, Friday 7-10pm. I would love to see you there and if you can spread the word and repost the instagram. Say hi when we are tabling, free food from the mango tree. Fun traditional activities. A professor is giving extra credits.

BALLARD TEA:

Kenzie: Nov 11th from 8-10 in the Chapel, lowkey event, there's going to be snacks and tea, hot chocolate, hot cider, chocolate fountain with snacks. Jamie is performing. bring your own mug. I am singing but if you want to participate. If you have access to the QR code you can sign up. I invited the swing and ballroom club who will teach us to dance ball.

PIRATE MANIA:

Larkin: Nov 14th at 8 pm, Monday at the fieldhouse. Fall and winter sports will be celebrated, raffle prizes. Pepsi is sponsoring free t-shirts and food.

OFF CAMPUS MOVIE NIGHT:

Reeshika: Nov 10th 5 pm MPR- TOP GUN MAVERICK. Prizes include: Airfryer, coffee machine, speaker and candy

OLIVER TWIST:

Lotanna: 1st event , glow dance party with black light, 19th nov, next week sat, all students, dress code, white or fluorescent.

Constituency Reports:

Boppell:

Proxy: Boppell is doing well. I've heard some positive remarks about the snow and some negative. The vibe in Boppell has been positive. I haven't heard any complaints from the residents in Boppell at all this year so that's fantastic being this far into the semester. I have come up with new ideas for my office hours being that Boppell residents don't seem to come to it. The printer is out of paper for the first or second time this year. So everything has been great :)

Duvall:

Katie: Duvall is very happy, we are still tired of course Fentons was a huge success! And we are still coming off the high from that. It is the plan to change office hours from 7-9 Tuesday to 7-9 Monday

Oliver:

Lotanna: Oliver will be holding its first official event of the year known as Oliver Twist. It's a glow dance party with blacklight. There's going to be lots of fun, good music, snacks, drinks and Glow face art. This event will be held on the 19th of November, next week Saturday and it is open to all the students of Whitworth. The dress code is White or any fluorescent shades.

BJ:

PROXY: Hey y'all! BJ is lively this week. It has also been described as a war zone, although I'm hopeful that that is only due to the recent increase in nerf gun wars. We have been having some fun this week with the snow and inside. Some people did a BJ version of the BMAC snow run, and with a joint effort, we have almost maxed out a Mario kart profile on our Wii. Overall, we have been enjoying the snow and each other! Now what you all have been waiting for, the update on the ketchup situation... BJ approves of the ketchup packets! I have heard that it is wayyy better than the bowl of ketchup and that it makes my constituents quite happy to know they are consuming clean ketchup. Sorry I couldn't be here tonight, I shall see you all next week!

Arend:

Samie: It has been a pretty chill week in Arend! We just got our heaters turned on, so my constituents are excited to have warm rooms again. We've had a lot of people studying in the Fishbowl and many late night snack making in the kitchen. Additionally, a lot of our residents are experiencing snow for the first time, and are still trying to figure out how to stay warm on their way to class! Other than that, we're doing pretty good and are trying not to let burnout hit too hard!

Off-campus Senator:

Reeshika: We are doing great because we have an event tomorrow at 5 pm in MPR. I should see you all there or there will be some issues. and follow our Instagram page @whitworthoffcampus.

Warren

Ava: I think the cold weather has affected some of the daily routines of my constituents. The other day one of the RA's had stress balls being made with balloons and flour which got a lot of people together. It was fun seeing people still coming to prime time activities.

McMillan:

Lucien.: McMillan Hall is doing well, as usual. Ballard Tea is coming up this weekend and BMAC Thanksgiving is right over the horizon as well. The community feels as close knit as always, but exhaustion from the constant grind is also feeling pretty evidence in constituents. The weekly events keep on keeping on, however, with Milk and Cookies, OPT and Quad Movie Nights seeing consistently numerous attendees. As usual, Milk and Cookies is tonight at 11PM in Mac 2nd and Ballard Tea is this Friday at 8PM as well.

Ballard

Kenzie: Ballard is doing well, we are getting very very excited for Ballard Tea which is on Friday. We also are looking forward to our thanksgiving event, and Thanksgiving break. A lot of us are adapting to the cold weather. We had our annual snow run this week, and had a solid 5 or 6 Ballardians participate, which was amazing.

Neighborhood:

Maleah: The neighborhood is doing good. There was a house event over the weekend, which had a great turn out. We are all super cold and trying our best to not slip on the sidewalk on our way to classes. Now, I need to talk to the AC to discuss the ideas for a winter event.

International Senator:

Niraj: The international students are cold, and some of us are discovering the thin linen jacket we brought from home is not really doing the trick. We're slipping and falling due to the ice but for a lot of us it is our first time seeing snow, and it's absolute bliss. Some of us had exams this week so that's been a little stressful but that's about it.

Incoming Student Representatives:

Gio & Sydney: So, our incoming students are relieved that the stress of midterms is finally off their shoulders, some still have tests that aren't midterms that are still being taken. I've been noticing that a lot of students have been experiencing sickness especially with the snow and the weather getting colder and colder. We are doing our best to recover and get all the work we missed while MIA completed. But as of now all of us are gearing up for registration and are overall excited for another break even though we just finished one not too long ago.

Campus Vibes

Katie: Facilities are taking care of sidewalks. Much more accessible. Kick off big piles of snow.

Gio: Where do I buy ASWU sweatshirts?

Georgia: We will be sending a few options to pick from shortly.

Kenzie: St. John, auditions, it's really cool and badass if you are interested in acting or backstage, go to the theater department.

Hailey: People are talking about broken trees. We can prevent dead trees by shaking them gently so they don't freeze and break off.

Bobbi Jo: Wear your layer, put a hat and gloves on.

Lotanna: I Fest in the RTT, learn about our culture.

Niraj: It's getting cold, certain demographics donate to goodwill, GW, psych club is doing a drive.

Mymy: It's been cute to see everyone bundle up myself included. To reiterate, we need more people for the HOLA club for dance.

Katie: It's cold and sick season, emergency C, D3 and water, tea honey.

Lucien: Joe henson is running, Gruesome play injuries, get tickets.

Kenzie: It's a cool show about 2 friends and their experiences. A few trigger warnings, be informed about this show and go watch too.

Reeshika: To join the Poli sci club contact me or Jamie.

Micah: Tyson is performing tonight at AWAKE, we would appreciate it if people came.

Shoutouts

Michael: To Jamie,

Katie: Jamie, you took so much stress off of me.

Bobbi: Off campus team, come to the event.

Jessica: To people who are eligible to vote and who voted.

Larkin: Incoming student reps,

Lucien: Ballard Tea,, Kenzie

Sierra: Yall are so great ASWU. you get no credit

Gio: To you Christian.

Motion to adjourn: Bobbi Jo

Seconded by: Katie

Favor: 17 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining :0

Meeting adjourned at 6.16
