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2021-22 ASWU Meeting Minutes | May 4th, 2022

Attendance:

Rachel Ayres President	present
Chris Clay Vice President	present
Abby Douglas Financial Director	present
Grant Hill Communications Director	present
Hannah Sommerville Campus Activities Coordinator	present
Georgia Goff School Spirit Coordinator	present
Tristy Osbon Sustainability Coordinator	present
Aidan Walsh Senior Class Coordinator	present
Aeron Sugui Marketing/PR Coordinator	present
Sienna Buster Traditional Events Coordinator	present
Jenna Breedlove Spiritual Life Coordinator	present
Jessica Lopez-Ramirez Cultural Events Coordinator	present
Jamie Copeland Club Coordinator	absent
Christian Aguilar Outreach Coordinator	present
Grace Johnson Oliver Senator	present
Katelynn Diaz Ballard Senator	late
Adaeze Njoku Boppell Senator	proxy
Larkin Dean Duvall Senator	present
Logan Spencer Warren Senator	present
Samie Schaffer Arend Senator	present
Kyle Marquez Baldwin-Jenkins Senator	present
Reeshika Sharma Off-Campus Senator	late
Michael Lie International Student Senator	absent

Payton Wyatt Neighborhood Senator	late
Gavin Kane McMillan Senator	present
Munya Fashu-Kanu Off Campus Rep	present
Marie Fenske Off Campus Rep	present
Courtney Cossette Off Campus Rep	proxy
Jamie Furr Off Campus Rep	present
Makayla Pugmire Off Campus Rep	present
Michelle Lie Incoming Student Rep	present
Elisa Vigil Incoming Student Rep	present
Hannah Loesch Village Rep	present

Meeting brought to order at 1700.

Mission statement read by Rachel.

Motion to Approve Minutes

Moved by Grace, Seconded by Larkin

Discussion: None

In favor: 15 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining 0

Motion passes

Club Coordinator Updates

Abby: Today we have Pirates United, Storytellers club, and Disability Awareness for club updates.

- Pirates United

Video played in chambers: [https://mywhitworth-my.sharepoint.com/personal/crise23_my_whitworth_edu/Documents/Attachments/Pirates%20United%20Year%20Summary\(1\).mp4](https://mywhitworth-my.sharepoint.com/personal/crise23_my_whitworth_edu/Documents/Attachments/Pirates%20United%20Year%20Summary(1).mp4)

Jamie C: Anna is the president with Ashah Gould this year. Next year Colin Rise is the president, and his email is crise23@my.whitworth.edu

- Storytellers Club

Brenden: We are the Storytellers club. This semester we are getting our feet underneath us and advertising the club to get new members and create an atmosphere of a fun club to join and get invested in. Next semester we are

going to do similar things and reach out to people and grow the club and next semester we want to have professors talk about writing at our meetings.

Club representative: Another thing we want to do is talk with Westminster Round and we want to have a showcase of students writing. If they are writing poetry and want to present to peers, then this is for them. We are continuing weekly meetings to talk and drink tea together. For next year I am the club president. My email is cteeter24@my.whitworth.edu

Jamie C: If you have questions, reach out to her.

- Disability Awareness

Christian: Thank you for chartering us. We had our first and only meeting last Monday. It was well attended, and we had a great conversation about next year and the community. There was excitement to start next school year and people are energized and want to get involved with advertising. With it being close to the end of year and burn out and other commitments, our officer team didn't expect a big turnout, but it was good. We had good conversations. 3 faculty in the special ed department are going to help us. We are looking at working with the ed department to bring in a disability awareness speaker next year and the club officers are looking at those speakers with student input. We are as a team and members at the meeting, having conversations about connection over the summer and thoughtful conversations for next year.

Club Chartering

- Men's Soccer Club

James: Hi I'm James Walker. I am here to advocate for the adoption of men's soccer club at Whitworth. Our mission statement is to promote community with soccer and develop mindsets, teamwork, and life lessons and practice through perseverance and leadership. Do you have any questions for me?

Makayla: In the constitution it said this was for male's only. Are you inclusive to all genders?

James: Yes, that was later corrected.

Rachel: I noticed in the constitution that leadership members have to serve two-year terms. What is the thought process with that?

James: It was originally to have a stability in leadership. It was also amended to one year.

Motion to Approve Men's Soccer Club

Moved by Jamie F, Seconded by Grace

Discussion:

Jamie C: He sent me two constitutions and I sent the old one to you all, I think. We told him the male only part can't be a thing on campus, and it is to be open to everyone. Tournaments might not let females compete, I am not sure, that's up to the tournament. The club is open to all. He made it so it is one year for leadership terms. There may be 2 or 3 other revisions.

Makayla: I definitely didn't think to ask this but how often do they meet and is it more than women's soccer?

Jamie C: I would check with the club, but they are friends with women's soccer people and they based this around what they do, so I imagine it is pretty similar. They just want to have a men's opportunity as well.

Jason: Like the women's club has a league to be part of, there is also one for men's soccer with WSU, CWU and other schools. Not Gonzaga, they have D1. The schools without D1 soccer have club soccer.

Jamie G: Would they be working together with practices or is it one club soccer team with men's divisions within it? Or are they separate?

Jamie c: They might practice together. With the tournament I am not sure, but they would probably play separate with men and women for fairness.

Makayla: They mentioned they were doing fundraising with for tournaments, are they requesting funds from ASWU?

Jamie C: If it wasn't in there, it will probably be \$300 to start with like a regular club sports team. They would have that in the constitution.

In favor: 17 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining 0
Motion passes

Jamie C: We have club next week to vote on.

Financial Director Updates

Capital: \$19,090

Unallocated: \$12,154.60

Travel: \$4,290

- Payroll Ends

Abby: The last day you can get paid is this Friday the 13th. No timecards during finals week. Last day to enter time is the 12th but that is not when it is due. You can enter things through the 15th which is technically the last day.

- 2022-2023 FSOPs Vote

Abby: I did not prepare much since I did not hear any questions or concerns prior to this.

Motion to Approve FSOPs

Moved by Makayla, Seconded by Larkin

Discussion: None

In favor: 17 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining 0

Motion passes

- 2022-2023 Budget Vote

Motion to Approve 2022-2023 ASWU Budget

Moved by Larkin, Seconded by Reeshika

Discussion:

Rachel: The numbers for unallocated and capital are projected on totals at the end of the year.

Abby: This is assuming the requisition is passed for Springfest. The account is around 12k for unallocated currently. We rounded down to be conservative and took out 200 plus more to be conservative.

Makayla: With the chartering of new clubs and the budget since we just chartered one, is that factored into the conservative numbers or is it a next year problem?

Abby: In the spring there is a club request form, and we allocate money on decisions with that. New clubs had the opportunity to fill out the form and some did but some didn't. Men's soccer won't be on this budget and the club next week, but they can requisition for \$300 as a starting amount next year.

In favor: 17 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining 0

Motion passes

- Requisition Vote

Jason: This is a requisition for all of the backline and support for the band for Springfest. Some of you may know during orientation our speaker equipment got damaged beyond repair. We are hiring out a company to pull off the concert. This covers the cost of the new things we are renting, not the stuff that got damaged which comes from a different budget. We are renting the stage, ramps, monitors, and speakers. This is the specific microphones and backline equipment for the band because they are not bringing things since they are flying from Kansas City. It also covers labor for outside people coming to run it. In the past Whit tech runs it. The \$2200 will be under what this costs but we had to request in advance and didn't know the full cost.

Motion to Approve Springfest Requisition

Moved by Kyle, Seconded by Logan

Discussion:

Makayla: This is for rentals, not purchase right?

Abby: Yes

Chris: If we need more will it go into next year's budget?

Jason: No we are pulling from other coordinators budgets and other things to cover costs this year.

Logan: What is the total now for Springfest?

Jason: Won't know until Saturday.

Abby: It is the biggest event of the year.

Rachel: If we have left over money, we might as well use it. It was built in.

Jason: It is a lot less than last year.

In favor: 18 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining 0
Motion passes

President Updates:

- UREC Updates

Rachel: Telmen is here with an update from the UREC.

Telmen: Hello I am Telmen, the outreach coordinator at the UREC. I will be talking about May events. We have some awesome trips in May and maybe the best opportunity to get rest or a study break in finals. These are the two things we have. Next is some numbers. In blacklight volleyball we had 14 teams and 80 participants. Spring indoor was 41 teams and 249 students. I want to thank you and we appreciate everyone. These numbers are related to ASWU and the UREC thanks you and the support and love and spreading the news of what we have this year. Here is a video of our appreciation. Thank you to all the members and for having me.

- Safety Updates

Rachel: Safety committee met for the last time last week. We reached out to Chris Eichorst, the director of facilities on campus. We had a question about lighting. Last month they had contractors out to replace burnt out lights in parking lots so they were replaced. One thing that they mentioned is slower to replace is the 12 feet pedestrian lights, but they are aware of them. A blue light was put by the health science building. There are two more on the way. One interesting thing was not only do the poles have 911, security, and cameras but also, they provide Wi-Fi in that area. Go do homework by blue poles. In the email he said there is a project pending funding to have more light along Hawthorne with banners and 16 feet tall lights. The money isn't there yet, but they would be 10 more. It would be over the next couple of years. There is a project for more lighting in Omache. That project is unfunded, but they are looking at that. Also, the safety committee is following up efforts with a social media post with how to stay safe on campus. It is important information for the last few weeks.

- Office Keys/ Cleanup

Rachel: If you have an office here, you got an email from Laurie about dropping off keys in facilities, and you should be out of your office by the end of finals with everything out. You are not paid finals week so plan accordingly. The keys need to go to the Waikiki office.

- Job Descriptions

Rachel: If you have something in your job description that should be reevaluated, for coordinators mostly, we will vote on that next week. If you want to send updated job descriptions to Grant by Monday that would be great. Talk to Jason, myself, or Chris about it if you have questions. If your hours are changed or there are other changes, look at it and make those changes.

Vice President Updates:

- Passing the Torch

Chris: Coordinators, senators and reps were given items by previous people and make sure to have access to that and to pass it on Wednesday May 11th at 4pm in the HUB ASWU chambers. We want to have as many people as possible for past and current and future members to create community and familiarize each other for next year.

- Meal Cards

Chris: We will provide meal cards to those, prioritized for off campus and neighborhoods, who came to the meeting today. They are for Sodexo to eat dinner with us as a team.

- Student Highlight

Chris: Izy Iral is our student highlight today. Shoutout to her for doing so much on campus. She is a heat team member, helps with ChAOS, and in the ethics bowl team. She is a Swiss army knife on campus.

Past Events:

- Earth Week

Tristy: It went good. On Wednesday we had a climate panel with a virtual option and in person and we had 45-50 people. It was great to hear Warren Saylor and other local people. On Thursday we gave away 145 plants in the first 15 minutes of the event and I ran and bought more. There were about 175 students that we were able to reach with resources as well. Friday was trivia and there was 30 people and we gave away nice prizes. We ended with Arbor Day and it was rainy but we got 35 people to plant lilacs on the other side of WALT. We partnered with grounds and irrigation, and it is ensured to live with water. It went well.

Abby: There were lots of people who showed up because of the A-frames and being proactive is great. It is lots of effort to make posters, but it goes a long way.

Jamie G: Warren Saylor should come back more.

Tristy: Hopefully there will be an event in the fall with just him.

Makayla: I went to four of the events and it was so rewarding and engaging to see students I don't normally see engage in activism and social involvement. We haven't had that amount of engagement with both EAC and environmentalism

on campus with covid. It is exciting to see revitalization on campus and building social momentum.

Kenzie: I liked the sidewalk chalk.

Jenna: I appreciated the wide range of this with other topics intersecting with tribal elements and racial conversations and all the ways environmentalism impacts hot topics.

- Peaceful Valley Clean Up

Christian: It went really well. We had 6 people go volunteer with other community members. I got to serve alongside Zack Zappone who is a Spokane City Council member. I talked to Gabby Ryan who works for Spokane, and we are staying in contact with more info for service projects next year. It was the first one since covid so there are more opportunities to come.

Michael: Courtney said this: I found the service project was worthwhile and great job to Christian.

Georgia: I really enjoyed it. I was bummed more people didn't go; it was very fun. We got good steps and the weather was nice and everything went well.

Rachel: I think it gave me a sense of ownership for the city by cleaning the alleys and I care about them now so don't mess them up. It was great to plug into the community and I encourage ASWU to do it again in the future in our city.

- Duvall Drive In

Larkin: It went good. We had about 50 people and it was slightly chilly and there were no drinks but now we know for next year. For me I spent 40 dollars so about \$1.25 per person. It was fun. Some stayed and hung out on the lawn for a while.

- Second Chance Prom

Sienna: Y'all looked great. It went really good. It was under \$3 a person. There were 350 people there. We had a few counterfeit tickets which were not great but entertaining. We respect the hustle. Overall it went well. People had fun and there were no major issues beside running out of cups. Shoutout to Jamie and Hannah for taking photos and editing and sending them within 24 hours.

Jamie F: Before moving on, several constituents want the photos. How do they get them?

Sienna: We are posting some and trying to do a public drive.

Makayla: It was absolutely beautiful in Bozarth. I loved the timing with sunset photos. It was amazing. My only concern was I kept getting told there was no water, I didn't see any, but many were thirsty for more than punch. Some went to the bathroom sink to drink. Next time we should have some ice water as many people were getting down on the grass and got thirsty.

Elisa: I didn't go but I heard constituents were excited because they were high school seniors with online proms and fake proms so that was great. One question is can we have a bigger venue next year? Many wanted to go but couldn't with the restriction.

Georgia: The desserts were immaculate. Everyone enjoyed them and I stole some.

Sienna: Go to the chef store.

Katelynn: The event was well run. Lots of people came to help and it was great. My constituents, mostly freshmen, said they were very happy. They were excited and said it was their favorite thing at Whitworth so far with the best memories. The only thing I could think of was the music was quiet and some people said they had to quiet down to hear the next song and then dance.

Jason: The venue put a cap on the sound levels because it is in a neighborhood apartment complex, they have a limit we can't go louder. I was asked to turn it down once. People didn't know but it wasn't our call.

Logan: Overall it was so fun and great to be there. It was a beautiful venue. Some constituents were concerned about parking. It said to carpool, but it was not specific, and people parked on the street so maybe next time have a floater to direct parking. I had lots say the music was not great. Lots had complaints about not getting to go inside because it was cold.

Sienna: We were told they were having staff to help with parking but didn't.

Tristy: It was fun, and my friends and I had fun. Only thing was for clumsy people, the stairs in the back had twigs and things and I fell down the stairs. I don't know if we can change anything but no heels on the stairs, I guess. I have a nice bruise on my knee.

Dezy: With the counterfeit tickets what did you do?

Sienna: They were handed in a group and ticket takers didn't notice right away. One person gave business cards and booked it into the crowd. It was a tattoo business card.

Jamie F: Apparently, I am known as the ASWU DJ because people came up and asked me about the music to switch songs or turn it up.

Upcoming Events:

- Come to the Table

Jenna: This is the women's ministry night dedicated to women to come together and grow and support each other and hear stories of other women on campus and the things we carry shame about and letting go of that. It is cool and it was great last year, so we brought it back. It is Friday night from 7-9pm. Some are signed up to help, so let me know if you can't make it. Anyone else is welcome to come help.

- Kicking it with Warren

Logan: The kickball game is from 4:30-6:30pm on Friday night in Omache and you are all invited. It is geared toward Warren, but you can come. There will be snacks and drinks and mini games in between innings. Also I got 100 warren stickers special made. Hopefully they come before Friday.

- Springfest

Sienna: You got your email with roles and times to work. If you have an issue let me know right away. If you are helping with the golf cart and advertising, great job with donuts today as well, but if you are helping with ice cream and golf cart you got an email. T-shirts came in today and you'll get one soon. Weather is sketchy but we have a backup plan in the fieldhouse. It is happening either way.

Rachel: Friday afternoon we will let you know if we pivot.

Makayla: Will activities change if in field house? Slip n slide?

Sienna: Yes.

Kyle: Will the concert be in the fieldhouse?

Sienna: Yes, but hopefully not

Jenna: Do you want us to be there at the time you sent?

Sienna: Yes, that's the time for you to be there. First time slot is enough for set up and debrief.

- Off Campus Yard Sale

Reeshika: It is from 1-4pm and signups are open until Friday so sign up. You are all welcome to come.

- Paint Night

Dezy: This is a paint and sip. We are doing some paint by the numbers and getting wine glasses from the dollar store but not putting wine in them. We will also have hammock. It is in the Duvoliver lawn. It will be around 3-6pm between lunch and dinner to swing by. There will be finger food. Come if you want. This is on May 10th. Everyone is welcome. 8 days before my birthday so if you don't come...

- Destress station

Rachel: This is next Thursday the 12th so come and destress at the station before finals. Stuffed animals will be given out so we are stuffing them and there will be paint by numbers out in front of the HUB.

- End of Year Celebration

Rachel: This is for current ASWU members. It is Friday the 13th at 5:30pm at Jason's. Next week we will do a carpool list so it will be taken care of. There is not lots of parking. Dinner, awards, chewie.

Jason: If you cannot make it, please email me, and let me know. I am getting food, so I need a number.

Constituency Reports

Duvall:

Larkin: We are doing good. There is lots of enjoyment with sunshine, but it is raining this weekend. We are overwhelmed with projects and finals. They are enjoying themselves and going to primetimes.

Oliver:

Grace: Sent out my last survey for the month of May for my constituents and would love to share my results. They are doing good, but also burnt out and tired. Some are trying to find a job for the summer and are just ready to get out of school. Finals are reportedly not too bad except for some, and residents have been wanting the dogs for finals so glad to see that happening. Residents have fun summer plans which is exciting, and I got good reviews for my position as Senator this year as well as good advice for the Oliver Senator next year. That is all.

Arend:

Samie: We are doing great. There is lots of stress but there is lots of hammocking in the garden. Lots of people are in the primetimes. We got a ping pong table net. We are missing some of our belongings aka the stuffed alligator.

Baldwin-Jenkins:

Kyle: Everyone loves to hate BJ. I have a love hate relationship with BJ. It started last night with primetimes. The game was monopoly. It was a heated game of monopoly between friends and an RA. It was intense. Life has been chugging along like monopoly. It can be stressful, and you can get close to bankrupt so persevere and mortgage your properties to do well. I may have lost this one, but my constituents can win still.

Incoming Student Reps:

Elisa: Not too much is happening. There is finals stress. People want to go home and see family. This week people are sick of eating at Sodexo.

Michelle: There was passing the torch for RAs and lots of incoming students were excited about that.

Off Campus:

Reeshika: We are doing good. People are stressed for exams and finals week. I should see you all on Sunday and we will have chewie there.

The Village:

Hannah L: We are doing good. We started cute gardens around the houses so that is fun. Everyone is checking on them every day. Other than that there is a cold going around still.

Warren:

Logan: We are doing alright. Lots of people were in the lounge hanging out not doing homework but building community. They're getting excited for kickball and sunshine. RAs had passing the torch. Hot topics of discussion is Roe vs Wade which is building tension around campus. Ending on a funny note, we are missing our pig still.

International Students:

Not present

Stewart:

Not present

McMillan:

Gavin: Mac is doing good. Everyone is starting to feel burnt out for finals and stress. In my view, lots are coming together over the common struggle. We have

upcoming events that people are excited for. They have stuff to look forwards to.

Neighborhoods:

Payton: We are doing well. Everyone is busy and summer is counting down. There is lots of excitement and some are graduating and moving out. People are starting to use their yards and be outdoors more.

Ballard:

Katelynn: You know how when you ask a question and expect a response like how you are, fine. Ballard is not telling me how they are doing lately. This week I know how they are doing, and it is not well. There is lots of burn out and stem majors are on my floor and when I am doing skin care in the bathroom, they tell me all about their homework. We are going through it right now. There are good things too like the events coming up that we need to plan. There is community but it feels sluggish. I have some complaints from gals that I will bring up later.

Boppell:

Dezy: I have a couple of things. First, lots of people got this email saying you must live on campus next year and everyone freaked out. I thought it was just a typo and everyone said they sent nasty emails to Alan. He was probably flooded with emails

Makayla: Alan responded and apologized with the system error

Dezy: I comforted them. Second, everyone is studying for finals, but most people are taking it well kind of I am not seeing any crashing. Lots of studying and I am crashing, and I screamed in my squishmallow yesterday because of chem. There is lots of talk about the boy's floor and someone loves to play hopscotch or something at like 4am with stomping. It is not that great. I have experienced it. We talked about this in the CBS meeting, but I don't know how to knock on someone's door and tell them so I'm sacrificing sleep.

Jamie G: I've talked to him, and it slightly changed.

Dezy: What is he doing?

Jamie G: Walking.

Campus Vibes

Makayla: I encourage you to see an RA Dezy. They will hold residents accountable. Talk to them and they can get fined. Also, echoing the Roe vs Wade comment, please have grace. We are having lots of dialogue. It is bad

timing with the dialogue and this on people's plate. For those who operate from a place of privilege on the issue, it is a constitutional right and anxiety producing. Sit with the gravity of that for it to be rolled back.

Katelynn: Usually people don't come to me with problems in Ballard because of the RAs, but I have had many people come to me about the LGBTQ+ event coming up if you know what it is.

Kyle: There is a speaker coming in that is approved by faculty members and they are talking about loving LGBTQ Christians. Constituents came and talked about how it feels like it will create a harmful atmosphere about the issue, and it is promoting a conditional love for people who identify like that. It raises concerns for the community.

Katelynn: Some are deeply offended by it. We are planning an LGBTQIA event panel for our class not through ASWU. People think it is a community event but are angry and want to contact someone. People are upset and constituents texted me about what to do in a situation like this so I said I would bring it up and ask who they should go to.

Jason: It is not a club or ASWU event but faculty. The email is on the poster and I think it is Nancy Casady. Reach out to that person.

Rachel: There are two events. Allyship event is on Monday and Tuesday is for loving LGBTQ Christians. Monday is run by someone else, and Nancy's event is Tuesday.

Dezy: Can you guys explain more the issue and what is raising the concern of the event?

Katelynn: This person says they did research on the organization, and they believe in loving LGBTQ people but might believe it's a sin to get married. They are pushing it and people are upset it is happening because they are not feeling accepted at Whitworth. I have gotten other DMs about it too.

Jamie G: With Roe vs Wade, it is concerning but it is just a draft and it's not confirmed that it is overturned. It is important to be active and have conversations, but it is not a time to panic yet. It is just a draft that may be concerning and worrisome, but it is not until June so be active now and speak out and get through finals. It has to be voted on

Gavin: One thing I heard from others is the speaker believes in celibacy for gay couples which is a concern.

Logan: In talking to constituents, not saying beliefs are invalid, but be there for constituent especially seniors regardless of beliefs. Support them in every way you can even if you don't agree. Lots of people are getting angry right now. People are stressed.

Aidan: Shoutout to seniors, it is close to the end. Reminder to be nice to seniors because we are crying one day and happy the next. Seniors feel that, not saying we are more stressed than others, but half of us don't know where we are living in a week. If you see a senior crying or something, check in on them.

Chris: With the Roe v Wade and LGBTQ concerns, we are in a political society so conversations will be political because identities were created to be political. It can be pressing for us to be there for people and have controversial conversations. While debilitating, this is important especially with our positions. Make sure to understand your privilege and how you can be in the conversation. It is important to understand as a government to be there for constituents and be aware of our time that we are operating in and to have a community in student leadership.

Shoutouts

Abby: Shoutout to everyone who helped with or participated in the diversity monologues. It was great and cool to see vulnerability.

Jenna: Shoutout to the exec team for your last one, you rock. It was lots of hard work put into this year.

Rachel: Shoutout to the service project people, it was fun. Thane killed it with sweeping. Shoutout to the donut crew this morning at 9:45 with the energy. Shoutout to the whole team. There is a week and a half left in ASWU. This is the last time we will be talking from these positions so thanks to the exec team. It was a dream to work with you all and all of our learning and thanks for touching our community and me.

Motion to Adjourn Meeting

Motion by Dezy, Seconded by Jamie F
In favor: 15 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining 0
Motion passes
Meeting adjourned: 1814