

ASWU Meeting Minutes 02/28/2018

In attendance:

2017-2018 School Year (Voting) - President - Jeff Debray, Executive Vice President - Shelby Krug (EVP proxy), Financial Vice President - Shaun Fisher, Secretary - Jordan Coleman, Activities Coordinator - Danny Butler, Special Events Coordinator - Rachel Henson, 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, Warren Senator - Ethan Clardy, Off-Campus Senator - Gracie Meiners, Oliver Senator - Hannah Underwood, Stewart/Village Senator - Shelby Krug (Nora Riches proxy), Josiah Gallegos, BJ/Stewville Zone Rep - Parker Daniels (Danielle Moore proxy), Arend/Boppell Zone Rep - Alexa Ricks, Duvall/Oliver Zone Rep - Jacob Seo, Off-Campus Zone Rep - Lisa Huang, Off-Campus Zone Rep - Hannah Howell

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

Mission statement read by Alex Mowrey

Jeff: We need to review our minutes from February 21st. Are there any corrections?

Ethan made corrections

Minutes approved.

GUEST SPEAKER: Dan King–Sodexo, Updates on New Policy

Jim O'Brien general manager of food services

Megan Helm executive chef

Some of the changes we've done are:

We started steak nights every other Saturday. We have a seafood night for a little extra flex for a plate of crab legs, salmon, and prawns. We brought back simple servings in the main server area with gluten free options all of the time, and some dairy free. In the grill, we took away offering something different everyday. We just offer everything everyday. We are allowing meals from flex to be carried over through the semesters. Just finished working with student life to work with Help a Pirate students who are going hungry in school environments. Let us know if you know anyone who needs help, it's a no questions asked. We are bringing back the roasted garlic veggie bar back soon to replace the pasta bar at dinner, while the pasta bar will remain during lunch.

Communication is key and we want to hear from you. We are so small that we can change things easily. Student surveys are coming soon and you can give us feedback.

We've been composting for several years but this year we are making it a priority. Lately, we've been working with Resource Synergy to make it work better. We just recently started a program called Lean Path. We weigh all of our waste and put it into the program so we can see what we are wasting and how much. That has brought us to restraining our staff. We have cut the waste in the kitchen by almost half.

We have a couple of organizations that we are working with to donate food when it isn't used in the dining hall. This will also reduce waste and give it to people who need it.

Food to go policy changed. We were allowing people to take food out previously even though it wasn't really allowed. However, the problem was getting exponentially worse so we are shutting it down. Since we are down about 100 freshmen, we are losing money from meal plans. We don't want to be losing too much money from students taking food out of the dining hall. If every person took an apple out, we would lose around \$20,000. Financially, we are a little tight.

If we know ahead of time that someone needs to take sack lunches, we are more than willing to work with you. You can sign up for anytime to get a sack lunch.

Guest: For the grill, is there anyway we can add some healthier options other than the burgers and such?

Yes, we are looking to add salads and other healthier options. We would love suggestions. There is still a comment box in the cafe.

Hannah U: I noticed in the coffee shop that the only dairy free options are the fruit cup and ? Also, I have noticed waste in the grill and we could ask if people want buns or something so that people aren't getting rid of things.

Savannah: I've heard a lot that it's liked how consistent something is during lunch time. I've been putting comments in about the same thing for a couple of weeks. You have chili nights on the same nights you don't have rice.

Send us thoughts at dking@whitworth.edu or come to our offices.

FVP UPDATES: Shaun Fisher
Club Updates

Bangerang Ultimate Frisbee Club

The purpose of our club has three main goals: have a lot of fun playing frisbee, build camaraderie, and win lots of games and tournaments. We want to spread one of the fastest growing sports in the world with the Whitworth community. We have practices and play in tournaments around Spokane and in Idaho. We've had a few in the fall and we have a few in the spring including one at PLU this weekend, and WSU in two weeks. We practice on

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2-4pm unless there's a lot of snow. We had like 60 people come participate in our hat tournament in the beginning of the year. We went to Big Sky Gun Show in Montana. We always do scrimmages with Gonzaga. At this point we are moving more into the competitive part of the year so it's the time where we need commitment. We have about 20 people who are fully committed to give money and buy jerseys. We are looking to host our own tournament here to show off our club.

Spikeball

Our main purpose is to create a network for Spikeball enthusiasts. We have some events coming up. We are very dependent on open grass to play. We are meeting Fridays in Arend in the second lounge from 3-5pm. We are hoping to do two tournaments, one at Spring Fest, and one for Saturday April 21st. We are looking to requisition some funds for that to provide shirts. Go look at our Facebook page called Whitworth Spikeball Club.

Capital : \$15,975

Unallocated : \$3,118.19

Budget committee is coming up, but I would like to see if there's any interest for people to join. All students pay an ASWU fee for several things that are on campus. Being a part of that committee, would be time commitments two times this semester and it looks really good on a resume that you have helped allocate funds of half a million dollars. I need four voting members that are in the assembly: Ethan Clardy, Savannah Heath, Jacob Seo, Gracie Meiners, Alex Mowrey, Hannah Underwood, Sarah Haman. I need at least two non-voting members: Hannah Palmer, William Tadlock, Michala Mulligan, Kamau Chege, Andrew Schroll, Paige Perkins, Katie Rose.

PRESIDENT UPDATES: Jeff DeBray

ASWU Resolution - Discussion & Vote

No official president updates.

Jeff: In response to feedback from students and the need to take action, ASWU members wrote a resolution regarding undocumented students and supporting them. We had the senators go into the community and talk with constituents about the issue and the resolution.

Read by Savannah Heath.

Jeff: What feedback have you gotten from communities? What are your initial thoughts?

Ethan: I had a Warren Town Hall last night and we went over the resolution. Residents signed the sheet without being asked and it was really special.

Gracie: I sent this email out and a summary of it. I got a lot of feedback and most of it was super positive and in support of this.

Sarah H: I also sent out an email with a survey of why they should pass or fail it. 100% of the participants voted to pass the resolution.

Savannah: The people I talked to had a general consensus of heck yeah.

Tucker: Samesies for the Duv.

Martin: A lot of support.

Amber: A lot of the responses were very positive.

Jeff: Any concerns?

Hunter: Two students asked what their place was with this topic and where's the place that ASWU takes a stance on a national issue?

Jeff: The way I view it, is that this a particular issue that affects WHitworth students and their families. That's when the role of student government comes into protect their students.

Kamau: The bylaws say that any voting assembly member can propose a resolution and if it passes, then it becomes the policy of ASWU.

Sarah H: I remember in our meeting on Friday that there was an amendment, was that changed?

Yes

Alex: I move to approve the resolution as is.

Approve: 17

Oppose: 0

Abstaining: 0

PASSES

Jeff: We will spread this resolution to the Whitworth community. Email your residents and let students know. I will be communicating this to administration to update them. I know there's some stuff going on next week with DACA and DREAMers as well. This is a good document to have to communicate our position and defending our community.

Resolutions don't happen often and the last time for ASWU was 2015 and the time before that was 2007. These are really important topics and will be available to see forever.

EVP UPDATE: Dylan Reyes (Shelby Krug proxy)

Shelby: I sent out the election time table and include them in your newsletters.

Student Highlights

- Daniel Moore and Nora Riches (proxies)

Senator Job Description - Discussion and Vote

Savannah: We don't have a zone rep in Ballard, so if we could keep (e) just for us.

Sarah H: I thought off-campus has it's own job description so we don't need to add it to this one.

Alex: I would like to keep (d) in the job description so that there can be more service projects.

Sarah H: I think that when that was unofficially dropped down to reps, I think it was because we don't get paid enough for adding a service project.

Ethan: I definitely feel like I'm working over 10 hours a week and I don't think I could take on an entire service project by myself.

Amber: I agree with Alex and it could go so well with some of the things we are already doing.

Alex: I don't necessarily want anymore events on this campus but I think we could integrate a service orientation with the current events that we already put on.

Claire: What has worked well in the past for coordinating service projects with community and will senator/zone rep together?

Sarah H: An example of Boppell is that we do a multicultural potluck in order to incorporate. We could amend (d) by perhaps saying that we could integrate a residence hall service project into preexisting events.

Alex: I like using the word "coordinating" because it's more broad and allows people to go at it their own way.

Kamau: I agree with the struggles that we don't get paid enough for a lot of the events that happen and that for the future, we should restructure the events and stuff that is happening so that we are not all doing so much.

Tucker: I think "coordinating is good"

Amber: I move to amend the previous corrections so that we keep (d) in the job description.

Approved: 16

Opposed: 1

Abstaining: 0

PASSED

Sarah H: I move to amend the addition of off-campus senator to the senator job description.

Approved: ALL

Alex: I move to approve all other recommended changes for senator job description.

Approved: ALL

PASSED

ByLaws Amendment

Hannah U: I don't think that students should be limited to campaigning for one position if

they fail in running for another position. The calling happens the same night so they would know where they have the opportunity to run.

Daniel: We said that if you are campaigning with word of mouth, then you are still campaigning. You shouldn't be allowed to do two because there can be unfair advantages if you are running for an executive position.

Gracie: This doesn't mean that you can't apply for a coordinator position and a senator position right?

Daniel: Coordinator is different because you are informed about if you are hired before elections.

Savannah: I want to agree with Daniel because I don't think you should be able to run for two elected positions because there are other opportunities to be involved in leadership opportunities.

Daniel: If you are extremely invested in ASWU, you can run for other positions to be involved.

Hannah U: I think you should be allowed to show interest in more than one position. It wouldn't be like running for two positions. My proposition is to take out the campaigning bit and they are allowed to ask people to write their name in for another position so that it's technically not applying for another position. It allows for people to have more opportunities to get another position.

Kamau: A voting member of the assembly should suggest for clarification that someone couldn't apply for multiple positions, and can simply talk about another position. Can someone apply for more than one coordinator positions? I heard you only need two signatures or write-ins to get in the primaries.

Celisse: Yes, I don't think there's a reason why-not.

The write-ins have to have more votes than the people running.

Alex: I move to approve the SEC amendments as is.

Approved: 12

Opposed: 5

Abstaining: 0

PASSES

REPORTS & VIBES

Elisha: Outdoor rec coordinator/UREC - hiring for about 10 different positions, laser tag in a couple of weeks and there's going to be 16 teams. March 12 from 6-10pm. Snowshoe hike

this Saturday and a skivan. More trips coming up also. Spring Break trips are almost filled with two spots left going to Utah. Be on the lookout for hiring for next year.

Michaela Mulligan: on March 14th, there's the national walk-out and many schools are taking different stances on it. Some are saying that it's considered an absence and will go on your record. I would like to know Whitworth's stance.

Rachel: If someone could help me with Unplugged at 7, that would be great. Also, there was a conference with a bunch of plumbers and it took up a lot of space from students. I was just wondering if anyone knew about that or if we are starting to have events here that are not related to Whitworth.

Celisse: Facilities was having a training day. If someone got a ticket on their car for that day because of parking, they should appeal it.

Nora: Check out the front page of the Whitworthian. It's about Stewart windows. Send out primetime calendars by 6pm tomorrow night to Shelby for the master prime time calendars will be ready Friday night or Saturday morning.

Sarah D: As a student at large, for senators I have talked to Ethan...Students have a lot of insecurities about several things and I am coordinating with high schools to form a drive to collect hygiene things and such for them. I would appreciate anyone who wants to partner with me.

Mae: If you know that you're residents are looking for summer jobs, facilities hires 50-60 students every summer.

Danny: Hypnotist is this Saturday, please share on Facebook. It will be at 7pm.

Kamau: It's the end of Black History Month and I've gotten really great feedback about the black dot posters.

RECOGNITION/CALL TO ORDER

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Meeting ends at 6:37pm.