



We, the Associated Students of Whitworth University, are dedicated to building an inclusive and equitable atmosphere by serving the holistic student body. We will advocate for the well-being of all students, collaborate with campus partners to provide proactive support, and uplift the diverse experiences within all aspects of our community.

2021-22 ASWU Meeting Minutes | November 3, 2021

In Attendance:

Rachel Ayres President	present
Chris Clay Vice President	present
Abby Douglas Financial Director	present
Grant Hill Communications Director	present
Hannah Sommerville Campus Activities Coordinator	present
Georgia Goff School Spirit Coordinator	present
Tristy Osbon Sustainability Coordinator	present
Aidan Walsh Senior Class Coordinator	present
Aeron Sugui Marketing/PR Coordinator	present
Sienna Buster Traditional Events Coordinator	present
Jenna Breedlove Spiritual Life Coordinator	present
Jessica Lopez-Ramirez Cultural Events Coordinator	present
Jamie Copeland Club Coordinator	present
Christian Aguilar Outreach Coordinator	present
Grace Johnson Oliver Senator	present
Hans Tamminga McMillan Senator	present
Katelynn Diaz Ballard Senator	late
Adaeze Njoku Boppell Senator	absent
Larkin Dean Duvall Senator	present
Logan Spencer Warren Senator	proxy

Ethan Strand Arend Senator	present
Rebecca Kay Stewart Senator	present
Kyle Marquez Baldwin-Jenkins Senator	present
Reeshika Sharma Off-Campus Senator	present
Michael Lie International Student Senator	absent
Cameron Joslyn Neighborhood Senator	present
Munya Fashu-Kanu Off Campus Rep	late
Marie Fenske Off Campus Rep	present
Courtney Cossette Off Campus Rep	present
Jamie Furr Off Campus Rep	proxy
Makayla Pugmire Off Campus Rep	present
Michelle Lie Incoming Student Rep	absent
Elisa Vigil Incoming Student Rep	present
Hannah Loesch Village Rep	absent

Meeting brought to order at 1700.
Mission statement read by Michael B.

Motion to Approve Minutes

Moved by Cam, Seconded by Kyle

Discussion: None

In favor: 14 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining 0
Motion passes

Club Coordinator Updates

Jamie C: Today we have Jay from Chess Club and a video from Association of Computing Machinery

- Chess Club

Jay: HI I'm Jay Philips. I am a junior and representing the chess club at Whitworth. We have 2 officers- the president which is myself and our Vice President Austin Fogel. Our goal is to provide opportunities for all members to

improve chess playing skills. I think it's important to provide an inclusive environment in the club. Some of my friends wouldn't have met without the chess club. Our meetings are once a week every Monday from 7pm-9pm in Westminster 113. As far as attendance, none of our members have to go each week. It's an open house so you can come for any amount of time. We are not demanding participation. Every week we send our newsletters out. These give updates about things in the club as well as chess puns as well. Sometimes we have a tournament in the newsletter. In other things, in the past chess is dominated by males. We have a small handful of female members who come occasionally. As far as our vision for future, we haven't had any tournaments yet. We are having a grand tournament at the end of spring next year. That's all. Any questions?

Jamie: What is your contact?

Jay: Jayphillips23@my.whitworth.edu

Rachel: Is your sister Emma?

Jay: Yes

Elisa: Do you have an advisor?

Jay: Technically yes. I am not sure if he is still a professor here. He never comes to the meetings.

Makayla: Do you have plans to be more approachable to getting more female students in the club or are you hoping to just generate interest naturally and see that demographic shift.

Jay: We want to be as accepting as we can to female members. We are welcoming and we teach beginners as well.

- Association of Computing Machinery

Caleb: Hi my name is Caleb Grode, I am the president of the Association of Computing Machinery. The ACM is Whitworth's computer science club and we mainly focus on hosting academic and professional development events for the department as a whole. This includes things such as coding competitions,

resume workshops, our start up weekend, and most recently we launched a mentorship program for underclassmen students. For our meeting times, we don't meet on a regular basis. It is more of an event-to-event basis. If you are interested in those you can check out the computer science discord or the computer science department emailing lists on blackboard, which every computer science student is signed up for. The best way to contact me is through email. My email is cgrode22@my.whitworth.edu. The club is doing pretty well this year. We have around 40 new members to our emailing list where they can learn what we are hosting. Things are going well. Thanks.

Guest Presentation

Rachel: We have a person from the UREC here today to give a short presentation.

Telmen: Hi everyone I am Telmen I am from Mongolia. Today I want to tell you that you should look for November activities from the UREC. Winter carnival is coming, and events will be held on Nov 12th in the UREC from 7pm to 10pm. We will have fun things like activities, games, sports things, and lots of fun. It is not an ordinary event. There is a raffle as well. Next is the ski and snowboard film festival on November 18th in the Hub on the first floor. There are amazing prizes including free lift tickets at ski resorts. It will be a fun event. If you're interested, please come. Intramurals are next. The signups were supposed to close October 29th but extended to today to sign up. If you want to sign up, please sign up it will be fun. They close tonight at midnight. There are also outdoor activities on Saturday. They are going to Tubbs Hill. It's beautiful. It costs \$7 with food included. I went there and it was beautiful. For winter you can still go on trips. Please spread the news. Also, there is a class in Jan term for skiing and snowboarding. You can take the class and the course fee is 285 dollars for transport and rentals and lift tickets. If your interested sign up. My email is on the screen. You can contact me through this or Instagram.

Financial Director Updates

Capital: 19,200

Unallocated: 18,860

Travel: 5,780

Requisition:

Abby: These are account totals right now. We have a requisition today. (References excel sheet) This is the original and some of our adjusting. The original thought by Cam was \$30 a house. Then it was \$50 dollars per house. The far right is what the finance committee recommends. We landed on 35 per house. The total cost of the event is \$1060. Cam thought to use all of his senator budget. Unfortunately, Cam is leaving us and so next semester we didn't want to leave the new neighborhood senator with \$0 so the finance committee thought we would subsidize half that so that we can leave the next senator with \$175 which is exactly half of his original budget. That's our thought process on the far-right column. Now I would entertain a motion to approve this requisition.

Motion to Approve Requisition for Funding for the Neighborhoods Progressive Dinner Event on November 6th, 2021

Moved by Makayla, Seconded by Larkin

Discussion:

Abby: I will set a 3-minute timer

Makayla: What is the 19 hours?

Abby: It should say houses.

Makayla: Is the 35 dollars per house meant to just cover ingredients?

Cam: Correct. It is now 16 houses, so it is 105 dollars less in the requisition

Abby: The houses did have a way to opt out of the event and so we did have this under the agreement that if one house goes down the amount goes down by \$35. Any other questions?

In favor: 16 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining 0

Motion passes

President Updates

- Jan Term Plan

Rachel: We need to know who will be here for Jan term. Lots of us are travelling abroad and some are staying home. I will ask for a show of hands for people who are staying here. If you don't know, let us know and email me. Keep them up. It will be a smaller team.

- Other

Rachel: I have two things for you. I was copied on an email from Whitworth leadership, and they were sharing student data about voting. Last year was the presidential vote and they count college votes across the national and compare school percentages to each other. Our rate jumped 15.2% so 75.2% of students voted in 2020 which exceeds nation rate average at 66%. It was election time this week as well. Go vote. On another point, tomorrow in Alabama our past president Beck Taylor will be inaugurated so be thinking of him and his family. They are having full on ball for him. I am jealous and wanted to share. That is all.

Vice President Updates

- Town Hall Gift Card Winners

Chris: As you know a survey was sent out and completed last week at. We had at least 220 participants. 77 people sent in survey links to show they participated. I was going to do a raffle to show what numbers get selected for Uber gift cards. We are finding out now. Siri choose a number between 1 and 77. 63. Siri choose another number between 1 and 77. 26. Il let them know who won.

- Meeting with Sodexo

Chris: Michael and Michelle and I are meeting with Sodexo next week to discuss options for pork alternatives and supply demands and engage with students to get better resources for those who don't eat pork. I'll let you know what day that occurs, but it is next week.

- Events

Chris: For senators and representatives please prepare your events for the semester. Reach out if you need ideas or assistance let me know I would love to support you.

- Meal Cards

Chris: We will provide meal cards to those, prioritized for off campus and neighborhoods, who came to the meeting today. They are for Sodexo to eat dinner with us as a team.

- Student Highlight

Chris: Feven Endale is our student highlight this week. Her participation in Monster Mash was great and she had good songs for DJ. I will have gift card for you to have free drink from the pines or cafes across campus.

Coordinator Spotlight

Rachel: Today we hear from Jenna to tell us about her position.

Jenna: Hi I'm Jenna the spiritual life coordinator. I bounce between ASWU and campus ministry. This role is not exclusively for Christians because not everyone is Christian. I get to figure out what it means to uplift spiritual life on campus. Whitworth claims that it is best Christian University for the non-Christian. I get to figure out what this means on campus and how we can support this and keep this statement true. I do this through interfaith work and work to bring speakers and interfaith dialogue events like one with Muslim and Christian scholars. It will be a cool event in the spring. Also, I do this job through prayer I am Christian and its important to me that I have a prayer request box in my office and will pray for you. It doesn't have to be requests, but also good things happening as well. It is open for your constituents as well and praying for the institution. I pray before GE each week at 2. I uplift campus ministry and work with CMCs and GAMIs and Emily Reidt our biblical justice coordinator. I support and encourage them.

Past Events

No past events

Upcoming Events:

- Diwali

Jessica: Hi everyone. Diwali is coming up. I've been working with Reeshika for the event. Its Friday from 7-9pm. If you don't know about Diwali, it's a festival of lights and a big holiday. We will have fun things happening like traditional

games like musical chairs and others, and a henna station. We are catering naan, curry, vegetables, and rice.

Reeshika: Please come! We have a list for sign-ups.

Jessica: Can we have sign ups? We are looking for help for set up and food serving. Set up is at 5:45pm and the event goes to 9pm. We need someone to help pick up with Reeshika because they don't do delivery. It's this Friday November 5th. We need help setting up decorations, games, and serving food. 5pm for food pickup.

Larkin: Where is the event?

Jessica: HUB MPR

Emma: I have a question. For the games are they separated from everything or at the same time as the food.

Jessica: Food and music starts at 7pm and games start at 8pm. Musical chairs and a cup game and henna are all happening at 8.

Emma: Do you have a Spotify I can add music too.

Jessica: If you know Aditi, she is in charge of music.

Makayla: Can we ask constituents to help with henna?

Jessica: Yes

- Etiquette Dinner

Rachel: It is for international students. Sign up on handshake. Talk to Michael for more questions.

- Neighborhoods Progressive Dinner

Cam: I am excited and terrified. Pray for me. It should be good. 16 houses are making food and have told me except my house. I am excited for this. Potluck but at multiple locations. You get a plate and go on an adventure and eat later at the end. Tent heaters will be out there because there is a 50% chance of rain.

We roll with the shots. I need volunteers. I need 2 people to hand out to-go boxes and utensils, and a check in for HFS. I also need 2 people for set up and tear down. It is 5-7pm on Saturday. Set up starts at 3pm up until event starts. Tear down at 7pm until its done.

- Pirate Mania

Georgia: That's me. Hi pals. Pirate mania is my big event of the year. It will knock your socks off. I don't know how many people I will need yet. It is on Tuesday November 16th from 9:30-11 in the fieldhouse. There will be foam fingers, pom poma, a hype playlist, awards, and Bessie will be there. Also pizza, free t-shirts, raffles, and more.

Chris: Can I wear a pirate costume and participate?

Georgia: We can make that work. Please hype it up to constituents and friends. I want as many people there as possible. The event is a celebration of student athletes. We are usually on Mondays, but it's split up to celebrate all athletes. This fall event is fall and winter sports and spring pirate mania is spring sports. They will look similar and celebrate different groups of people.

Makayla: Is it for students and parents?

Georgia: Just students. All the students will be getting t-shirts until supply runs out. From there on they will get pom poms or foam fingers. I have them already if you want to see them. If you want to help me make the playlist let me know.

Makayla: You can share the playlist with us and make it public.

- Late Night Karaoke and Breakfast

Hannah S: This event is November 18th from 9:30 pm until 11pm. The plan is catering from IHOP and karaoke going on. Invite your friends and come sing and eat pancakes. In the HUB MPR.

- Oliver Twist

Grace: This is a 70's themed dance, and you should all have the information for newsletters, if you still need it, contact me and I can send that over. It is coming up in 17 days so please start spreading the word! I really want to have a great turnout so hype it up because this is my first event and I'm a little nervous.

- ASWU Thanksgiving

Rachel: We have permission to use the Hawthorne house. Next week we will send out a sign-up sheet for food and dishes. If you do not have a car, someone will make a Safeway or Walmart run so you can come with. It's on the 21st from 5:30-7pm.

Constituency Reports

Neighborhoods:

Cam: Fall break was necessary. Now we are looking forward to Thanksgiving. It's a grind right now. I am interested to see how the event goes. There has been confusion and frustration.

Ballard:

Katelynn: We had a door decoration contest, so the doors are cute now. We have hot water but never lost it.

Boppell:

Not present.

Duvall:

Larkin: We are doing good. Fall break was needed. Everyone is quiet. I am planning Fenton's which is Duvall's speak easy. It is a Duvall only thing. I am hyping it up though. We are doing good.

McMillan:

Hans: This week our hot water returned thank God. That was the big thing. Basement is not flooded. 1st floor smells weird. Constituents are doing well. A couple of them appreciated break but it was short. We played games over the weekend. We are thankful for water.

Arend:

Ethan: We are good in Arend. After break, it's been quieter with primetimes. RAs are giving a chill vibe. We are still having printer problems but that is normal at this point. Everything is good

Stewart:

Rebecca: We are doing really good. Our shower curtains were replaced. All 5 curtains are replaced, and I don't know about the boy's floor yet. I will ask around. It smells bad but it is worth it. There is a plastic smell. We had a door squeaking but they fixed it. Everyone had good break. Some people said they were going to play Mariah Carey soon. Midterms went good. Primetimes were not hype and we didn't have one last night.

Baldwin-Jenkins:

Kyle: BJ is chilling. The usual. Fall break was fun. Like Arend and Stewart said, it has been lowkey with primetimes, but it is always like that. Some residents like to hang with friend groups instead of primetimes. It is sad because RAs work hard.

Incoming Student Reps:

Elisa: We are doing good. On Monday everyone got advisory emails if you are passing classes or not. It has been a wakeup call for some. It was fun to share stories from break. I have been reminding them that Thanksgiving is 2-3 weeks away.

Michelle: Not present.

Off Campus:

Reeshika: We are excited for Thanksgiving break in 3 weeks. Sending newsletters this week with survey link for students.

The Village:

Not present.

Oliver:

Grace: Oliver is good. I have sent out my order form for sweatshirts and 8 people have already ordered them! I started decorating for Christmas and the holiday season and I'm making little Christmas treats for the Oliver Leadership team! Trying to get my residents pumped for Oliver Twist, and I'm going to send out my little monthly survey soon to check in, so I'll have an update on that next week.

Warren:

Emma: We are doing alright. People are getting back to focusing on school. Lots of people left for break and sad they had to come back. It was a quiet weekend.

International Students:

Not present

Campus Vibes

Georgia: As some of you may know I did a residence hall banner competition over homecoming week. The paint did not cooperate. We did not hang them up. We are doing voting online for the best one. I took pictures to be frank a lot of paint fell off. Senators those are in your mailboxes. You don't have to take them if you don't want to. Please empty out the mailbox or toss them or hang them up to remember time together.

Makayla: Last week I talked to students who have experienced microaggressions on campus and in classrooms and professors didn't shut it down. I have concern about that. I've been talking to students about the town hall coming up. They are hopeful about that. A little concern with off campus students about lighting, so reiterating that. Some students have started carpooling and getting personal with friends for rides. Idk about COVID spreading but safety is a plus for utilizing community resources.

Jessica: I want to repeat about Diwali. There was some miscommunication. My flyers have not been advertised. Please spread the word it's this Friday. There is a giveaway in the event for free stuff. Also, cultural awareness and I-fest is coming up. I confirmed with the international club 10 minutes before the meeting. It's on November 19th and cultural awareness week is Nov 15th up until then. I'm excited about it. I will be planning more details soon and will keep you in the loop. There may be t-shirts or stickers and mugs this year.

Kyle: Lots of people liked the Jemar Tisby lecture. It was great to hear in GE as well. Refreshing to hear him speak.

Rebecca: I went as well, and people enjoyed it

Chris: I have an opportunity for volunteering. Emily Clemons, a former ASWU member, sent a link to volunteer for Lumen high school fundraiser. I will send out her sign-up sheet. If you have questions, her number is (withdrawn for privacy). It's this Saturday November 6th. The times will be sent out to sign up.

Georgia: If you don't know Lumen high school is for teen parents and do great work in the community. Help if you can.

Cam: I have heard from people that there are aggressive drivers around campus. More than just aggression. Lack of awareness. Students have been complaining on Whitworth confessions. This morning someone was crossing the road and the car on campus sped up and honked as they were crossing. It was by the music building. Please be aware of that. Catch some license plates if you see stuff.

Marie: Off campus doesn't get posters and flyers to put up so if you have events coming, send the Instagram page things to distribute. I check it all the time. We will report it on the page

Shoutouts

Rebecca: Shoutout to Telmen for sitting through the meeting.

Ethan: Shoutout to Larkin she is my rock as a new person here. She is the only reason I am half good at this.

Cam: Shoutout to Feven. That playlist was so good, and she sat through the whole event playing music. It was a decent sacrifice.

Jessica: Shoutout to Reeshika for planning the event with me. I am not aware of the culture, and she has been educating me every step. Come to the event.

Jason: Shoutout to Tyler Gamlen. He works for lighting. For Monster Mash he did cool mixing and matching for the lights and board and it looked great. Give him a pat on the back.

Georgia: Shoutout to Aeron and Grant because the work they do is unnoticed sometimes.

Rachel: Shoutout to everyone. Lots of people are ready for break but you are doing so great and thanks for putting time and energy into ASWU. Hopefully you rest this week.

Motion to Adjourn Meeting

Motion by Cam, Seconded by Rebecca

Discussion: (Ethan grunts loudly)

In favor: 15 | Opposed: 0 | Abstaining 0

Motion passes

Meeting adjourned: 1754