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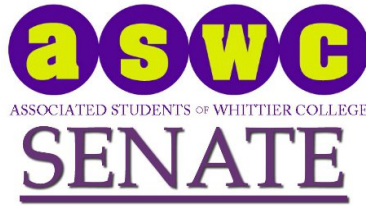
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## Meeting Minutes for February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016

- I. **Meeting is called to order at 7:09 PM**
- II. **Moment of Silence**
- III. **Inspirational quote read by Sen. Kimbell**

“Without a struggle, there can be no progress.” -Frederick Douglass

- IV. **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

**Read by Sen. Martin**

- V. **Roll Call- Secretary Duong**

- a. **Present:** Vice-President Amer Rashid, Treasurer Cesar Zamora, Director Leah Boynton, Secretary Tana Duong, Rep. McMurray, Sen. Manning, Sen. Dueñas, Sen. Michelle Ordonez, Sen. Hannah Martin, Sen. Erica Wendt, Sen. John Parviainen, Sen. Katie Clendening, Sen. Lorena Heymans, Sen. Alfredo Santacruz, Sen. Alyssa Kimbell, Sen. Rudy Marquez, Sen. Jazmin Ringgold *Media Council Representative* (Michael Willrich), Sen. Jacob Contreras, Sen. Will McKenzie, Sen. Vica Malgina Dr. Morris, Dr. Kjellberg
- b. **Absent excused:** President Robert Duarte, Director Cody Allman, Sen. Priscilla Rodriguez, Dr. Sobers
- c. **Unexcused:**

- VI. **Minutes Amendment/Approval**

- a. Approved by Sen. Wendt

- VII. **Personnel Issue**

- a. N/A

- VIII. **Guest Speaker-**

- a. N/A

- IX. **President’s Message- President Duarte**

- a. Vice-Pres. Rashid filling speaking in place of Pres. Duarte

- b. Unable to attend meeting because Pres. Herzberger requested he sat in to represent the student body at meeting
- c. Pres. Duarte and Vice-Pres. Rashid met with Pres. Herzberger to discuss concerns further details in Miscellaneous

**Treasurer’s Report- Treasurer Zamora**

<b>ASWC ACCOUNTS</b>	
<b>TOTAL ASWC FUNDS:</b>	
• <i>General Fund:</i>	<i>\$64,692.32</i>
• <i>Total Funds Allocated:</i>	<i>\$4,307.68</i>
Total Requests Pending:	
• <i>First Readings Pending:</i>	<i>\$24,691.20</i>
• <i>Second Readings Pending:</i>	<i>\$26,441.87</i>

**X. Constituent Reports**

- a. Academics Affair Council- *Sen. Dueñas*
  - i. BSAD Departmental Student Council deadline has been extended to Feb.9<sup>th</sup> at 11:55 PM so the ballot goes live on Wednesday due to technical difficulties
    - 1. Ballot will close next Wednesday
  - ii. In the process of working with Child Development departmental council as well as the Philosophy Department
  - iii. Student Academic Affairs and Involvement bill was passed last spring, there are now student councils for majors/ academic departments
    - 1. Streamlines any academic concerns
- b. First Year Class Council- *Sen. Manning*
  - i. FCC established new meeting time
  - ii. Super Bowl party in Stauffer lounge worked out very well
- c. Commuter Rep- *Sen. Ordoñez*
  - i. Working with CSA president, Sean Kenny to establish application for CSA Exec. Cabinet process to fix their constitutions- waiting for approval from advisor
- d. Residential Hall Rep- *Sen. Martin*
  - i. Still conversation regarding safety in the dorms

- 1. Encourage people to voice their concerns more to senate- because difficult to address
  - ii. Met with Res Life regarding survey results, awaiting update from the Dean
- e. Student Body Rep- *Sen. Erica Wendt*
  - i. Treas. Zamora hosted funding workshop, encourage more attendance
  - ii. A lot of positive feedback from the motion last week with the Athenian Society
- f. Student Body Rep- *Sen. Parviainen*
  - i. Few had questions regarding hours of the weight room- because it is closed
    - 1. Raise concerns if there are not enough workers or is there no exception funding to hire more students- how do we go about finding this information out?
    - 2. Sen. Wendt mentioned conditioning coach is looking to hire work study students
    - 3. Sen. Contreras, there is also an internship available
    - 4. Ask about exception funding, because depends on department budget
- g. Student Body Rep- *Sen. Clendening*
  - i. Constituents express excitement about Science Building progress
- h. Student Body Rep- *Sen. Heymans*
  - i. Constituent was unable to enter Res Hall and campus safety turned the constituent away
- i. Diversity Caucus Rep- *Sen. Santacruz*
  - i. Diversity Council met last week and discussed upcoming events in March
    - 1. Rep from Counseling Center suggested cultural event
  - ii. A lot of events in March will be confirmed and further updated
- j. Inter-Club Council Rep- *Sen. Kimbell*
  - i. ICC will be having first meeting 4:30 Club 88 on Thursday
    - 1. James Dial is scheduled to attend this meeting
  - ii. On behalf of Sen. Kimbell and Debbie, there were flyers on Student Org Workshop Series
- k. Social Justice Coalition- *Sen. Marquez*
  - i. SJC is still looking for interest in joining
- ↳ Media Council Rep- ~~*Sen. Ringgold*~~, *Michael Willrich*
  - i. 4:30, the QC is having a mixer in Ball to find writers/ editors
  - ii. Every Friday at 7:00PM in the Hartley House showing award winning Spanish Films

- iii. K-Chella expected to take place on the 6<sup>th</sup>
- iv. Update on Acropolis next week
- m. Student Athletic Advisory Committee Male Rep- *Sen. Contreras*
  - i. Spring sports began
  - ii. Men's Basketball play Chapman
- n. Student Athletic Advisory Committee Female Rep- *Sen. Rodriguez*
  - i. n/a
- o. Inter-Society Council Male Rep- *Sen. McKenzie*
  - i. Sachsen and William Penn Society request support in funding requests
- p. Inter-Society Council Female Rep- *Sen. Malgina*
  - i. The Palmer and Metaphonian societies will be requesting funding for their events this semester

## **XI. Committee Reports**

- a. Administrative- *Vice President Rashid*
  - i. Everyone really should email Vice Pres. Rashid to discuss constitution
- b. Budget- *Treasurer Zamora*
  - i. Discussed First Readings and Daily Calendar Considerations
  - ii. Will have closed budget meeting following senate meeting to discuss treasurer applications
- c. Campus Relations- *Dir. Boynton*
  - i. Tried to host meeting for committee, and only Sen. McKenzie attended
    - 1. Please stay after to solidify meeting time
- d. Elections- *Secretary Duong*
  - i. Deciding on new meeting time
  - ii. Anyone interested in partaking in the Spring election process
- e. Program Board – *Program Board Director Allman*
  - i. Welcome Back Week was success
  - ii. Valentines Day event later this week
  - iii. Displaced dinner for Spring Fest, March 6th
  - iv. Lumie's tickets will be on sale soon
  - v. Anyone interested in event planning, getting involved- join Program Board
- f. Advocacy- *President Duarte*
  - i. Vice Pres. Rashid, met with student last week regarding safety and will discuss details during Miscellaneous
  - ii. Encourage anyone to meet with concerns on campus
    - 1. (562) 440-3088 office phone number
    - 2. or email [aswc\\_pres@poets.whittier.edu](mailto:aswc_pres@poets.whittier.edu)

- g. Culinary- *Sen. Clendenning*
  - i. Some really great improvements in the CI
    - 1. Gluten Free station
    - 2. Salad Bar to reduce cross-contamination
    - 3. 600 station for healthy dieters
    - 4. Overall very good choices, but still many things to improve on
  - ii. Did not see great participation in committee, will reevaluate the meeting times and please contact if any interest
    - 1. There are many hurdles that were not foreseen and more participation would be greatly appreciated
- h. Environmental- *Rep. McMurray*
  - i. Would like a list of everyone who signed up for Environmental Committee
  - ii. Temporary meeting times at Friday
  - iii. Small but productive meeting, with Sal Johnson and calculating amount of food waste per meal in the CI
    - 1. Would need more hands to “scrape plates” if anyone is interested
    - 2. [mmcmurra@poets.whittier.edu](mailto:mmcmurra@poets.whittier.edu) contact
    - 3. Will happen before spring break
  - iv. Lightly touched on amendments to SEFA
- i. Student Feedback- *Sen. Marquez*
  - i. No update
- j. Academic Affairs- *Vice-President Rashid*
  - i. Working on Academic Affairs Council for appropriate mechanism for students to express concerns on campus
  - ii. a good chunk of departments on campus have established councils, and once these last departments are established the council will begin meeting
    - 1. The committee will dissolve by the end of the semester
  - iii. If simply interested in taking part- reach out to Vice Pres. Rashid, Sen. Dueñas... would greatly appreciate the participation

**XII. Public Voice**

**XIII. First Readings**

- a. ASA Asian Night – *ASA*
  - i. Total requested amount: \$5,000
  - ii. Total recommended: \$3,600
  - iii. Formerly known for Asian Night, trying to make something new as Asian Night Market
  - iv. Will provide cultural awareness, cuisine
  - v. The requested amount is around finalized because Bon Appétit is providing

- vi. Will take place in the Memorial Chapel and outdoor event
- vii. Exercise creativity in Asian arts, photo booth, informational section etc.
- viii. Trying to promote ASA and what it once was and what it can be in the future
- ix. Is it possible to subsidize the food costs with meal swipes? – Sen. Martin
  - 1. Unfortunately this is the final offer by Bon Appetit and this was their cheapest option, outside catering was not permitted
- x. Fundraising:
  - 1. Thai Tea Thursdays, working with Bon Appetit
  - 2. Will be selling t-shirts from previous years at the event
  - 3. Yogurt land fundraiser
  - 4. Make sure the fundraising covers costs, not organization profiting
- xi. Educational Aspect
  - 1. Japanese, Thai, Chinese, Pacific Islander- many aspects
  - 2. Before each performance, a little information will be provided
  - 3. Info cards will be displayed with the food served
  - 4. Would like to offer information about every part
  - 5. Similar to International Fair but more specifically Asian Culture
  - 6. Sen. Dueñas suggested perhaps working with Professor “People and Cultures of Asia” to incorporate this educational aspect
- b. WTF Improv Workshop- *WTF*
  - i. Total requested amount \$120
  - ii. Total recommended amount \$120
  - iii. Estimated participants- 25
  - iv. Hoping to build community for club as well as help include the Whittier College community through the basics of improv
  - v. Do not have EMS as of right now but plan to meet with Eva this week to have it sorted out
    - 1. Vice-Pres. Rashid, in the future we will not hear the request without EMS
    - 2. Need to give at least a week to process EMS vs. three days
- c. Met Decent Block Party- *Metaphonian Society*
  - i. Total requested amount- \$6,285
  - ii. Total recommended amount- \$5,453
  - iii. Is based off Mad Decent Block party
    - 1. Not just a dance, but also face painting, food, carnival games
    - 2. DJ Power 106
    - 3. Provided layout on PowerPoint
  - iv. Will host fundraisers to raise money for giveaways as well as alumni donations coming in
    - 1. 3 fundraisers total
  - v. Will promote through flyers, promo table the week of, power 106 will possibly come out and promote event on campus
  - vi. Sen. Santacruz asked if they would use some of the funding to supply the prizes?
    - 1. Will be using their money from fundraising

- vii. Sen. Dueñas commends reps for coming prepared and providing information on the society’s contributions
- viii. Question regarding the cotton candy machine is through Bon Appétit, it’s separate from Res. Life and LEAP
  - 1. Sen. Santacruz encourages them to ask Res. Life and LEAP to utilize the cotton candy machine in order to save money
- ix. Power 106 is another form of promotion for the event and for the station
- d. Move for recess by Sen. Clendening
- e. Meeting resumes at 8:06PM
- f. Latino Graduation- *MEChA*
  - i. Reception is separate from the past because Amigos Unidos is inactive
  - ii. This covers food for approx. 400 people- students and their families
  - iii. This event has taken place for the last 15 years
  - iv. Total Requested- \$5,705
  - v. Total Recommended- \$4,105
- g. Latino Graduation Ceremony- *MEChA*
  - i. Total Requested- \$1,250
  - ii. Total Recommended- \$1,100
- h. Escape- *Palmer Society*
  - i. Total Requested amount- \$4,400
  - ii. Total Recommended amount- \$4,150
    - 1. Have fundraised since last semester, approximately \$600 contributed to cover decoration, activities, publicity
  - iii. Previously held dance, however will host concert event to better accommodate campus
    - 1. There will be four artists, the final performer is funded by the society (approximately \$300 costs absorbed)
    - 2. Will be a mix of alternative and rock, pop
  - iv. The amount requested is the maximum amount, may anticipate less after meeting further with Bon Appétit
  - v. Sen. Kimbell, same night as Honors Convocation and night before Penntronic
    - 1. Will be moving the event earlier in the day to not conflict with Honors Convocation and possibly appeal more to commuters, TBD but around 4/5:00 PM
  - vi. Question regarding fencing- may be required by Campus Safety
  - vii. Sen. Manning noted they came in very professionally
  - viii. How will you promote this event well enough to ensure people will show up especially the same weekend as Penntronic
    - 1. The live music, live activities will encourage students to check it out
- i. Star Party- *Physics Club*
  - i. April 1<sup>st</sup> 4:00 PM until noon
    - 1. 50 participants
    - 2. Total Requested: \$2,726
    - 3. Total Recommended: \$2,300



- ii. EMS code not available, but have received response from Dr. Sobers

**XIV. Daily Calendar Considerations**

a. Penntronic- *William Penn Society*

- i. Total Requested- \$14,541.84
- ii. Total Recommended- \$13,491.84
- iii. Representative from illuminated event- Penn Society hired them to set the bar for their event
  - 1. Requesting \$5,000- with discount as WC Alumni, total is \$3,100
  - 2. The fees will account for two days of set-up
- iv. Address concerns for student body participation
  - 1. Student DJ competition, flyers and emails will be out by end of February
    - a. Involving student body, alumni, and Whittier Community
  - 2. Student body will vote on their student DJ
- v. Educational Awareness
  - 1. Speaking with member of D.A.R.E. to see if a representative speak about drugs
- vi. Layout for fundraising
  - 1. \$200 for shirts
  - 2. Equipment used by campus resources
  - 3. Design by own students
  - 4. Over \$950 in fundraising
- vii. As a society we tried to adapt to the Senate's recommendations- with student participation, being more fiscally responsible etc.
- viii. Will the present from D.A.R.E. be speaking at the event or?
  - 1. The details are not completed, but any further information will be shared
  - 2. We will also share facts and encourage a hash tag to encourage awareness of drug use
- ix. Awareness around the community
  - 1. Because the event has a lot of noise and activity
  - 2. Will visit the neighboring houses and send out flyers to better control and communicate concerns with the society, campus safety, and the college overall
- x. What makes you think the number of participants –member of the public
  - 1. Despite the drop in attendance, we still were one of the highest attended dance of the school year

- 2. We will promote the event through promotional videos, flyers, all publicity
- xi. What happens after over 400 students attend
  - 1. That's not the maximum capacity, but rather the minimum expected
- xii. Have you considered using the campus courtyard to reduce costs
  - 1. We take pride in the last 8 years of tradition
  - 2. The layout of the event takes up the majority of
- xiii. Representative Wihlberg mentioned the Manny Pacquiao fight took place year and may have influenced the attendance
- xiv. What do you think spending \$5,000 is justified on lighting
  - 1. The nature of Penntronic is held to the standard of a mini rave, and providing this set up is satisfying this standard
  - 2. Every organization has tried to lower costs, and their own society has tried to be more fiscally responsible as well by no longer working with the same company in the past 8 years to lower costs
- xv. Is there any way to avoid using the tent?
  - 1. The tent helps reduce the sound dispersing
  - 2. It will also work well with the lighting
- xvi. How to address the issues of ventilation in the past
  - 1. Plans with the tent company to build a truss in front of the tent and the stage will be open
  - 2. The venue will be enclosed by the air will be able to escape to better ventilate like a mini sky light
  - 3. It will still be able to block the majority of the sound within the sound
- xvii. Sen. Heymans moves to fund the event in the requested amount of \$14,541.84
  - 1. Organizations are coming in with lower costs, incorporating more aspects
  - 2. It's unfair to cut costs because of package deals and the following year with lower attendance if they don't receive the appropriate funding
  - 3. Sen. Martin, view this org
- xviii. Sen. Santacruz moves to fund in new amount \$11,591.84
  - 1. According to funding code this will be considered a medium event

2. Commend the org for being prepared but we need to be realistic but if we fund all the requests in the full amount, we would be left with approximately... \$13,000 for the remainder of the semester
  3. Did not cut a substantial amount of money, it's not significant enough to affect the value of this event
  4. The preparation and presentation of the organization makes Sen. Santacruz feel the society would be able to attract as much participation as anticipated originally
  5. Sen. Clendening, we followed this funding code in previous requests and this can't be different especially on lighting
- xix. Amount of around \$4,150 costs were cut
1. Expenses have increased and costs have increased
  2. This dance is based on electronic music, and that is a significant aspect in this which justifies the lighting expenses
- xx. Sen. Parviainen moves another cycle of debate
- xxi. More than half of the funding requested is required, so it's difficult to cut costs given this
1. They are doing what the Senate has recommended and they are addressing these requests and making the actions
  2. Sen. McKenzie says it's justifiable to fund one large event for the year, it's pretty reasonable
- xxii. The precedent we set with this event if the costs were absolutely required
1. Other organizations are requesting events similar to this as well with incorporating creative ideas
  2. We should be modest with our spending, and allocating it through other organizations
  3. Even with the recommended amount by Sen. Santacruz it will cost around \$30 per participant, and absorb 17% of our budget
- xxiii. Would you be able to estimate the cost for a real vent like this
1. Minimum of \$150 per ticket similar to this
  2. \$40 for a individual is justifiable- bring same amount of experience, work as a professional event
  3. We have cut costs significantly compared to the past
- xxiv. Sen. Santacruz thinks it's fair to allow a minimal amount for the members of the public to hear the concerns of members of the public
- xxv. Sen. Martin proposes a recess to hear the concerns of the public
- xxvi. Continue the meeting at 9:11PM

- xxvii. Voting on whether to continue another cycle of debate
  - 1. 8 in favor
  - 2. 3 opposed
  - 3. 2 abstentions
  - 4. Will continue another cycle of debate
- xxviii. All in favor of proposed amount
  - 1. Based on the funding request, the staff, food, fencing etc. are required costs
  - 2. We spent \$13,920 on lunA that were overlooked in the funding code
  - 3. Educational aspects are being put into effect we overlooked
  - 4. It's approx. \$60,000 to hold an outside event such as this
  - 5. Last year, senate passed a bill to hear large funding requests deadline within the first two weeks and we should not hoard the money in anticipating future events
- xxix. All in favor of the objection
  - 1. The bill was proposed due to our almost bankruptcy
  - 2. Ridiculous to compare this event to a professional event
    - a. Considering the mere size of Whittier College itself
- xxx. Motion to vote
  - 1. Objection on motion to vote- 6
  - 2. Opposed on motion to vote- 7
  - 3. Abstention- 2
- xxxi. Sen. Martin asks, is there anything else you can cut costs?
  - 1. The lowest possible on lighting \$3,518 which would affect the look... at most cut \$1,000
- xxxii. Sen. Santacruz moves to vote
  - 1. Favor of original amount- 1
  - 2. All in favor of objection- 4
  - 3. Abstention- 10
- xxxiii. Point of information by Dir. Boynton, if enough senators abstain from their vote, a new amount can be proposed and the entire cycle may take place
  - 1. No clear majority so close voting cycles
- xxxiv. Sen. McKenzie moves to fund \$12,491.84
  - 1. Objection, Sen. Santacruz moves to fund \$11,800.00
- xxxv. Debate in favor of motion
  - 1. There should be at least one large event each year

2. Lowering the lighting costs by \$2,000 will still allow
  3. Rep. Willrich view this as an opportunity cost rather than cutting costs just to cut costs
  4. It's better to have one quality event rather than two cut events that are not up to par
- xxxvi. Debate in favor of objection
1. The amount proposed is about an additional \$1,000
  2. Not necessarily money that adds value to this event, which won't cause it to be "gimp" event
  3. Faith in this organization to make this a very successful event
  4. We are also waiting to hear an additional two large events
  5. Considering Sen. Dueñas' 21 departments that can request funding
- xxxvii. Sen. Parviainen moves to vote
1. All in favor of Sen. McKenzie's proposal- 9
  2. All opposed- 4
  3. Abstentions- 2
  4. With 2/3 vote, this event will be funded in the proposed \$12,491.84
- b. Psychedelic Circus- *Sachsen Society*
- i. Total Requested- \$12,200.03 (inflatables instead of slip n slide, and bartender)
  - ii. Total Recommended- \$8,500.03
  - iii. April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016
  - iv. Will provide tie dye, food from displaced dinner (Mexican food with ice cream bar)
  - v. 200 commuter plates were provided for free
  - vi. Were approved by James Dial to utilize machines for popcorn etc.
  - vii. Miscellaneous- tarot card readings, hookah, HIC Luau, DPP, Whittier College Dance Team, other performers
  - viii. Mainly asking for funding on Jousting Arena and Velcro Wall- changed plans from original slip n' slide to conserve water and costs
  - ix. Laser Maze Challenge, 6hr trailer set up- very big tourist attraction in other cities
  - x. 10<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of hosting Psychedelic Circus, trying to provide a fun event before finals

- xi. Sen. Manning, awesome event and presentation- let's try to keep this tradition alive
- xii. Sen. Santacruz, commend the planning and professionalism
  - 1. Concern that alcohol promotion may exclude community under the age of 21
  - 2. Perhaps DPP could help provide funds for alcohol, pub, or liquor license
  - 3. Met with Elizabeth Schrock, main goal right now is to get students to register for DPP sticker
  - 4. Vice-Pres. Rashid feels that alcohol does not exclude students because it is just one aspect of all the activities, but rather draws more people in
  - 5. The bartender will be trained to notice signs of over-drinking
  - 6. There will be double ID checks
  - 7. Commend the 200 commuter vouchers
  - 8. Contained, safe, environment, and institutional channels are promoted by this event
  - 9. Question from budget committee, if the dinner is displaced, why is there additional fee for food?
    - a. Since the food provided in CI is level 2, and outside catering is a different level
    - b. So there is no way to avoid this cost
    - c. There's only one free displacement allowed per semester, so this was accounted for Spring Fest
  - 10. Sen. Manning moves to fund this event in the requested amount
    - a. This event is funded in the amount of \$12,200.03

### **Miscellaneous Business**

- a. After the last Senate meeting, Dean Perez, Pres. Herzberger, Pres. Duarte and Vice-Pres. Rashid met to discuss the motion voted
  - I. Sen. Heymans reads motion, it was a request to action
  - II. The meeting determined this was mainly a problem of systems
  - III. Resolved there will be an upgrade in systems
    - 1. The online management such as EMS will include everyone to help with communication issue
    - 2. Bringing in consultant for ADA compliance
    - 3. Examined lift, will train campus safety and facilities to utilize
    - 4. Will show accessibility of routes on campus

- IV. Discussed concerns with business office, safety concerns, academic concerns, BYOD and VCL programs
  - 1. There will be a computer lab in Science Learning Center so BYOD and VCL will be resolved
  - 2. Campus did customer service training that is being undergone
- V. A lot of the concerns discussed in our meetings, a lot of plans and resolutions are being made
  - 1. Decided to implement a focus group that will discuss the concerns with actual data from students and communication to administrators
  - 2. A lot of concerns
    - 1. The efficacy of bringing in students for this
    - 2. Alternatives include a mini-ethnography of asking constituents of cases and documenting these cases, working with VPS- to presenting the information without depending on volunteers to bring these cases forth
  - 3. Very valuable opportunity to give admin our feedback as student leaders on campus- with our interdepartmental concerns
- VI. Sen. Martin likes the idea of collecting the stories for cases, but that sounds a lot of research and time consuming- it's not a long term solution and can't guarantee this will prevent this from happening again
  - 1. Student Feedback couldn't go about holding surveys- wasn't sure how
  - 2. Perhaps suggest surveys with transparency
  - 3. Dean Perez, will gather group of senior managers and how to get better feedback through their customer service training
  - 4. This will be some mechanisms with anonymity such as Registrar, Business, Financial Aid, Dean of Students (Res. Life), Campus Safety- the departments with interactions with students
    - 1. CAAS and Health Services already use it
    - 2. Will gain traction, and a lot of plans to get this going within the next month of implementing this
- VII. Member of the public, suggests having a town hall- not necessarily the students all involved, but the angry ones
  - 1. Provide something tangible for the student body
  - 2. The student body deserves an apology letter from the service received
  - 3. Vice-Pres. Rashid, hesitation with town hall because of forums and similar events in the past- it does not provide enough participants and those numbers don't help us
  - 4. Suggest a push in something tangible beforehand, and follow up
- VIII. The case study with focus groups will take a long time- we need more immediate resolves

1. The best representatives are these people themselves
  2. If we really need feedback, provide a number of different avenues
  3. Matter of the organization and the credibility of the organization
- IX. Sen. Marquez, every meeting Student Feedback mentions all the support
1. Our work is not being appreciated
  2. Senate itself is not the issue, rather the students don't care enough
- X. Dir. Boynton, rather than an organization problem, maybe we need to approach the situation differently
1. Partner with different department
  2. Propose solutions rather than doing the same thing over again
- XI. Sen. Martin, don't partner with the departments because that defers students from attending
1. Utilize the resources of student mobilization rather than the departments, because that proves more effective
- XII. Do you believe students will not attend Senate meetings regarding topics such as safety because the environment of senate?
1. No, rather the connections with Senate
- XIII. Avoiding the dean of students is not the way to go...
- XIV. A lot of the student body is hidden behind social media, and anonymous sites
1. Not taken seriously because of connections with departments
- XV. If people come to you, they want to see something being done... because they have not seen anything to the contrary
1. See something without the attachment of other departments
  2. Be willing to stand up for the student body
  3. Have a semi-anonymous forum, how would that work?
  4. You may request to meet with any senator or cabinet member to speak privately
  5. Dean Perez, we can't take the semi-anonymous process seriously because that becomes hearsay—so anonymity of the student could be preserved if a senator represents them
- XVI. Perhaps make an online feedback forum
- XVII. Treas. Zamora, why can students post on Yik Yak but not feedback boxes
- XVIII. "Without the student there is no beating heart" – Vice Pres. Rashid
- XIX. We provide the avenues, the options of Advocacy, Student Feedback, or private meetings...
1. Sen. McKenzie, it begins with this... and works it's way up
- XX. Sen. Martin, maybe we are not doing the best that we can as representatives
1. Hold each other accountable in communicating all this
  2. We have all the mechanisms in place, and the potential to accomplish a lot of great things
  3. But we are lacking in our constituent reports etc.
  4. Compiling our concerns heard need to already happen
    1. Hold yourself and senators accountable



2. And following up with these issues
  3. We can help each other out with these issues
- XXI. Vice-Pres. Rashid we probably will not resolve this entirely
1. We need to establish the legacy we want to provide
  2. Prepare by next week how we plan to do our governance among our colleagues/ peers
  3. We can continue this discussion, remind everyone of this time
- XXII. Member Hoverstein of the Public, you all are representatives of the student body, doesn't restrict you to be an activist as well... in your capacity as senators
- XXIII. Immediate solution, is to produce more flyers... more advertising in general
1. Share the specific details
- XXIV. Propose, everyone come back on Monday how we could propose systemically pertaining to our student body... have a more immediate response to administration
1. Here are things we are doing as our own senate to have better communication for our constituents examples prepared

#### **Announcements**

- I. Women's Leadership Association Meeting tomorrow, 2:30PM at the rock
- II. Lookout for Valentines Day event Thursday
- III. Get excited for Penntronic and Psych Circus
- IV. SJP, human rights type of organization. March 7-11, Poet Palestine Awareness
  - a. #PAW
  - b. Guest Speaker
  - c. Interesting parallel to last year's speaker that was pro-Israel
  - d. Nominate a student, faculty or member of community that has promoted peace for award
- V. Recommend Social Justice Coalition people
- VI. Recommend anyone who wants to take on leadership positions, for CSA
- VII. Apply to treasurer application extended to Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>
  - a. Any senators should consider applying
- VIII. Sen. Manning moves to adjourn meeting at 10:36PM

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