

ASWU Minutes 4.15.15

- I. Call to order: Ian- 5:00pm
- II. Mission Statement: Benjamin
- III. Minutes: Approved!
- IV. Welcome Guests
- V. Forrest Buckner: Dean of Spiritual Life **(10 min)**
 - a. Forrest: Grew up in Colorado, studied engineering and played football in college. Worked at a church in Boulder, CO for 9 years, met my wife and had 2 daughters. Finished up there and went to Pasadena for 9 months to finish masters of divinity, and we realized we needed more school. Applied for PhD programs in St. Andrew's Scotland to do PhD. Heard about the Whitworth job and when I was offered the job I was delighted to take it! Starting up in July, just submitted my thesis 2 weeks ago. I will graduate in June and we'll all hop on a plane and head over this way!
 - b. Matt: What was the life process like going from engineering to theology?
 - c. Forrest: When I started at Colorado School of Mines...I didn't grow up in a home where faith was a part of life. Started learning about Jesus in high school. Led FCA group in college. Not a Christian college but we were an official club. When I was finishing college, my youth pastor was leaving and encouraged me to apply for the job. At first I thought they wouldn't hire me but people kept asking about it so I thought it would be something good to pursue. I felt like this path was the one for me. I still love math and science though!
 - d. Sam: What goals do you have for what chapel will look like?
 - e. Forrest: My biggest goal is to listen, get to know you, the faculty and staff, see what God is doing in the ministries. I want to learn about the different groups of people, that's what the first year will be about and

then we'll go from there. I hope for this to be a campus where everyone can get a better idea of who Jesus is and what that means. That doesn't happen from one thing, it's happening in a million way son campus and I want to encourage that.

- f. Joshua: What's one thing that attracted you to Whitworth?
- g. Forrest: The mission of Whitworth, mind and heart education, that's who I am. Learning growing up was really important, when I became a Christian I didn't forget about the learning part. The more I learned about Whitworth, that's what I think about the gospel. It's about me and Jesus as a part of the world and serving- I began to feel that Whitworth matches me, my story, my background, etc. It was kind of more than you could ask or imagine- it felt like was this job description written for me? I look forward to getting to know you all more.

VI. Club Updates **(5 min)**

- a. **Longboarding club**
- b. Orion: In the past we had a longboard building event- a month ago- and we will do it again this weekend. The first one we only had 6 boards but this is what we're trying to do- make boards and get people longboarding. Also this weekend we'll be doing a lesson and deciding our t-shirt. Like our longboard Whitworth university facebook page!
- c. Bre: How much does it cost to make one of those boards?
- d. Orion: \$30 for the body and the trucks/wheels would run \$115.
- e. Matt: Can you explain the process of making a longboard?
- f. Orion: We first purchase our wood and laminate them with glue to make a half inch board. (explains process further).
- g. Benjamin: Do you have anything set up for when you're not around to make the boards any more?

- h. Orion: I feel like it might cease to exist, I've been using all my tools and everything that I've had, I don't know anyone else who has all of that. Hopefully by senior year I'll figure out who to pass it on to.
- i. Bre: Can you make other shapes of boards?
- j. Orion: You have to program it but you can do whatever design.
- k. **Symposium**
- l. Speaker: Symposium is a student-led group in which students can have a forum to present academic research. We've had 4 presentations this year on a variety of topics. The next one is April 22 at 7:00pm discussing Christian response to sexual education. Over the summer we will have an open application to apply for first lecture for next year. We will also be having board of director applications- if interested in applying send a symposium member an email.
- m. Jenna: Do you have another lecture in the spring?
- n. Speaker: We had an evolution one and we have the sex education one next week.
- o. Benjamin: How has the success of your year been?
- p. Speaker: We have about 50 people attending, we've established a more formal structure and organization. We've laid down a framework we're hoping will allow it to be continually successful. We're not seeing a dropoff in quality.
- q. Kelsey: Why only 5 a year?
- r. Speaker: To strike a balance between quality and quantity of speeches. We want to maximize the quality of each presentation as much as we can.

VII. Investment Club **(10 min)**

- a. Kevin: Every semester they give a presentation to the endowment subcommittee for the board of trustees.
- b. Ashley: I brought our annual report. President this year of WSIG.
- c. Joe: Junior and analyst, VP elect for next year. We meet every Thursday at 6:15am. Open to everyone, we talk about political events, financial markets, markets, etc. We bring in speakers throughout the year. We had one recently who spoke on his strategies for investment. Every week we have a stock pitch. We want to focus on our goal as an investment group- continued learning. Educating ourselves, making investments, etc. We have real risks and responsibilities. We also have weekly sector meetings.
- d. Ashley: We had our Chartered Financial Analyst team in a local competition with local schools. They won this competition. Had to take Avista and value it to find out whether they should buy hold or sell. They had to submit a written report and do an oral presentation. Flew to Atlanta yesterday, competing in the national competition tomorrow. If they win nationally they will go to the international competition.
- e. Joe: We have network events throughout the year. Attended CFA dinner. Also mock finance interviews this spring. This spring also 4 of us attended the Quinnipiac G.A.M.E. Forum. It was a great opportunity to go hear from professionals about trends, the market, etc.
- f. Ashley: Another thing we added this year was community service, we feel that we should give back. We've been to Christ Kitchen and House of Charity. We've been given so much from the trustees we want to give back. Also this year on the second floor of Weyerhaeuser we have the H.H. "Larry" Larison Trading room. There's an interactive screen, ticker, 8 workstations, software package. This year we have 30 analysts-

most are upperclassmen. You can know absolutely nothing and still join our group. There will be a big push to grab those sophomores next year. We have 10+ majors represented. We had 7 affiliates work to become analysts this year. Once you're an analyst you get voting rights in the group.

- g. **Joe:** Example of what we do- chart showing realized gain for 2014. (Companies that we've bought or sold). We also have unrealized gain-companies we currently own but haven't realized yet. We hold 4 companies.
- h. **Ashley:** Our members are doing really well, tons of people have jobs and internships. Our whole health sector has either a job if they're a senior or an internship if they're a junior. Mock interviews also really help us out.
- i. **Jerrica:** I know we skipped the goals, but last time you had the goal of investing 70% of your portfolio, have you done that?
- j. **Ashley:** It's hard to track. We've held 11 stocks this year- average roughly 60% for what we invested. Everything is fairly valued
- k. **Jordan:** If you make money does it go back to the university or go to you?
- l. **Ashley:** The \$100,000 stays with us and anything we make continues to grow. A lot of endowments start small and gain donations to get bigger.
- m. **Sam:** On the ticker there's some companies that Whitworth wouldn't be allowed to invest in. Would it be possible to remove those but put on the tickers that were currently investing in?
- n. **Ashley:** That's just the S&P500, it's up to date information. After that there's 4 or 5 stocks that we hold or have held. Some problems with it not recognizing some companies.

- o. Joe: Ultimately it's up to the group members to decide which companies to invest in. There's almost no company in the entire financial market that doesn't have some sort of ethical or environmental issue. We look at financial strength as #1.

VIII. Sarah Streyder

- a. Sarah: Our mission to challenge any student to go an entire week to only use gender neutral bathrooms. The purpose is: 1) to cultivate genuine empathy. By going a week as someone who has to structure their schedule around where and when they can go is meant to be a physical representation of what they go through. 2) To create awareness of changes that are happening on our campus. We're trying to raise accessibility rate to 51% by next year I think. By creating awareness students become more accustomed to this change in culture. It's only when you're going to the bathroom. Showering, etc use your own bathroom. It's meant to stand out in your day. On or off campus.
- b. ASWU member: Is there any competition/incentive aspect?
- c. Sarah: No it's all voluntary.
- d. Ian: How are you getting the word out?
- e. Sarah: Made an announcement, posters, there's a possibility the ISC will send out an email.
- f. Raleigh: Are you having any follow-ups for those who participated?
- g. Sarah: My hope would be that it be incorporated into a primetime. Mostly going through CDA's in the dorms.

IX. FVP (10 min)

- a. Club Charter: Off the Page
- b. Kevin: We recommended that they be chartered.

- c. Speaker: A spoken word poetry club, hopefully will turn into a competing slam poetry team. Right now we're trying to get interest. It's a good way to discuss uncomfortable things. (reads club statement).
Ashton has brought a few poets on campus- as a club we would try to work with cultural events coordinator to put on events. Trying to get an event put on by this Spring- difficult, but we've talked to competing poets willing to come over here. We will also try to have students perform.
- d. Lauren: Would you like to send anyone to Boppell Smoothie House?
- e. Sure
- f. Step Out
- g. Erika: He said they would want funds- would we give them startup funds when we charter?
- h. Kevin: no that's a separate process.
- i. Motion to charter, second
- j. Club chartered!**
- k. Updates
- l. Kevin: Finance committee gave money to students going to WPA in Las Vegas. Had our last club council of the year. We spent some time having people talk about recent/upcoming events, cool to see how many things are happening. Luau is April 25. WhitCon is April 19. ACM club had a hacking competition. League of Pirates had a League of Legends tournament. HOLA brought a taco truck. Japanese Visual Cultural Club went to SakuraCon. Students for Life are going to a conference this weekend. History club will have an event where they play songs at Dale Soden's house and hang out. Ultimate had a tournament and placed second. Next week is mental health awareness week.

X. Reports & Vibes (20 min)

- a. Kelsey: Danny is sick but he hired his GM!
- b. Katie: We hired our editor in chief.
- c. Erika: We will go crazy at Wonderland on Friday. 4-8pm.
- d. Samantha: Pass
- e. Raleigh: Haley and I went to tech and landscape committee- they're putting in a new water fuel line. New line so we can be up to code and have reserve water. BJ is getting a huge update. Mac showers revamped, carpet, fire alarms, etc. Music building update got approved- almost fully funded. Talked about Costa Rica center- up for sale. No one has purchased it yet. Gala- need 2 more dealers. 10-11 timeslot. Mocktails will be ridiculous. We need help with setup and takedown. Event is from 8-12. It's all free- no \$5 entry. It's going to be a lot of fun. Senators talk to leadership teams to have primetimes be roaming. I can buy more masks for primetimes too. All beads and masks are free. Set up Saturday 5-6pm.
- f. Jenna: Pass
- g. Jordan: T-shirt designs made by our very own Lauren. Straw vote for each one. The shirt is the background color. (takes vote- blue shirt wins) Event manager app- would take all of our events going on and would allow you to add stuff going on, etc. Club, sports, intramurals, etc. also other cool things like lost and found. Would bring a lot of things into one place. We're having a conference call on Friday probably at 11:00am. Intramurals are great.
- h. Kai: For Raleigh- I've been talking to people. I know what's going on for Gala but I don't feel like a lot of people do.

- i. Raleigh: Lots of people are wondering. We will do massive emails, the facebook and instgram are catching, and I will build a giant sign to hang off the staircase.
- j. Skyler: Planning Duvall Drive-in. we picked a movie, Big Hero 6.
- k. Ashton S: 60 visiting high school students coming tomorrow through Saturday. CDA event on the 20th, made a film called Diverse like Me. 6-7pm.
- l. Marianne: Pass
- m. Ashton L: From 11-6:30 is when seniors can pick up their caps and gowns, Next Tuesday. The fair will be from 11-1, raffles, etc.
- n. Jerrica: Less than 24 of being East, naming ceremony tomorrow. Will be changing the dorm name to Oliver. We had a department chairs meeting. Needing for both advisors to sign off on class schedule if you're double majoring, thinking we really only need one. Tabled- changing the Jan term calendar for 2018. Carol Simon talked about funding students going to conferences. We had lots of opinions.
- o. Jessica: Pass
- p. Saige: Pass
- q. Alicen: Warren Peace was super cool. I think people enjoyed it being outside.
- r. Bre: Pass
- s. Lauren: Outside Boppell Smoothie House has been moved to the 30th. Still looking for performers.
- t. Joshua: Pass
- u. Benjamin: Elected a new senator for next year. About the showers- we've been having a conversation for a while, about partitions going up in the communal showers. Meeting with an RA and Matthew and Josh

talking about survey results and what that will look like. Frisbee discs were ordered but were lost. Weren't printed until yesterday, finally on their way. BMac in Concert is Sunday April 26.

- v. Ian: Have you gotten the survey results?
- w. Benjamin: We've had 58-59 guys respond to the most recent survey. Had a prime time and talked about the issue for a long time. Most people responding are in favor of communal showers, but we're trying to open the door to those conversations to people less comfortable with that setting.
- x. Ian: What's the argument for keeping communal showers?
- y. Benjamin: There are a number of things- the biggest one that I've been most convinced by is it helps people feel more comfortable with their body image. Uncomfortable setting at first- I know that over 95% of the respondents say it has improved body image, feeling comfortable in their own skin. Tradition, shower parties and fun events. Sometimes basketball hoops. It is something guys recognize as fostering the community of Mac. When you're most vulnerable people feel like there are relationships that are built.
- z. Ian: Student life wants to put them up for safety and comfort reasons but I think you bring up some great arguments. Let us know how your meeting goes.
- aa. Ashley: it seems like if everyone in the dorm is ok with it, then its fine but are incoming freshmen told that Mac has communal showers so they can choose whether or not to live there?
- bb. Benjamin: We're working on putting that fact in the description for Mac. I think its brought up in some settings but not all.
- cc. Dayna: Are there any private bathrooms at all?

- dd. There's one private shower on 1st floor. It has a curtain, it's a bathtub kind of shower.
- ee. Dayna: Did you bring up the thought of having some of both?
- ff. Benjamin: Yes we've talked about that. Trying to figure out what's most practical.
- gg. Dayna: During the summer we have different groups on campus, can rarely use Mac because of communal showers. Practically speaking its hard to use that building and also the transgender issue if we're trying to make a safe space on campus.
- hh. Ian: I would say also about transgender- different sexual orientations etc.
- ii. Jordan: I think it's one of those things if you surveyed the campus- who thinks we should have gender-neutral bathrooms many people wont care but they're not affected by it. I don't think deciding on the majority is appropriate because there will still be seriously affected people.
- jj. Matt: Food Forest is going well- last week we had a planting day. Let me know about service projects. Next week is Earth Day- events during the week. Washington Higher Education Sustainability hour- live streaming a conference. Monday April 20 from 4-5. Variety of topics will be discussed. April 23- Kipos will be hosting sustainable agriculture panel. Current issues with agriculture and farming. 7-8pm in RTT. Earth Day Fair/Festival, Saturday April 25 11-2 Lied Square.
- kk. Katie: Elaine proxy. Pass.
- ll. Haley: Trustee meeting was great. Sunday at 7:00 hosting a girls night.
- mm. Laurel: Branches concert this Friday, 8:00 dining hall. Cold Mountain Yeti will be opening, don't need a swipe to get in. 23rd I'm showing American Sniper.

nn. Niehls: Climbing competition this Saturday. Register in the UREC up until Saturday, giving away prizes, etc.

oo. Graham: Everyone off campus- there will be unlimited mini golf, unlimited go-karts, bumper boats, etc. This Friday at Wonderland.

pp. Jordan: Is theme house considered off campus? (yes)

qq. Graham: Bring your ID.

rr. Jacob: Heather Lenhardt- intern with Hoopfest said they wont sponsor t-shirts but they will sponsor games for Springfest. Corn hole, basketball shootout, etc. Will bring their own prizes.

ss. Ali: For the marketing committee for Springfest we're having a photo booth and we need volunteer photographers. If anyone knows of someone who might be interested let me know.

XI. EVP (5 min)

a. Announcements

b. Eli: Do your timecards.

c. Election Results

d. Eli: Next year's ASWU body. Great voting turnout.

e. Jordan: Would you accredit that to physical and online votes?

f. Eli: No I would say it was both. I think we found the two best ways to do it. Off campus online, on campus paper ballots.

g. Lauren: What percentage of off campus voted?

h. Eli: About 40% and we got about 70% of on campus. We broke 50% for all of campus, about 1,200 voters. SEC deserves the biggest hug. We had a strong force of people not even part of ASWU.

i. Kevin: Budget committee- remember the 15 minute chunk you signed up for. You're presenting for about 7 minutes and make sure you

highlight how you spent your money and have the new coordinator go over what they're hoping to spend next year. Do not be late.

j. Kelsey: If we have materials do you want them before hand?

k. Kevin: Yes please send things to me and Ali beforehand.

XII. President (10 min)

a. Announcements

b. Ian: Trustee week going on right now on campus. Tomorrow at 3:15 at East they will have the naming ceremony. Tomorrow we will be giving our presentation to the board to talk about the resolution at 4pm.

c. Jordan: Next week is run by next year's execs?

d. Ian: No next week is our last meeting but the 29th will be run by the new execs.

e. Ian: Recognition...Alicen and Saige! Warren Peace was awesome. You guys incorporated a lot. Music, magic, etc. There was a lot of different stuff. So happy to see that it was outside. Great work!

f. Ian: ...Eli! I couldn't bring it to you right now but I know election week is sometimes a battle, the online system can be fickle but great work and thank you for what you put in.

g. Kelsey: At 7 Lauren is speaking about our new cool major.

h. Joshua: Shoutout to the ASWU sweatshirts.

i. Raleigh: Is there any other update to Springfest in the past couple days? Walkthrough?

j. Jacob: Haven't set that up yet but they will come. Wants to do it next week.

k. Jessica: Ultimate capture the flag game is happening tomorrow.

l. Raleigh: Anyone not a Whitworth student is allowed to go to the gala, \$5 fee.

m. Erika: Shoutout to Graham for bartering with Wonderland.

XIII. For the good of the order

XIV. Adjourn 6:31pm