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Meeting Minutes for April 6, 2015

- I. **Meeting is called to order at 7:05 pm**
 - a. Moment of Silence observed for our Quaker Traditions.
 - b. Inspirational Quote
 - a. “You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream.”—C.S. Lewis
 - b. Read by Senator Murillo.
- II. **Mission Statement**
 - a. The ASWC Senate, as the governing body of the Associated Students of Whittier College, is dedicated to the betterment of the college as an institution and as a member of the broader community. The Senate shall assist on-campus clubs and organizations in creating, promoting and implementing dynamic programs and events that involve students and add value to their educational experience. This body will act as an open forum for students to voice their opinions and desires, always keeping the best interests of the ASWC in mind. In all of its actions, the Senate will serve the students first with integrity, dedication, responsibility and humility.
 - b. Read by Senator Doung.
- III. **Roll Call- Secretary Ramirez**
 - a. **Present:** President Esquer, Vice President Duarte, Treasurer Carlson, Director Allman, Director Rashid, Senator Marquez, Senator Boynton, Senator Perez, Senator Kenny, Senator Romero, Senator Jones, Senator Sanchez, Senator Smith, Senator Meuwissen, Senator Murillo, Senator Doung, Senator Lendavai, Senator Santacruz, Senator Reyes, Senator Atoya, Senator Kimball, Senator Vargas, and Senator Butler Senator Malgina.
 - b. **Absent excused:** Senator Perez, Senator Atoya
 - c. **Unexcused:**
- IV. **Minutes Amendment/Approval**
 - a. Motion to Approve Minutes from March 30th – Senator Jones.
 - a. All Minutes will be posted on Org-Sync, under “ASWC Files”

Personnel Issue

- A.
- V. **President’s Message- President Esquer**

- a. Please encourage all your constituents to vote on Wednesday.

VI. Treasurer’s Report- Treasurer Carlson

ASWC ACCOUNTS	
Executive Budget Balance:	\$ 11,614.56 est.
Reserve Account Balance:	\$ 33,259.10 est.
Total Funds Allocated:	\$ 57,464.58
TOTAL ASWC FUNDS:	
• <i>General Fund:</i>	<i>\$12,397.00</i> <i>est.</i>
Total Requests Pending:	
• <i>First Readings Pending:</i>	<i>\$9,360.03</i>
• <i>Second Readings Pending:</i>	<i>\$300.00</i>
RELATED ACCOUNTS	
Program Board Account:	\$27,389.66 est.
Media Council Account:	

VII. Constituent Reports

a. Senator Marquez

- a. Nothing new to report.

b. Senator Boynton (Freshman Class Council President)

- a. Nothing new to report.

c. Senator Kenny (Off- Campus Rep)

- a. Nothing new to report.

d. Senator Romero (Off-Campus Rep)

- A. Nothing new to report.
- e. **Senator Perez (Off-Campus Rep)**
 - a. Nothing new to report.
- f. **Senator Meuwissen (Student Body Rep)**
 - A. Nothing new to report.
- g. **Senator Smith (Student Body Rep)**
 - a. Nothing new to report.
- h. **Senator Sanchez (Student Body Rep)**
 - a. Nothing new to report.
- i. **Senator Jones (Student Body Rep)**
 - a. Nothing new to report.
- j. **Senator Murillo (Residence Hall rep)**
 - a. Tuesday 8 to 9 first yoga class and Wednesday 5 to 6 first dance class this are still going on this week.
- k. **Senator Duong (Residence Hall rep)**
 - a. Nothing new to report.
- l. **Senator Lendavai (Residence Hall rep)**
 - a. Nothing new to report.
- m. **Senator Reyes (SAAC rep)**
 - a. Nothing new to report.
- n. **Senator Atoya (SAAC rep)**
 - A. Nothing new to report.
- o. **Senator Santacruz (DC)**
 - A. Nothing new to report.
- p. **Senator Kimball (Inter-Club Council)**
 - a. We are now accepting nine nominations for organizations you can find the packet on the on the Leap page on Org Sync.
- q. **Senator Marquez (Social Justice Coalition)**
 - a. Nothing new to report.
- r. **Senator Malgina (Inter-Society council co chair)**
 - a. Nothing new to report.
- s. **Senator Butler (Inter-Society council co chair)**
 - a. Nothing new to report.

s. Senator Santacruz (DC)

VIII. Committee Reports

- a. Administrative- Vice President Duarte
 - a. Meetings are Wednesday at 2:30.
 - b. The three new bills will be voted on tonight.
 - c. The two other bills will be up for discussion.
- b. Budget- Treasurer Carlson
 - a. My committee met today and went over the 3 readings we have.
- c. Campus Relations- Dir. Rashid
 - a. ASWC Address had a good turn out this year, I hope that this event will be continued and improved.
 - b. We are now live tweeting senate minutes for those who can't make it to the meetings.
- d. Elections- Secretary Ramirez
 - a. Elections are this Wednesday make sure everyone votes through Org Sync.
- e. Program Board – Program Board Director Allman
 - a. PB will be voting in their new e-board soon. Students interested can apply.
- f. Advocacy- President Esquer
 - A. Meets Fridays at 10:30 am. In the Senate Office.
- g. Culinary- Senator Jones
 - a. We've seen a lot of improvement, however we are working towards more improvements.
- h. Environmental- Senator Vargas
 - a. For funding request we are requesting funds to improve the Wanberg garden.
- i. Student Feedback- Senator Kenny
 - a. Working to put up commuter boxes and looking to bring more recycling bins to the dorms.
 - b. Also looking to get new signs for parking.
 - c. In regards to comment boxes we have made new papers.
- j. Commuter – Senator Perez
 - a. Last Meeting Wednesday at 1 pm in the Spot. Commuters have been giving me feedback.

IX. **Public Voice** - This is the portion of the meeting for anyone who is not on the table to address any questions, comments, or concerns.

First Readings

- A. Moving Streaming Program by Res. Life
 - a. 13 in favor to hear this event
 - b. POI funding for this event will be coming out the reserve account since it would be considered a campus improvement.
 - c. Total requested for annual contract fee \$6,544.00.
 - d. The program has had 5,871 hits between January to February
 - e. We've also had numerous departments and organizations that have used this program.
- B. Math Club speaker by Math Club
 - a. Total requested \$125.
 - b. Senator Murillo motions to fast-track event.
- C. FNC Four Diamonds for Fundraiser by Fun Night Club
 - a. Hoping to bring this fundraiser to our campus to bring awareness to help children with pediatric cancer.
 - b. Total requested for food and guest speaker \$1,544.34
 - c. Senator Murillo motions to fast track event.

Daily Calendar Considerations

- A. Environmental Committee Garden by ASWC
 - A. Requesting for funds to get new equipment to improve the Wanberg garden.
 - B. Senator Boynton motions to fund the event out of the reserve account for \$1,043.92
- B. Math Club by Math Club
 - a. Senator Jones motions to fund event in the requested amount.
- C. FNC Four Diamonds for Fundraiser by Fun Night Club
 - a. Senator Romero motions to fund event in requested amount.
- D. **Miscellaneous Business**
 - a. VP Duarte- We will now be discussing the bills that will be voted on tonight.
 - b. First, the Uptown Business Award bill is to recognize business in the Whittier community that have benefited the students. Students will nominate these businesses, which will then be discussed by the Senate. All those in favor of passing the bill -16 (unanimous vote). The bill passes.
 - c. SEFA Smaller Environmental Footprint bill is to bring attention and action to the amount of water used by facilitates. Also that we partner with CIA and campus improve crew to work together toward improvements such as fixtures.

Environmental committee can suggest ideas for any projects. Essentially, any changes students hope to make will be presented to the senate and corresponding committees. All those in favor of passing this bill-unanimous vote. The bill passes.

- d. Solidified Event Evaluation bill is to ensure all organizations are correctly submitting information so that the table is clearer about the information when voting. It will hold organizations accountable. All those in favor of passing the bill-unanimous vote. The bill passes.
- e. Student Academics Affairs and Involvement bill is a bill that will ensure that counsels are developed constitutionally and that any counsels formed within departments operate successfully. This bill encourages departments rather than binding them to the bill. In regards to honor societies they can take place of a counsel however not all students in the society are not majoring in that department. This bill is being presented because students asked for this students want their departments to have a counsel. This bill is to create this committee that would reach out to the student body and departments. All those in favor of this bill. The new elected campus relations' director would be in charge of reaching to the student body and informing them about this committee. All those in favor passing this bill-unanimous vote. The bill passes.
- f. Now we will be going over second readings. First, the Funding Code Reform is make sure all organizations planning events must be registered and if they requesting a budget over must come within the first two weeks of the semester. The point of this bill is to have all events come within the first weeks of the semester so that Senate can review all budget requests, especially for big events that require a lot of funding.
- g. The Joint Ad hoc bill presented at Whittier Law School is to have a joint meeting with the rest of the student body of Whittier to discuss and advocate the needs of students. I truly believe this is one the biggest things that Senate can do to benefit both student governments and student bodies.

Announcements

- a. Senator Vargas- K-Chella this Wednesday in the court yard. Make sure to come out with your friends for food and music.
- b. Senator Kimball- student organization awards are now be nominated
- c. Director Sobers- POI organizations can nominate themselves and nominate their organizations due April 17.
- d. Director Allman- PB tomorrow will start elections for the e-board for PB at 5pm the Leap Conference room.
- e. Reyes-water polo has a game this Wednesday.
- f. Motions to adjourn meeting- Senator Marquez
- h. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm by Vice President Duarte

Respectfully Submitted by Tania Ramirez, *Secretary of ASWC*