



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.

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2022-23 ASWU Meeting Minutes | March 15, 2023

**Executive Members:**

Georgia Goff   President	PRESENT
Christian Aguilar   Vice President	PRESENT
Michael Stavridis   Financial Director	PRESENT
Sydnee Lum   Marketing & PR	PRESENT

**Coordinators:**

Grace Johnson   Campus Activities Coordinator	PRESENT
Jamie Gassman   Club Coordinator	PRESENT
Reeshika Sharma   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 Witte   Baldwin Jenkins	PROXY
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
Grace Stiger   Off-Campus Senator	PRESENT
Lotanna Akukwe   Oliver Senator	PRESENT
Ava Dennis   Warren Senator	PRESENT

**Representatives:**

Gio Coronado   Incoming Student Representative	PRESENT
Maleah Robles   Neighborhoods Representative	PRESENT
Bobbi Jo Crittenden   Off-Campus Representative	PRESENT
Nick Yochum   Off-Campus Representative	PRESENT
Hannah Sommerville   Off-Campus Representative	PRESENT

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**Meeting brought to order at 5:00pm**

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**Mission statement read by Grace**

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**Approval Of Minutes from March 8, 2023**

Motioned to approve by Katie

Seconded by Bobbi Jo

Favor: 13 | Opposed: 0 | Abstain: 0

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**Club Approval: Skeptics Club**

Jamie: If you have any questions before voting, ask Niraj now.

Motioned to approve by Katie

Seconded by Kenzie

Favor: 12 | Opposed: 0 | Abstain: 0

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**Club Updates**

**FASA (Filipino-American Student Association)**

Alicia: Hi, My name is Alicia Chua and I am the president of the Filipino-American Student Association Club.

Sam: And, I am Sam Rontale and I am the vice president.

Alicia: So the first event that we held in the fall was a social, there was a great turnout for our current and new members. The next event we held was during Filipino-American Heritage Month was making lumpiang shanghai that we made from scratch. We also had a presentation about the first Filipinos that migrated to America. Then, we participated in I-Fest!

Sam: We only anticipate a few events this semester, first is an olympics event in mid April, next is an end of the year fancy feast. If you have any other questions, feel free to reach out and contact us!

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**Speaker Proposal**

**Students for Life - Glendie Loranger**

Jamie: We have a speaker proposal from Sarah from the Students for Life club.

Sarah: Hi, I'm Sarah from the Students for Life club and we are requesting to bring Glendie Loranger to campus. We want to bring Glendie on campus to talk about how the pro-life moment empowers women and how Life Services empowers women. Life Services is here in Spokane.

Jamie: We had her here earlier this year right?

Sarah: Yes, for some tabling.

Christian: Will it be targeted towards all of campus, or more so just your club?

Sarah: It will be open to all of campus, and we will put some posters up.

Christian: Where are you hoping to do it?

Sarah: I'm hoping to do it in RTT.

Jamie: We will be voting on this next week.

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## **Financial Director Updates**

### **Finance Committee & Account Totals**

Capital : \$13,900 | Unallocated: \$8,755

Michael: Hi everyone, as you can see these are the account totals. The finance committee met and approved some requisitions. We gave \$24 to Beyond the Pines for the Club Fair. Next, we approved \$395 for a licensing fee for Whitworth FM. They can't run Whitworth FM without the licensing fee. We will account that for their budget for next year. We approved \$150 for Whitcode for their prize money for their Hackathon. Then, we approved \$225 for Turning Point USA for the Spokane Indians game as a social event. We also gave \$500 to the UREC for some shortages for Intramural sports for referees and funding that. The next finance committee meeting is TBD with Spring Break. It'll be after Spring Break though.

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## **President Updates**

Georgia: I don't have much this week but I did have a meeting with Scott today and there weren't a ton of new updates. Also, I emailed those names who volunteered for the Luau over so you should be receiving more information if you did volunteer.

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## **Vice President Updates**

### **Election Timeline Approval**

Christian: Now, we need to vote for the election timeline that we looked over from last week's meeting.

Kenzie: Did we get the Executive debate approved since it's during Board of Trustees blackout time?

Christian: I haven't checked but I think they will approve that.

Bobbi Jo: So if we can't do the Executive Debate because of that but we already voted yes on it, then what?

Jason: We are just voting on the election timeline, not the executive debate. When voting opens and closes and campaigning and all of that.

Motion to approve by Katie

Seconded by Kenzie

Favor: 15 | Opposed: 0 | Abstain: 0

## **ASWU Alumni Letters**

Christian: We have been asking more student groups to be fundraising. One of the things we want to do is reach out to ASWU alumni to ask for donations. Sydnee and I met with Annual Giving to talk about logistics of that. In the coming weeks, we will work on a draft of that. We got a lot of information today so the executive team will need to look at how that is going to look. We want to make it more personable, so just stay posted with more updates with that. Sydnee and I made some really great progress with that.

## **Meeting Conduct Committee**

Christian: Lucien sent out emails to those who are interested this week. The goal is that towards the end of April, we can test out some changes, so that next year's Exec team can run with these changes. If you have any suggestions, please give them to Lucien.

### **Tabling**

Christian: I want signups for tabling to share info on election info. 11-1 in the hub on mar 23rd to basically say that election applications are open and give basic information.

### **Student Highlight**

Christian: The Student Highlight this week is Rab Greenup. Isaac was the one to mention nominating Rab. He has done a good job welcoming and greeting students while working at The Pines.

### **Meal Cards**

Christian: As always, come grab a meal card from me after the meeting and enjoy a meal with the team! Everyone is welcome.

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### **Events: Past Events**

#### **Pirate Mania**

Larkin: So Pirate Mania was this past Monday. It was at the Fieldhouse and we had 40 people that came. It was fun with the prizes and food. Great turnout and chill event.

Lucien: I think that even though it got cut for time, I know my constituents had a lot of fun.

Katelynn: I talked to some people who were frustrated about not knowing about it because there were only posters and not a whole lot of advertising done.

Bobbi Jo: I think you did a great job with mishaps. You worked around that really well and handled it a lot better than I would have.

Katie: I heard a lot of good reviews about the fanny packs. Also i think the MC was very good. Larkin, you did very well.

### **Events: Upcoming Events**

#### **Casino Night**

Larkin: This is an "all hands on deck" event. It is March 18 from 8pm-11pm. Again, half of you will be doing setup, the other half will be doing teardown. Setup is at 4pm. Everyone else needs to be there at 7pm in the fieldhouse. Event itself is from 8pm-11pm

Grace: Make sure to dress formally, wear your nametags and show up. It's important that you are there. I sent out the email with your jobs.

Ava: Why do teardown people need to come at 7pm if they are doing teardown and not setup?

Grace: Setup is at 4pm, and everyone else needs to be there at 7pm to get trained for their roles, and for pizza.

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### **Happy Birthday!**

Georgia: Happy Birthday Michael and Micah! We love you!

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### **Constituency Reports**

#### **Boppell**

Katelynn: Boppell is sick. There are a lot of people who are sick. The printer is potentially broken, I haven't checked but hopefully the individual called IT. But other than that, Boppell is as quiet as ever.

## **Oliver**

Lotanna: Oliver is doing well so far. A bit quiet but well. I have received some concerns about the front doors of Oliver, as well as work order requests. Also, primetime has been fun and enjoyable and I've heard from some of my residents participating in RA applications, which is encouraging considering they're pursuing student leadership positions.

## **Duvall**

Katie: We finally have a date for Duvall drive in; April 22nd. In terms of the movie, for advertising, I'm giving clues. It will be groovy. We just had a spontaneous collaboration with Oliver for an unofficial mud run where a few RA's took residents to go out and play in the snow and mud. I have had a few freshmen residents bring up plans for running in ASWU and RA apps and lots of little nervous conversations about individual interviews.

## **BJ**

Isaac (Proxy): BJ has had an interesting week. As of yesterday, our heating and hot water were restored after facilities was forced to turn them off during some required maintenance to fix a steam leak in the basement. This resulted in some disappointment as our lovely prayer room has been blocked off for a few days. Luckily, as far as I've heard the maintenance was successful and hopefully, we will have access to our basement in the next couple of days. Many of my constituents are nervous heading into next week as RA & CMC interviews are officially on calendars! Primetimes this week have been pretty mellow, and I am quite pleased that we have successfully held a few prime times with attendance in Shalome. General consensus is people are hyped for Casino Night!

## **Arend**

Samie: Arend is doing good this week. I have been talking with some of my first year constituents and they have expressed some stress and confusion surrounding 4 year plans and registrations. I have also talked to many of my constituents about ASWU elections and many have expressed interest which is exciting! We've had a reoccurring issue of the stove being kept on, but it is resolved (hopefully). Other than that, we're just excited for break!

## **Off-Campus Senator:**

Grace: Off-Campus has been annoyed with the random days of snow but are hoping that's behind us. People are busy with life and school and are feeling high levels of stress. We are ready for spring break.

## **Warren**

Ava: My constituents are busy studying for tests coming up this week. I have heard of people being sick and have been sick myself so I haven't been able to hangout in the lounges as much as I usually am. Also I haven't gotten any texts about the printer which means its doing well which is great. I also overheard a conversation that some constituents don't feel that they are informed about events so I asked them if they look at posters hanging in the hub and they said they don't pay attention because there is too many.

## **McMillan**

Lucien: McMillan is doing well as usual. The impending doom that is midterms are causing some stress and burnout, and there is definitely some casual tension around who's going to be the next senator; which is always a fun annual question. Water assassins are coming up, Milk and Cookies is tonight, and all is well!

## **Ballard**

Kenzie: Lots of things happening right now! There's lots of talk about upcoming elections and spring break. We are very much looking forward to spring break. Milk and cookies tonight, plus water assassins coming soon!

## **Neighborhoods**

Maleah: The neighborhood has been doing well. My constituents have been doing a great job at attending their required house events which seem to all be going very well! I have also heard from a few people that they are planning on applying for the neighborhoods either for the first time or once again! I have heard that there is stress arising as exam dates have been in place since last week, as we are approaching midterms. However, everyone is very excited and ready for spring break and can't wait to get a well-deserved rest!

## **International Students**

Niraj: The international students are alright. We are relieved to be done with midterms and are excited for Spring Break. There is a community luncheon happening in the ISC Front lounge on March 17. Samantha and Zora are serving Jamaican and Nigerian food and there are only a few seats left so feel welcome to sign up on the CDA Instagram page.

### **Incoming Student Representatives:**

Gio & Liam: I think our class is doing good this week. The first couple weeks of Spring have been pretty tiring for a lot of students, but I think a lot of them took the time to rest this past weekend, and the life of the students has been rejuvenated at least a little bit. I think students are also feeling very encouraged by the fact that Spring Break is in just over a week. Also, students are really enjoying the sunnier weather we've been getting, and some people (myself included) are also really loving the rain. I heard of several students who wanted to know more about the casino night event. The only advertising most students have seen are posters hanging up in the HUB and other buildings.

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### **Goodbye Jason**

Christian: We just wanted to recognize you and show our appreciation for you, so here is a jar full of notes from our team this year, and others from past teams. We appreciate you so much Jason.

Georgia: Also, a goodbye basket full of goodies for you.

Jason: I said this yesterday, but I'll say it again. I appreciate you all so much. You all make this job fun. Keep up the great work, keep supporting each other, you are all very much appreciated and won't be forgotten. You'll receive an email on Monday with my personal gmail address. Feel free to reach out with anything. Remember, there's a two hour time difference. But seriously, it's been an honor and a joy to work with ASWU. It's not goodbye, it's we will see you later. I want to support you all and it's more than just a supervisor relationship but y'all are my friends and family.

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### **Campus Vibes**

Kenzie: I'm in a show still. Come see it! It's Saint Joan. It's really great and really funny. It's really sad because we burn a person. Not actually. You should come see it; Friday, Saturday and Sunday. 7:30pm on Friday and Saturday, and Sunday is at 2pm.

Christian: I'm not sure the details about the situation but I know there was a health situation in the Hub this week and we noticed there isn't a defibrillators in every building. Taking some steps to work on that. Also, this is an emotional time with interviews so be encouraging people! We also know that these people are qualified but may not get hired so please encourage people to be running. If you know anyone who wants to run, please let me know. I want to send out personal emails to those wanting to run.

Jason: I wanted y'all to know that you guys have been working so hard.. I worked something out and got you all a week off soon. It's in the spring so we are going to call it Spring Break. Enjoy.

Lucien: Three of you haven't emailed me back about the Meeting Committee but please email me back if you're busy. It's okay, I'd just like to know. Also, a lot of the AED's are out of date. They are expired.

Grace: Not that I have some sort of solution in mind, but it's frustrating that deposits are due so close to getting notified of acceptance to study abroad programs. I'd like to apply to scholarships before deciding and don't really have the time since it's so close together.

Jamie: Also, not having them come out at the same time is so frustrating.

Bobbi Jo: With the warmer weather and it being sunny, people are driving crazy. Look both ways before crossing the street. I almost got hit by a car.

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### **Shoutouts**

Kenzie: Shoutout to Larkin for Pirate Mania. All came together almost perfectly. That and casino night... you're killing it.

Larkin: Shoutout to everyone for helping with Pirate Mania and Kenzie for helping me out; she just killed it.

Katelynn: I don't know who decided on the redbulls with the casino chips for the advertising but that is a great idea so shoutout to you.

Christian: Thank you to the helpers helping with Casino Night stickers before the meeting. Shoutout to Katie for giving me names of people interested in elections. Shoutout to Lucien for auditioning for a play and getting the part he wanted. Also shoutout to the whole team because we have so many applying and in the interviews they say they want to be apart of this group, which is really just amazing.

Lucien: Shoutout to Jason. You mean a lot. I appreciate everything you've done for all of us.

Georgia: Shoutout to Isaac for proxying. Slay. Also shoutout to Laurie for coming to our meetings and taking on additional responsibilities. And Jason I guess..

Katie: Shoutout to Jason. He is the leader that I strive to be one day. We should recognize the heart and soul he puts into this work. Your dog is pretty great too. I'll miss coming into my office. Also RA shoutouts to Mac Cochran and Carson Woods. Probably two of the most spirited people on campus. They make community on campus. Really good at fostering community full of fun and inclusion.

Christian: Shoutout to Isaac for nominating someone for student highlight! You feel like an honorary member of ASWU. It meant a lot that you'd go out of your way like that. Other one is for Sydnee. We had a very serious meeting doing Exec stuff and she's just killing it. I sent out emails to ask if someone would like to join me in this meeting and Sydnee jumped right in. To be a first year and in this setting is so cool and I'm really proud of you.

Jason: Shoutout to you all for the work you put in. You all don't get paid enough but it's really commendable that you all serve our community so well.

Urvashi: Shoutout to Jason. Thank you so much for being the mentor that you have been for me. Thank you for giving us so much space to work and do what we like and how we like it. I've learned so much from you. And I just wish so much luck and positivity in your life. Also thanks all of you for such an amazing year.

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Motioned to adjourn meeting by Lucien

Seconded by Katie

Favor: 16 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining : 0

Meeting adjourned at 5:47pm

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