

- I. ASWU Meeting Minutes - September 30, 2015
- II. Call to Order – Justin, 5:04PM
- III. Mission Statement – Brendan
- IV. Approve Minutes – All support, none oppose
- V. Speaker: Forrest Buckner

A. Justin: I would like to introduce Forrest Buckner, who is new as the Dean of Spiritual Life. Welcome!

B. Forrest: I want to do three things: get to know me more, hear about chapel/ministry, get feedback on a movie about race and faith. I am going to pass around a couple of things. I am going to first send around some cinnamon toothpicks. Here, let me introduce myself more. I have a wife and three daughters named Esther, Bella, and River. Before coming here, I was studying Theology in Scotland for the past three years. Before that, I was in Boulder, Colorado doing a master's program and working at a high school. I was excited to hear about Whitworth. It has been an amazing gift. The highlight was getting to know all of the students here on campus. You can pass around these campus ministry newsletters so you can know what's going on on a weekly basis. It's a place where people can come to know more, celebrate, and walk with Jesus. AWAKE happens on Wednesdays and small groups are in the process of launching across campus. Those are going on pretty much every week. My hope is that these will be accessible to everyone on campus and they can get to know Jesus more. We have a great team at the Chapel. Mama Beans and Stephanie both do sermons. Kent McDonald works with Young Life. We all have office hours and we can chat about what you want. Third thing, Woodlawn. We have been talking a lot about race a lot here at Whitworth. We've been having this conversation here since the "black face" incident. We were suggested this movie and decided to pre-screen it. We got some feedback on it. It's a story of a football team in Alabama experiencing racial tension. This preacher comes and wants to preach to the team about Jesus and end up having a mass conversion. The white players and the black players come together and begin to appreciate one another. That's the movie: about race and

Christianity. It's not cheesy by any means. It's made from the perspective of the Christian faith. The feedback was generally pretty good. We see this as a tool to integrate about the conversation about race and faith at the same time. I don't know about how the transportation would work but we could rent out one or two theaters depending on the amount of interest. I would like to know that you think about it and who would be interested in this event. Athletes, obviously. I want your honest feedback.

- C. Jordan: Is there budget that covers that?
- D. Forrest: Hopefully we could get funding as part of Whitworth United.
- E. Bre: My initial reaction is that I like it. I feel like that we can foster these kinds of conversations including both faith and race.
- F. Kelsey: I feel that some people don't think racism exists in this day and age. They think it's something that happened then and in this one geographic area.
- G. Forrest: That's actually something that I said at the pre-screening.
- H. Kevin: It sounds like this might be framed as an event within a series of events. Do you think it will
- I. Brendan: I feel like it might sidetrack those who are not Christian but still want to talk about the topic of racism.
- J. Justin: This is an event sponsored by the chapel, so it kind of makes sense to be faith based.
- K. Jordan: I think it's worth the risk. Everyone should be able to find something to relate to. Even if you block out the faith part.
- L. Forrest: One of the people who came to the CDA training and thought it would be a good movie, even though they were not from a Christian background. We have been thinking about getting involved with David and Larry Burnley for this event.
- M. Savana: Is there a way to coordinate with the freshman seminars and make it a mandatory event?
- N. Justin: Also, there might be a few scheduling issues with that being trustee week. ASWU typically doesn't have any events during trustee week.

- O. Forrest: We hadn't thought of that.
- P. Jordan: Do you think this has the potential to become as big as Selma?
- Q. Forrest: I don't think it's quite in the same category. I mean, I was getting fired up but I wouldn't exactly put them on the same level. Do you think it would be worthwhile to advertise across campus?
- R. Justin: Senators will be able to put the event in their newsletters which go in every dorm.
- S. Forrest: Oh, that's awesome!
- T. Brittany: We could also do a Prime Time activity after the showing. Have the students watch the movie and then meet up afterwards in their Prime Time groups.

## VI. Club Updates

### A. GAMING CLUB

1. Skyler: First club is Gaming Club
2. Brian: Hello, I am Brian and I am the
3. Azaria: I'm Azaria Heier and I'm the Vice President.
4. Brian: We meet every Friday in Hendrick Hall. We do board games and role-playing games. We are going to be doing a Prime Time with Arend. We'll be doing a Halloween event the week after Halloween. So, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM. We want to do a joined event with SciFi club, like laser tag. On April 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> will be having WhitCon where we do tons of events related to gaming. We'll have Xboxs and Wiis set up in different rooms along with LARPing, tournaments, and such.
5. Skyler: Any questions?
6. Kelsey: When and where are your meetings?
7. Jeff: 6PM on Fridays in Hendrick Hall.
8. Brendan: There are some residents in my hall that are into League of Legend. Is there a tournament for League of Legends players?
9. Brian: We do have a League tournament during WhitCon but we usually leave that to the League of Pirates.

## B. RESTORING HOPE

1. Naomi: I'm a junior and I am the president of Restoring Hope. We meet Tuesdays 6pm-7pm in Robinson 141. Meetings mostly revolve around mental health. We were planning an event on Freshman Fall Fest called Hopes and Fears. We did it a few years ago and it went well. It's a great way to get mental health into the common discussion. I would like to get a panel discussion on anxiety and phobias if possible. With the Hopes and Fears, hopefully that goes well. For the panel, we hope to get professionals or those with experience to come talk.

## VII. Homecoming Preparations

- A. Bre: Alright friends. First of all, thanks to everyone who has helped in the past week. Unfortunately, we're not done. Most likely the burn ban won't be lifted. CHINEY. If that is not approved then we will move to here in the loop at the fireplace. We'll bring a stage out for the performers. What I need help with is making this area as cool as the Pirate's Cove.
- B. Savana: Hang Christmas lights every where, like in between trees and make it really inviting.
- C. Katie: If you need Christmas lights, pretty much every girl resident has some that you could use.
- D. Kaysee: Maybe you could bring out some chairs, couches, and bean bags.
- E. Kiersten: We can take some of the things from Sage's place. I mean, if Rebecca is fine with it then I'm totally okay with it.
- F. Bailey K: We could project a fireplace on a screen if you wanted to.
- G. Norma: Have you spoken to Anthony about a backup plan?
- H. Bre: Yes. Also, the jars came in! You can't keep them. We are going to advertise with them. I am going to send out the last final details about the parade. The biggest thing will be setting up since the loop is closed. I have to keep one lane open as a fire lane and then we will drive on the other side of the road. People will have to park in A1 near Admissions.

- I. Justin: Senators, have you clearly told your residents that it will be closed during the parade time?
- J. Bre: Also, shout out to senators for the posters. They look great. How are floats going?
- K. Peter: That is our Prime Time Thursday.
- L. Bre: If you want to text me and tell how those are going then I would love to hear from you. Performers keep dropping out so let me know someone who would be
- M. Kiersten: We had a large variety of people at the Harvest Festival.
- N. Bre: You can definitely pass along that list to me if you would like to.
- O. Bailey K: If you don't have more people then what will you do for music?
- P. Bre: We will have to play music in between student performers.
- Q. Justin: Do you have ideas of people who would be excited?
- R. Peter: I could ask choir people.
- S. Bre: I think people just need encouragement.
- T. Justin: I was able to meet with Joshua and David with
- U. Katie: Would it be cool if we invited alumni for dorm decorating?
- V. Bre: There is still a lot of advertising to do. We have a bunch of posters to put up. If you would like to help let me know. It would only take like 10 minutes if we all help. In the Loop we will be watching Inside Out.
- W. Justin: We hope to snowball the advertising
- X. Kaysee: The Symposium is happening so you can send people that way after the event.
- Y. Ryan: Are we for sure getting our own pancake batter?
- Z. Bre: Yes, let me know of financial issues.

#### VIII. Executive Announcements

- A. Justin: Chase will be joining us later since he's running the election table. I was able to buy flowers for Beck. I was given an email response that I will read here.
- B. Email Read.

- C. Justin: He was very appreciative of what we did. Oh, by the way, we will be moving in to our campus survey after Homecoming. That should be on your radar.
- D. Skylar: We have finance committee \$375 for club stuff all year. We gave them \$100. Allocated is at \_\_\_\_\_. I have two clubs chartering this weekend and will be here next week. We need to be reading the emails I send out so we can avoid asking redundant questions. I sent out an email with the

IX. Reports and Vibes

- A. Niehls: Friday is a backpacking trips with five open spots. Mountain Biking trip this Saturday. We cut the price in half so please encourage people to sign up.
- B. Jordan: Volleyball tournament this weekend.
- C. Jeff: On the next newsletter we want to get Saturday 7-10PM in Stewvill/Bj. Beck and puppies.
- D. Brittany: Can we post all the Prime Times for all of campus to
- E. Brendan: We have it all of the Prime Times on a calendar so everyone knows what Prime Times are coming up.
- F. Kiersten: During my freshman and sophomore year, we had it had a website that had a list of all the Prime Times for a week or two. I don't know if that is still exists, though.
- G. Kaysee: The History Club's movie showing of Even in the Rain is tonight. 7:30PM, Johnston 233. The ISC is hosting a luncheon celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month at 11:30 tomorrow. On October 10, Jesus Nebot is coming and going to talk about immigration and his story of being undocumented in the U.S. His lecture and discussion start at 3:00 and the actual film showing is at 8 with questions and answers after. Both events are in RTT.
- H. Norma: I was looking for improvements. Vegetables could be added seasoning. Maybe a Shepherd's Pie? Also, some people have been requesting more focus towards the international foods.

- I. Bailey K: On October 9th there will be an After Game Dance at 9PM in the U-Rec. The dance will be free if you go to the volleyball game, but if you don't then it'll be \$1. Also, why do we have assigned seats?
- J. Chase: We thought we'd mix it up. Side conversations can actually be helpful and they can be bounced off the people near you. It was something that came up through suggestions.
- K. Dayna: Also do
- L. Katie: Washer stuff is kind of on hold. I have a ton of sweatshirt submissions now. I started out with none and I suddenly got like 15 entries.
- M. Kiersten: Harvest Fest went really well. Lots of people were there. We are chartering KIPOS as a club again and rolling ASAP. Sustainability meeting with the PHDs with how to get people involved. Student Compost Director interviews will be today and tomorrow. There is a pumpkin decorating event Friday Oct 9<sup>th</sup> in the MPR at 9PM. We hope to sell pumpkins from the garden and make a little money. There is a facilities planning meeting soon. They invite students to come in.
- N. Rachel: Kasey Andrews wants to increase the Speakers and Artists events on campus. We talked about senators helping with Prime Times. He will come in end of October to talk about that since there isn't time anywhere else in October. He also talked about how he came to a past ASWU meeting and receiving a negative responses. He also showed us a brochure he made with speakers and presentations. We'll keep everyone updated.
- O. Brendan: Freshman fall fest is coming along well.
- P. Savana: Senior cards aren't here yet. Don't even get me started. Barn Dance is on Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> and will only be open to off-campus students.
- Q. Adam: Haunted House will be \$3 October 24<sup>th</sup> at 8PM.
- R. Peter: Katie and I met with COVAC and we approved different courses. We also got an Art History BA.
- S. Justin: There are many sub

- T. Chase: My focus has been elections. On Monday we had our primary election with about 600 votes. That's about 30%. We hope for 35% today. A lot of today has been verifying the write-in candidates. The SEC will meet to clarify the purpose of recommendations and if they are required or not.
- U. Many people that didn't have their recommendations submitted by the deadline. They made it very clear that recommendations are necessary.
- V. Bailey K: In the past, for Whitworth jobs people have been pretty lenient because you cannot control when your references turn those in.
- W. Chase: There is not anything in paper that says it's your absolute necessity to. I had to be objective otherwise it would be chaos. I would have let people run without the recommendations but if I make one exception then I would have to make the same exception across the board.
- X. Bre: Is it standard procedure to have you decide or is it a committee decision?
- Y. Jessica: It should have been the deciding vote that came beforehand. No offense to you, but you shouldn't have made that decision on your own. The vote from the SEC was supposed to determine what to do going forward.
- Z. Kyler: We may want to consider making for the freshman references not required because at three weeks into your courses most freshmen can't make those relationships with their counselors and professors enough for them to write a recommendation letter.
- AA. Chase: we discovered that it wasn't clear in the bylaws. We need to make it clear for everyone who is running what we would do in that situation.
- BB. Katie: Make clear to vote twice.
- CC. Jeff: I heard from Ben that you were calling potential candidates until 3AM if they could be on the ballot. I mean, that's some dedication so props to you.
- DD. Bre: This is a great thing to learn from but we have to own that we acknowledge that we messed up. We should release a statement to own up to our mistake. That's part of being transparent.

- EE. Brittany: I had a resident who ran into a weird situation with trying to get her recommendation letter from her RD. She sent the reference email but it apparently went straight to his junk folder. I mean, she did her part but still got disqualified.
- FF. Chase: I'm taking note of everything to bring up to the SEC later.
- GG. Katie: By the way, as your team, we stand with you.
- HH. Bre: Put something out to students to explain or release a statement.
- II. Chase: Timecards are due Friday, but do them today.
- JJ. Chase: I got some feedback about newsletters being due. We'll have them due to me by Saturday. Sunday will be revisions.
- KK. Norma: Do you need them by 5PM?
- LL. Chase: Anytime Saturday.
- MM. Peter: Is there a specific time Sunday that you'll get back to us?
- NN. Chase: It will be early in the morning so you'll have it pretty early.
- OO. Bailey V: For tonight, I would like some help with setting up the MPR for the hypnotist. Also, I would like help cleaning up too. It should be over by
- X. Shoutouts to Peter, Breanna, Kai, Kaysee, Katie
- XI. For the Good of the Order
- A. Kiersten: Nov 11 11am-2Pm pop up thrift shot. They just need 3-4 people to help set up and unload things.
- XII. Adjourn at 6:16PM
- XIII. Brendan, Seconded by EVERYONE