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2024-25 ASWU Meeting Minutes [02/04/2026]

Executive Members:

[Abby Ruffcorn] President	PRESENT
[Eli Harris] Vice President	PRESENT
[Jasmine Arevalo-Amaya] Financial Director	PRESENT
[Chloe Jane Crandell] Communications Director	PRESENT

Coordinators:

[Michael Barnes] Campus Activities Coordinator	PRESENT
[Gwen Brantner] Club Coordinator	PRESENT
[Vernon Glass] Cultural Events Coordinator	PRESENT
[Avery Hamilton] Senior Class Coordinator	PRESENT
[Jasmine Schmidt] Spiritual Life Coordinator	PRESENT

[Ellie Woods] | School Spirit Coordinator PRESENT

[Aubrey Lathrom] | Traditional Events Coordinator PRESENT

Senators:

[Halle Price] | Arend Senator PRESENT

[Katayanna Glavin] | Ballard Senator PRESENT

[Seth Phillips] | Baldwin-Jenkins Senator PRESENT

[Azalea Vlietstra] | Boppell Senator PRESENT

[Bennett Johnson] | Commuter Student Senator PRESENT

[Grace Reynolds] | Duvall Student Senator PRESENT

[Nina Susin] | International Senator PRESENT

[Kaleb Capellar] | McMillan Senator PRESENT

[Cristian Martinez] | Neighborhoods Senator PRESENT

[Emily Edstrom] | Oliver Senator PRESENT

[Aloisa Morales-Saldana] | StewVille Senator PRESENT

Representatives:

[Isabella Gichole] | Incoming Class Representative PRESENT

[Logan Roy] | Incoming Class Representative PRESENT

[Laney Thomas] | Commuter Student Representative PRESENT

Meeting brought to order at [5:00]

Mission statement read by Vernon

Approval of Minutes

Motioned to approve minutes for 12/3 by Kaleb

Seconded by Halle

Favor: 13 | Oppose: - | Abstain: -

Student Highlight

Eli: Our student highlight this week is Ahmed Amir.

Chloe Jane: Ahmed is a student success coach and was highlighted because he is consistently working well with the students he is coaching, his team, and other people.

ASWU Highlight

Eli: Our ASWU highlight this week is Vernon Glass. Over Jan term Vernon flew out to Olympia and talked with congressmen about some scholarship cuts. We wanted to highlight him doing that cool thing.

What's Up Whitworth

Aubrey: I sent an invite for Casino Night. If you could respond for that asap that would be great. I am also including staff and faculty this year so give me recommendations.

Kaleb: Milk and cookies tonight

Gwen: There is officially a petition to reverse the chalking policy so let me know if you want that.

Club Updates

Business club speaker

Jasmine: I am here to talk about a speaker proposal. We want to bring in Ben Bishop. He is a Whitworth alumni with a bachelor's in business and administration. He is currently the general manager at GBH Distribution. He plans to talk about experience as a Whitworth student in the business program, his career journey from being a Whitworth student to his leadership role now, lessons learned from internships and early career roles, professional challenges, advice for current students on the business path and the value of internships. The meeting is planned for February 24th from 11:30 – 12:30 in the crow's nest.

Gwen: All of the club council meetings are officially scheduled. So please let your friends know if they are club leaders. Club Fair is scheduled for February 25th.

Communications Director Updates

Chloe Jane: The sticker designs that won the competition have been ordered and the person who created both of these designs was Jenna Stokes. So I have let her know that she has won. I also need more people for rebranding committee. I had one person sign up. Thank you Azalea. So please email me if you want to be apart of that.

Bennett: When do you meet?

Chloe Jane: I will figure that out after I get all o my people. That way I can work around their schedules. And then TikTok committee will start meeting next week so everyone who wants to be part of TikTok committee, I will let you know when we will meet after I get everyone's schedules.

Financial Director Updates

Jasmine A.: I need non ASWU members for finance committee. I want diverse members; I don't want to bring in just my friends. It's a great resume builder. I came up with a really great line for last years finance committee people.

Unallocated: \$10,402.72

Capital: \$18,954.66

Vice President Updates

Eli: I still need some more SEC members. I want to present and have the assembly approve my timeline by the 11th.

President Updates

Abby: We have UGM serve day on Mar 7th that is mandatory. It will be in the morning for 2 hours. We finally got our collab with Eastern on the calendar. We will be doing it on mar 14th. This is not mandatory. We will be doing 2 shifts, and it would be super fun if you went. You can choose AM or PM. Safety committee will be meeting next week hopefully. We want to get more security offers hired. I will be meeting wit Tim next week. We had about 300 responses from students last semester. Please email me if you want to be on the committee.

Past Events

Pictionary

Katayanna: It went really good. There wasn't a lot of people. A lot of friends went and some people who I didn't know came.

2026 Bingo Board:

Aloisa: I bought snacks for people and 15 people came. We just chatted and people came in and out throughout the night.

Vision Boards with Emily:

Emily: This was pretty chill. I ended up doing punch cards instead of vision boards. There was like 8 people there. It was very easy to set up.

Flap Jack Fun Facts:

Michael: The event went pretty well. We had less attendance than usual. We had too many pancakes and gave away a lot. People really liked the prizes and the event.

BJ & Arend Pizza Party:

Halle: It was really good. We ran out of pizza really fast. By the first hour we were out of pizza. Isabella came and was able to meet people.

Seth: It was good we had like 26 people show up. We had board games.

Donor Scholarship Night:

Bennett: This was not entirely successful but that was on me. A lot of my constituents are seniors, and they can't fill out the form. I suggest if your constituents are younger, you should take this event.

Arts & Crafts Raffle:

Cristian: I opened my doors to my house and let people come in do arts and crafts. We had like 10 people. I have some of Eli's crafts. It was very chill and fun.

Valentines Day Crafts:

Katayanna: I had a very good attendance, It went way better than I thought. I spent money on jars for people to paint. I had cookie decorating there as well. I made chocolate covered strawberries as well. I had like 25-30 people come. It was really nice and people stayed the whole time,

Kaleb: fantastic event I was there.

Upcoming Events

Super Bowl Watch Party:

Cristian: I am opening up my house for people. We will have Dominoes, Wingstop, and soda, we will have some competitive questions for people. I will give NFL jerseys for the winners.

Super Bowl Watch Party:

Michael: There will be lots of f snacks and it will be in the MPR

Valentines Crafts & Charcuterie:

Emily: We are doing paper flowers for people and will have fondue for people to dip food in. There will also be lego kits for people.

Harlem Renaissance:

Vernon: I am looking forward to this. The first hour is for talking. We're gonna eat Chicken & Moe. Everything after 7pm will be games. After that it will be a little dance party. Just dress fancy.

Gatortines Day:

Halle: It will be a fun little Valentine's Day event. We will have some crafts and cookies. It's my big event but it isn't super hype as it's the beginning of the semester. Hoping to make this a tradition

Fat Tuesday Celebration:

Jasmine S.: This is usually an event practiced in the Catholic Church. This will just be lots of candy, donuts, and cake, come get a snack and celebrate Fat Tuesday.

Constituency Reports

Arend

[Halle]: Arend is starting to settle back into the swing of things. We have four new residents and are excited to get to know them this semester. We are currently working towards getting a Nintendo Switch for the hall, which has our constituents very excited. We are looking forward to Gatortine's Day on the 13th during prime time.

Ballard

[Katayanna]: The first few days of spring term have been very eventful, and very fun. As some of you may know, Ballard finally got their long-anticipated pool table from Warren as it wasn't in use. As expected, it has made Ballard livelier as well as joining Mac and Ballard together as many now play pool together, as well as making the Ballard lounge a place where people now come together. I also had my February event on Monday, and it went very well. Many people stayed for all or most of the prime time, and all my snacks were eaten. Many enjoyed making crafts and joking with friends, meeting various new people. And finally, I am excited for the first milk and cookies of the semester Tonight at 11 p.m.

Baldwin-Jenkins:

[Seth]: As the spring semester has begun here at BJ. Residents were very eager to get back into the swing of things. Other than actually going to classes, that is. Prime times last week were very well attended. My office hours attendance has been up to start the semester, with that I got a few people complaining about the pool table in our lounge. The felt has ripped quite a bit, making it hard to play at times. I told them I'd look into it and get an answer soon. Lastly, the fire alarm went off for the 2nd time this week at 5:45 this morning through a false trigger. Obviously, people weren't too happy. There's always lots going on at BJ but overall, we are settling into this spring semester with plenty ahead to look forward to.

Boppell

[Azalea]: Boppell is back and ready to start off the semester strong. Residents are ready for more prime times and athletic events as spring seasons are now back in action. A request for a ping pong table excites many as we look forward to more engagement and unity this semester!

Commuter Students

[Bennett]: Commuters are doing well as the first full week of spring semester kicks off. They are looking forward to Spring events like Bingo Night and Laney's event handing

out coffee cards! The weather is warming up and we can't wait to see the semester unfold.

Duvall

[Grace]: Duvall is ready for the new semester with everyone getting back into their flow. We are excited for all the upcoming events and to creating even more community within the hall. We are happy to welcome our new CMC and hope she finds a home in Duvall. Overall, we are expecting great things to come out of this semester.

Incoming Class

[Logan]: The Incoming Class is coming off our first Jan term and looking forward to the Spring Semester. Everybody is all registered for their respective majors and still showing up and feeling more apart of the Whitworth community. As a whole the Incoming Class is lively and looking to stay active and not burn out from the energy that came from break.

International Students

[Nina]: International students are still getting back to the rhythm of school. Many just came from visiting home, while others used Jan term to rest. Vibes are really good in the ISC, and students are excited to hang out with each other again.

Lastly, we have welcomed three new international students from Spain, Nigeria, and Afghanistan. So far, they have connected really well with the rest of our community and are adapting well to campus life.

McMillan

[Kaleb]: As Mac Men get settled into their new schedules, the dorm hall is bustling with life once again. Prime times have had high attendance, especially Katayanna's Valentines Decoration Making Primetime. Many people, including me, are excited for the return of Milk and Cookies and Quad Events- the first of which being a Jackbox night. McMillan also received a few decorative changes, with a large banner being placed behind the piano. Many of us also got express permission to retrieve hand-me-down furniture from Warren. This includes a new kitchen table, a few bar tables with chairs, and some couches. Many Mac Men also helped move Warren's old pool table into Ballard, giving the hall a breath of fresh air and a new wave of activity.

Neighborhoods

[Cristian]: We Recently got out of Jan term break but just before that we took some time to come together to snack, watch a Movie and make some arts and crafts at my Jan term event

Now the neighborhoods residents are jumping into this semester excited to be back. House Events are already being planned including my own this Sunday. Other than that we have lots of fun to look forward to this semester with the neighborhoods student newly expanded budget. #shoutoutbudgetcommittee

Oliver

[Emily]: Oliver is starting the spring semester strong and welcoming residents back from their breaks and travels over Jan Term, along with a few new faces. In January, we welcomed Aaron, our new AC, to our leadership team, and we are so excited about having him here and how engaged he has been within our community! Oliver has had a dramatic increase in noise now that our residents are all back, including an intense Nerf War Prime Time last week. Oliver and Boppell are hosting our first spring event in the HUB MPR next week, where anyone can join us to make paper flowers and enjoy chocolate fondue together ahead of Valentine's Day.

Stew-Ville

[Aloisa]: Stewart Hall has been doing well as constituents are all back on campus. In Stewart, we received a ping pong table that everyone uses at least six times a week. That table was a necessity for Stewart as the Hall is not as quiet as it usually is.

Shoutouts

Michael: The hockey game we have is on the 3 day weekend we have.

Gwen: Jubilation is starting classes again. We have classes MWThF. You should come. Also, you should invite Coolwhip to a primetime. The art department need people to draw.

Kaleb: I work at Spokane Civic Theatre. I can get 3 people into a show for free. If you are at all interested in seeing a show let me know.

Todd: Warren will be opening its doors for students in 2026. There will be construction occurring for the next few months.

Katayanna: For being a warren senator is it like what Seth did in the fall?

Eli: We are currently working on that.

Todd: Because it will have a large LWG group along with lots of first years we will need someone to represent them.

Bennett: First you can't see the font on the new ASWU logo. Also, shoutout Laney she is hosting her first event.

Aubrey: Spring fest is officially Apr 30th- May 2nd. We are trying to fill up the weekend so let us know if you want to have an event during that time.

Gwen: The 30th is the honors showcase. I'm sure they would love advertisement for that.

Cristian: I recently accepted a new role as an Athlete rep. I will be adding that role to on top of what I do as a senator.

Vernon: I want to shout out theatre. My roommate invited me to a rehearsal, and it was amazing.

Motioned to adjourn meeting by Kaleb

Seconded by Aloisa

Favor: 14 | Oppose: - | Abstain: -

Meeting adjourned at [5:36]
