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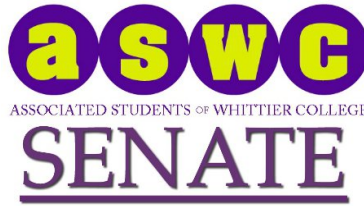
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## Meeting Minutes for February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016

- I. **Meeting is called to order at 7:11PM**
- II. **Moment of Silence**
- III. **Inspirational quote read by Rep. Willrich**
  - a. You must do the things you think you cannot do.” –Eleanor Roosevelt
- 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. Dueñas**
- V. **Roll Call- Secretary Duong**
  - a. **Present:** President Robert Duarte, Vice-President Amer Rashid, Treasurer Cesar Zamora, Director Leah Boynton, Secretary Tana Duong, Director Cody Allman, Rep. Madeleine McMurray, Sen. Detrick Manning, Sen. Sofia Dueñas, Sen. Michelle Ordonez, Sen. Hannah Martin, Sen. Erica Wendt, Sen. John Parviainen, Sen. Lorena Heymans, Sen. Alfredo Santacruz, Sen. Alyssa Kimbell, Sen. Rudy Marquez, *Media Council Representative* (Michael Willrich), Sen. Priscilla Rodriguez, Sen. Vica Malgina, Dr. Sobers, Dr. Morris, Dr. Kjellberg
  - b. **Absent excused:** Sen. Jazmin Ringgold, Sen. Will McKenzie, Sen. Katie Clendening, Sen. Jacob Contreras
  - c. **Unexcused:**
- VI. **Minutes Amendment/Approval**
  - a. Amendment by Sen. Martin
  - b. Sen. Malgina moved to approve amended minutes
- VII. **Closed Session**
- VIII. **President’s Message- President Duarte**
  - a. Thank you everyone for attending tonight
  - b. Our town hall is taking place tomorrow night- with administration
    1. We will be having question boxes
  - c. Let’s have a good meeting and good week
- IX. **Treasurer’s Report- Treasurer Zamora**

ASWC ACCOUNTS	
General Fund Balance:	\$30,860.48
Total Funds Allocated Thus Far:	\$38,131.52
Operational Account Balance:	\$ 7,605.00
Reserve Account Balance:	\$ 10,660.92
RELATED ACCOUNTS <i>as of 10.30.2015</i>	
Program Board Account:	\$43,250.00
First Year Class Council (FCC):	\$1,032.50
Diversity Council (DC):	\$1,118.59
Inter-Club Council (ICC):	\$8,314.25
Social Justice Coalition (SJC):	\$2,998.00
Media Council (MC) Account:	\$63,000.00
Student Athletic Advisory Committee (SAAC):	\$1,326.28
Inter-Society Council (ISC):	\$2,889.92

a.

**X. Constituent Reports**

a. Academics Affair Council- *Sen. Dueñas*

1. Our BSAD Departmental Council was elected recently

b. First Year Class Council- *Sen. Manning*

1. Our senate meeting last week was very successful- constituents got concerns out

2. A lot plan to attend town hall

c. Commuter Rep- *Sen. Ordoñez*

1. Was able to meet with VP. Rashid about constitution

2. Will have other errors and possible improvements to ideally have applications due prior to spring break to ideally elect a running CSA

d. Residential Hall Rep- *Sen. Martin*

1. Dean Perez emailed Bill Weinman and copied Sen. Martin regarding cockroaches and is awaiting response from Bill

2. Feli reached out personally with updates regarding WiFi in Turner

i. But no response about gym

3. Personally reached out to first-years in Johnson and recommended the dorm meetings that took place and that worked out

e. Student Body Rep- *Sen. Erica Wendt*

1. A lot of positive feedback from last week's meeting- a lot of appreciation

i. A lot of concerns and questions were answered

f. Student Body Rep- *Sen. Parviainen*

1. Constituent would like to know if Treasurer application would like to reopen
  - i. Perhaps we could add this discussion to Miscellaneous
- g. Student Body Rep- *Sen. Clendening*
  1. n/a
- h. Student Body Rep- *Sen. Heymans*
  1. Nothing new to report
- i. Diversity Caucus Rep- *Sen. Santacruz*
  1. Diversity Council met last week to discuss events
  2. Discussed senior recognition, will take place April 17<sup>th</sup> in the Chapel to recognize seniors of many organizations
  3. Will have solid figure of diverse identity month by next week
- j. Inter-Club Council Rep- *Sen. Kimbell*
  1. Org workshops from Feb 17<sup>th</sup>-
    - i. Announced that whichever club has the most attendance at these org events will receive monetary reward
    - ii. Meet in LEAP conference
  2. Student Org Awards will open up on OrgSync
  3. Celebrating Leap year, first 50 attending will receive a tank and will be able to tie dye
    - i. ICC will be sponsoring Food Truck
    - ii. First 200 students will receive voucher for free ice cream sandwich
- k. Social Justice Coalition- *Sen. Marquez*
  1. SJC had first meeting last week
  2. Will need to meet with VP. Rashid because multiple people would like to request money from the Coalition
    - i. A good sign to show involvement
  3. More involvement, heard potential Treasurer interest
- l. Media Council Rep- ~~*Sen. Ringgold*~~, *Rep. Michael Willrich*
  1. The QC would like to use their ad revenue fund to exception funding budget
    - i. Will continue discussion in Miscellaneous
- m. Student Athletic Advisory Committee Male Rep- *Sen. Contreras*
  1. N/A
- n. Student Athletic Advisory Committee Female Rep- *Sen. Rodriguez*
  1. N/A
- o. Inter-Society Council Male Rep- *Sen. McKenzie*

1. N/A
- p. Inter-Society Council Female Rep- *Sen. Malgina*
  1. Convo this Saturday
  2. Ionian Society fundraiser at Mimo's
  3. Thalian Society fundraiser at BWW

**XI. Committee Reports**

- a. Administrative- *Vice President Rashid*
  1. Responding to emails to book appointments to go over constitutions
    - i. Goal is to revise and get council to agree on revisions so things are streamlined to governing body and senate
    - ii. Would like to format the constitutions as well
- b. Budget- *Treasurer Zamora*
  1. Met to talk about recommended amounts for the readings submitted
  2. Looked through treasurer applications
- c. Campus Relations- *Dir. Boynton*
  1. Will be meeting Wednesday
  2. Last Wednesday the committee worked on Town Hall poster
    - i. Please share that on personal social medias
  3. Eventually will share a flyer with committee meetings and times
- d. Elections- *Secretary Duong*
  1. Working on OrgSync form regarding elections campaign packet
  2. Reminder March 24<sup>th</sup> will be Informational Meeting- start hyping it up
- e. Program Board – *Program Board Director Allman*
  1. Two more events for the spring semester
    - i. Spring Fest the first weekend of March, finalizing the details for that
      1. Displaced brunch will be on the North Lawn
    - ii. Working on Lumie's Event and fun advertising upcoming
  2. Have invested in new equipment for PB
- f. Advocacy- President Duarte
  1. Received a lot of emails from students following last week's meeting
  2. There's a common theme from the Business Office
    - i. These concerns are noted and will be addressed at tomorrow's town hall
    - ii. Continue to email [aswc\\_pres@poets.whittier.edu](mailto:aswc_pres@poets.whittier.edu)
- g. Culinary- *Sen. Clendenning*
  1. First Culinary meeting will meet Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> in Senate office
  2. Expect James Dial from Bon Appetit

- h. Environmental- *Rep. McMurray*
  - 1. The food waste audit is taking place next Tuesday and Thursday
  - 2. The mixer will take place one week from today
- i. Student Feedback- *Sen. Marquez*
  - 1. Hopefully to have a set meeting time for committee meeting, perhaps the Ettinger Lounge
    - i. Will be finalized by next week
  - 2. Will help out with Town Hall meeting tomorrow
- j. Academic Affairs- *Vice-President Rashid*
  - 1. Contact if anyone is interested in taking part in this council
  - 2. Really need the help to organize this council for all departments across campus
  - 3. Meet Fridays at 5PM

**XII. Public Voice**

- a. Reminder tomorrow is our Town Hall Meeting with Administration and we will address topics of Finance, Student Life, and Campus Safety etc.

**XIII. First Readings**

- a. Psi Chi Whittier Undergraduate Research Conference
  - 1. One of the biggest events for Psi Chi
  - 2. Presenting research done here, and other schools nearby will be invited to speak at our event
  - 3. Good opportunity for Psych Department to present their research
  - 4. The funding request is to host honorary speaker from different campus
  - 5. Sen. Santacruz, how are the co-sponsors contributing?
    - i. Psi Chi officers will be participating in this, the entire department is working together
  - 6. VP. Rashid is the department or club putting forth in money for this?
    - i. No
  - 7. This has been going on for 15 years
  - 8. No fundraising efforts made
- b. World Water Day Event
  - 1. Anticipating 50 participants
  - 2. Requesting \$2,139.25
  - 3. Purpose to bring aware to organization, would like to make it better known of water shortage worldwide for children
  - 4. Will be a mixer and art show, anthropology will contribute artwork
    - i. Class will be given credit for attending
  - 5. Trying to make the club more well-known, OMEP
    - i. Relevant to students of many different disciplines
    - ii. Child advocacy and the issues discussed
  - 6. Total Recommended Amount \$2,070.00

7. The event is open to the public, because affiliated to United Nations and may request news coverage
8. No specific contributions, but offered funding from other departments
9. Perhaps pairing with Sustainability Club
10. Alcohol was requested from catering, will have separate cash bar for the beer garden
  - i. Talk to Joe Melendez and Elizabeth Schrock regarding DPP
11. Event date is Tuesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>
- c. Greenleaf Slam for Undergraduate Student Research
  1. Anticipating 100 participants
  2. Amount Request \$2,000
  3. Total Recommended Amount \$1,050
  4. On behalf of Dig Lib Arts- implement technology into curriculum on campus
    - i. Funded off a grant
  5. Would like to put on a student research event
    - i. All inclusive
    - ii. Perform, interactive, share scholarly work
  6. Student organized, flexible format, poster/ presentation, media rich presentations—it's different from URSCA
  7. Would like to expose student body to moving technology into academia
  8. Could be a college sponsored conference
  9. Offer stipends to students for showing exceptional work
    - i. Partnering with Cultural Center who will offer funds for other stipends
    - ii. Reaching out to different departments
    - iii. Student labor is being donated
  10. Dig Lib Arts work with over 20 classes this semester and working with professors to pull students to speak for presentations
  11. Students submit an abstract to present
  12. Try collaborate with organizations too
  13. Will print ASWC logo on banner if funded
  14. Willing to work with senate to make institutional event through this conference

#### **XIV. Daily Calendar Considerations**

- a. Asian Night Market
  1. Expecting 200 participants
  2. Total Amount Requested: \$5,000
  3. Total Recommended Amount: \$3,600
  4. Have brought in more artists/ performers than ever in the past
  5. Will continue fundraising such as Thai Tea Thursdays
  6. Rep. Willrich asks why this is the Friday before Spring Break?
    - i. Diverse Identities Month event
    - ii. Already have contracts
    - iii. Not possible to reconsider new date
  7. March 11<sup>th</sup>

8. Sen. Santacruz moves to fund for requested amount
  - i. Sen. Martin objects to not fund event at all
9. Very significant event to Diverse Identities
  - i. Impactful and meaningful for those who attend
  - ii. ASA has held very well attendance in the past
10. Sen. Martin believes attendance will be greatly affected by the date of the event
  - i. A lot of students leave early for spring break, but for \$5,000 that is a large amount of money
11. Plan on working to better advertise for this event with QCTV, VPS etc and trying to get this out as soon as possible
12. Is it possible to cut out the Bon Appetit catering?
  - i. The only realistic cut could be in supplies
  - ii. What if downsize the amount of money requested for catering
13. Representative mentioned request was made 3 weeks in advance but it was tabled so the contracted artists can not be rescheduled
14. In favor- 1
  - i. Objection- 1
  - ii. Abstention- 10
15. Sen. Parviainen moved to fund \$3,265
  - i. Sen. Manning object and move to fund \$3,285
16. Would like to give this event the opportunity to happen- with purpose of culture
17. Sen. Manning says under the basis would not like to put organization in predicament of not being able to pay performers, cut the food amount requested in half- would like this event to still happen
  - i. This event is a very successful event, and the problem with the spring break was not brought to their attention until now, 3 weeks later
  - ii. Those in favor of Sen. Parviainen motion- 1
  - iii. In favor of Sen. Manning's objection- 9
  - iv. Abstentions- 1
  - v. Request was funded in amount of \$3,285
- b. Latino Graduation Ceremony
  1. Celebration, week before commencement
  2. Open for any students who would like to participate
  3. Total amount requested- \$1,250
  4. Total recommended amount- \$1,100
  5. The difference from reception and ceremony- there is a keynote speaker, Pres. Herzberger speaks, and a ceremony for students while reception is actual entertainment and meal
  6. Sen. Duenas suggest consider the color of stoles to be more inclusive of Hispanic culture not specific
  7. Event funded for total of \$1,250
- c. Latino Graduation Reception
  1. Anticipating 400 participation



2. Total Requested- \$5,705.00
3. Total Recommended- \$4,105
4. Sen. Manning thinks it's a good event but funding the food for 400 individuals, and their families would be excessive utilizing student body fees
  - i. Is it possible to charge tickets to subsidize costs for parents perhaps
  - ii. But it would potentially eliminate a lot of families from being able to attend
5. Sen. Parviainen argues that this isn't necessarily student fees, because these are the families that support the students
6. It's a traditional event, it is meaningful for the students with families
7. Sen. Kimbell argues why do we have to fund food, student body fees to afford costs for other people's family
8. Is it possible to have the parents subsidized for students, there is a way to downsize this
9. The college is proud of serving the Hispanic Community, the institution should be responsible for providing the reception
10. Dir. Allman would like to challenge the table that we hold organizations to a standard if we do not host events to including the public
11. Pres. Duarte, the students are spearheading this event which justifies why the institution does not fund this event
12. Sen. Dueñas says we should consider what this event includes and the experience it will leave on the families
13. Representative agrees this event should be funded by the institution however, to fund this event for this year but pursue the endeavor to be recognized by administration and to have this ceremony funded in the future
14. Sen. Manning and Sen. Wendt would potentially be funded a meal and two family members
15. Sen. Parviainen for the entirety of this year we have minimized costs for all the requests and we could afford to fund this in full
16. Sen. Dueñas moves to fund in the requested amount
  - i. We should follow up and speak to administration about this
17. Sen. Santaacruz would like to add Title X culture funding
- d. ESCAPE
  1. No longer attending
- e. Psychology Club
  1. No representative
- f. Party City De-Stressor Event and Fundraiser
  1. Representative in place of Melody
  2. Will replace so that no water is involved for entertainment
  3. Reached out to Whittier Community to receive approval from school district to market to children and to subsidize overall costs
  4. Is it possible to even sell the food made by Bon Appetit? Has the representative spoken to Stephanie?

5. Recess and resume at 9:13PM
6. Representative's concern of not being funded today is if there is no budget to reserve the inflatables
7. This event is child centered, so it might take away from students attendance
8. This is a major liability to fund despite it being good community event
9. Sen. Manning moves to table this request
  - i. Sen. Kimbell objects and moves to not fund this event
  - ii. All those in favor-0
  - iii. All those oppose- unanimous
- g. Super Bowl 50
  1. Honorarium update, will be staying in Deczember house
  2. Transportation costs are lowered as well
  3. Working with GAC to host the event to hold more individuals
  4. Has used publicity with local high schools and Whittier News
  5. Sen. Kimbell mentioned that the BSU is in negative balance for their account, and their funding request will not be considered if that is the case
    - i. The Meeting event was wrongfully charged to journal entries
    - ii. Balance remains in the negative still
  6. Did not communicate with other schools who would like to attend to divide the expenses
  7. Diversity Council will be able to subsidize food costs
  8. Concerns about backlash from funding this event for so many outside publicity
    - i. How would other students be guaranteed access over other school students?
    - ii. Parking concerns
  9. Sen. Santacruz moves to table this event for next year

**XV. Miscellaneous Business**

- a. Treasurer Application
  1. Request to extend deadline for Treasurer position
- b. QC Ad Funding
  1. The QC would like to use the funds as exception funding for their student workers
  2. Concerns that these are student body fees being utilized as revenue
  3. Student fees pay for the publication of QC newspaper, but the revenue is utilized to sustain resources rather than payroll- is that acceptable?
  4. Argument that there are a lot of hours invested by student workers into the QC
  5. Dir. Boynton point of information that exception funding already exists, and that the staff was not informed of this
  6. What precedence does this set for other organizations?

7. Exception funding is through departmental budgets and applying, HR
  8. To ensure quality work, the key asset are the individual's writing
  9. QC is sustained by work study and volunteers
  10. Ultimately this is revenue being generated through student body fees
  11. Doesn't mean that the revenue generated by advertisement is a new amount but the QC editors would like this discussion to resurface
  12. Rep. Willrich recommended the budget is utilized for sending individuals to conferences
  13. Dr. Sobers, point of information this is approximately \$7,000
  14. Strongly encouraged to speak with constituents regarding this
- c. Cultural Center Funding
1. Toward the end of last semester, Luz Galbreath informed Sen. Santacruz regarding cultural center funding
  2. Cultural Center did not receive any Title X funds
    - i. Especially as a Hispanic serving institution
  3. He will be meeting with Dean Perez and other administrator, because funds receiving from federal government but not sure where these funds are being allocated
  4. Pres. Duarte reported that there are 2 individuals that are being hired to help first generation students with stem?
    - i. VP Rashid recommends to the table, if a few senators work with Sen. Santacruz especially if pertaining to your constituents and determine if some things are not acceptable
    - ii. May need to gather information to write a Bill with formal concerns litigated
    - iii. Gives the appropriate mechanism of what we think is wrong and how to change it
    - iv. At least 3 senators such as Student Body Rep, Senator Dueñas, and Sen. Santacruz should be involved at the meeting
  5. Sen. Santacruz has organized set meeting times, so please

**XVI. Announcements**

- a. On behalf of Sen. Contreras announces Men's Basketball Senior night tomorrow at 5PM
- b. Women's Leadership association meeting tomorrow is canceled
- c. Culinary Committee meeting at Wednesday, 5 PM
- d. Student Organizational Event Planning Workshop on Wednesday
- e. Town Hall tomorrow at 6PM in Ettinger Lounge

- f. Celebrating Leap Day, “Keep Calm and Leap On” come tie dye and open house on Monday 29<sup>th</sup>, 11AM-1PM
- g. Meeting adjourned at 10:05PM

Respectfully Submitted by Tana Duong, *Secretary of ASWC*