

ASWU Meeting Minutes 11/29/2017

In attendance:

2017-2018 School Year (Voting) - President - Jeff Debray, Executive Vice President - Dylan Reyes, Financial Vice President - Shaun Fisher, Secretary - Jordan Coleman, Activities Coordinator - Danny Butler, Special Events Coordinator - Rachel Henson, Cultural Events Coordinator - Kamau Chege, Marketing/PR Coordinator - Hunter Smit, Senior Class Coordinator - Sarah Dixit, Spiritual Life Coordinator - Hannah Palmer, Sports Coordinator - Mae Curtis, Sustainability Coordinator - Claire Leveck, Outdoor Recreation Coordinator - Elisha Parslow, Natsihi Editor - Michaela Mulligan, Whitworth.fm Manager - Colin Bondy, Whitworthian Editor - Courtney Murphy, Arend Senator - Amber Van Brunt, Baldwin Jenkins Senator - Alex Mowrey, Ballard Senator - Savannah Heath, Boppell Senator - Sarah Haman, Duvall Senator - Tucker Wilson, McMillan Senator - Martin Crocco, Off-Campus Senator - Gracie Meiners, Oliver Senator - Hannah Underwood, Stewart/Village Senator - Shelby Krug, Warren Zone Rep - Maria Alvarez (proxy), BJ/Stewville Zone Rep - Parker Daniels, Arend/Boppell Zone Rep - Alexa Ricks, Duvall/Oliver Zone Rep - Jacob Seo, Off-Campus Zone Rep - Lisa Huang, Off-Campus Zone Rep - Franklin Ekelem, Off-Campus Zone Rep - Hannah Howell

Meeting was brought to order at 5:00pm in the ASWU Chambers.

Welcome to our 12th ASWU meeting of the year.

Mission Statement read by Jacob Seo.

Approve minutes from November 15th, 2017

GUEST SPEAKER: Monica - counseling center

Healthy Minds Survey: First time we have done this specific study

- 740 undergrad students took the survey

Key Findings

- 52% of flourishing, 49% not flourishing (defined as making the most of your opportunities)
- 19% diagnosed with depression
- 57% declared some clinical depression
- 21% were diagnosed with anxiety
- In the past year, 1% of students made a suicide attempt = 5 students
- 4% had a plan to end their lives = 28 students
- 10% suicidal ideation
- 31% nonsuicidal self-injury
- 47% binge drinking = 4 or more drinks in a 2 hour span

- 19% screen positive for an eating disorder
- 43% have been in counseling
- 12% currently seeing therapy on or off campus compared to last year at 20%
- 26% have taken psychiatric medications
- 65% feel that they need current help for emotional or mental health problems
- 78% felt that their mental health has affected their academics
- 98% are liking willing to accept someone who has received mental health treatment as close friend
- 87% feel that there is a good support system on campus

Over Jan Term, counseling center will be holding some listening panels for the campus to come up with ideas for improvement

CLUB UPDATES

Students for Life

Mission is to encourage a conversation about abortion

- Hosted Senator Pallen about legality of abortion, created an event where students can sign up to talk to a leader in the pro life club
- Meetings are on Thursdays at 7-8pm in Robinson or Weyerhaeuser

Pirate Pride

We are Whitworth's LGBTQ club and have been here for 3 years. Our Goals are to provide students with a safe and welcoming place and provide respectful discourse and acceptance for everyone

- 3 meetings a week in the ABC room, Monday at 7:30pm and Tuesday at 7pm, Mental Health Support Group Wednesday at 7pm
- 100 people on email list, 10-20 people show up regularly
- Hosted an event on National Coming Out Day
- PJ event coming up

PEC

Physics and engineering collective

Purpose of our club is create camaraderie between the physics and engineering communities through events

- Ice cream social
- Dodgeball

Coming up

- Game nights like Mario Kart, professional panel, board games, manufacturing shadowing, outreach with high school students, laser tag, welding classes

No periodic meetings, need to be on our email list

Best contact person: Haden Wisniewski

FVP UPDATES: Shaun Fisher

Club Charters

UMOJA: African Culture club

- Goal is to celebrate African life and culture that provides a realistic and authentic idea of the culture and allow anyone to take part and become educated in our culture
- Want to serve as a resource for those who go on mission trips or for study abroad trips to Africa
- Never been an African club on campus before
- Events
 - Prime times, April 20 - African Celebration
 - Focusing on political aspects of the culture such as the slave trade, poaching
- 65 prospects for the mailing list

ASWU vote

Savannah Heath: I love it and I thought the first event was so cool. They were playing African music and making coffee. They talked about the coffee ceremony at the International Festival. I think they should be chartered

Alex Mowery: I took African culture over Jan Term last year and it was beyond enlightening. I think that whatever appeal we think that this club has, it's even broader than that and people can gain a lot from it.

Jacob Seo: It has every benefit as the Hawaiian club and we really enjoyed the idea of the club.

Kamau Chege: I know a lot of people think this club is really good, and it is really good.

Club approved

Pokemon Trainers Club

- Pokemon is the second largest video game franchise ever, international language of its own. You can talk to anyone about pokemon and have a great conversation and connection that creates a new friendship. Whitworth is a huge hotspot in the game Pokemon Go and draws a lot of people onto campus.
- Right now we have a Pokemon raid on TextMuse and can connect people - we send out texts and people meet up
- Our advisor is very active in our club and loves the game
- We want to open the club up to more people and make it more well known

- Club is open to everyone. We will help people build their teams and learn how to play the game
- No regular meetings planned but the Pokemon raid is a great way to contact people
- About 25 people that I have talked to about joining the club who are interested
- We are planning on going downtown to play Pokemon Go
- A lot of people don't realize that the gaming club is mostly board games. I know that this club would be very successful and would do even better than Super Smash Bros club. This is a big difference from gaming club. Compared to other clubs, there is the International Club and there are segments within those clubs. I think the Pokemon Trainers club is similar to that.
- With ASWU funding we can get our own club material such as our own trading card deck and could pass down through the club. We could also use ASWU sponsorship to help with advertisement, helping get people who don't know about it.

ASWU vote

Danny Butler: I am a huge Pokemon Go player and I started the Facebook page. I know that raids are huge and this summer there was a group of five people hanging out together and playing the game. I know more people who are interested in playing this game and I think that it would be nice for some formal group on campus. There's a lot of organization that could come from this club.

Tucker Wilson: Organization brings nerds out of the woodworks. Pokemon is everywhere and announcing that there is a club would bring people out of their rooms and people would flock together. It will attract more people.

Club approved

Capital: \$16,270

Unallocated: \$1,800.19

Finals are approaching so deadlines for receipts are due Dec. 8 @3pm

EXECUTIVE VP UPDATES: Dylan Reyes

Student Highlight

Tucker Wilson - Sam Henson

Student Leader Highlight

Jordan Coleman

PRESIDENT UPDATES: Jeff DeBray

Last Town Hall is on Tuesday Dec. 5 @6pm

Women in STEM

- 2 math professors

REPORTS AND CAMPUS VIBES

Alex Mowery: I want to thank ASWU for giving BJ money for the ping pong table.

Sarah Haman: Boppell Coffee House is this Friday Dec. 1 at 8-11pm

Amber Van Brunt: Deck the Halls is this weekend. Friday and Saturday we are decorating, so if you want to help out feel free.

Kamau Chege: Dec. 8 @8pm in BJ, the FASA club is having Filipino food night. HOLA is having their food and culture event at 5:30pm in MPR

Alexa Ricks: People are complaining how hot it is in the UREC and I don't know who to talk to.

Danny Butler: Jan Term I am hosting the last college game show. The poster came out yesterday. For people who want to win \$500 and meet new people.

Gracie Meiners: People on off-campus are super excited for the senior Christmas Party. People are annoyed with everything happening on Friday and events are overlapping. The Wednesday of finals week, there will be an event in the MPR for off campus people to come by and grab coffee and donuts.

SHOUT-OUTS

Hannah Palmer: The concert was amazing and I want to thank everyone for your help and set up. People worked together to get the equipment for the event.

Sarah Dixit: Dylan for putting up posters for the Senior Party and to Hannah Palmer for making a geo filter for snapchat

Mae Curtis: The microwaves are up and running!

MEETING ENDS AT 6:19PM