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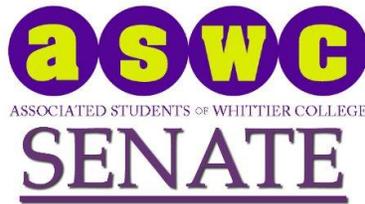
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Meeting Minutes for September 12, 2016

- I. Meeting is called to order at **7:06 PM**
- II. Moment of Silence
- III. Inspirational quote **Sen. Boynton**

- 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. Scurr
- V. **Roll Call- Senator Parviainen (Secretary)**
 - a. **Present:** President Rashid, Vice-President Dueñas, Treasurer Heymans, Secretary Parviainen, Director Marquez, Director Manning, Representative McMurray, Sen. Blomso, Sen. Jacinto, Sen. Scurr, Sen. Laguna, , Sen. Scriber, Sen. Vega, Sen. Bettridge, Sen. Wells, Sen. Boynton, Sen. Angileri, Sen. Fossier
 - b. **Absent excused:** Sen. Chen, Sen. Pistolesi, Sen. Brown
 - c. **Unexcused:** Sen. Campos
- VI. **Minutes Amendment/Approval**
 - a. Approved by Sen. Scurr
 - b. Seconded by Sen. Vega
- VII. **President's Message- President Rashid**
 - a. Happy holiday! I hope this well needed break serves you well. You are always senators even when you are off campus for break. Please be safe and have a good break!
- VIII. **Treasurer's Report- Treasurer Heymans**

General Fund Balance: \$12,570.00
Total Funds Allocated This Semester: \$73,322.31
Operational Account Balance: \$11,725.31
Reserve Account Balance: \$10,593.58
First Readings Pending: \$9,222.92
Daily Calendar Considerations: \$485.00
Program Board Account: \$43,101.21

First Year Class Council (FCC): \$2,532.50
Diversity Council (DC): \$2,345.84
Inter-Club Council (ICC): \$4,939.44
Social Justice Coalition (SJC): \$4,424.42
Media Council (MC) Account: \$157,759.61
Student Athletic Advisory Committee (SAAC): \$1,550.54
Inter-Society Council (ISC): \$3,334.63
Academic Affairs Council (AAC): \$2,720.00

IX. Campus Safety Report – Dean Perez

- a. Margolis Healy (campus safety consulting firm) conducted a campus safety report last spring. The report is posted on the campus safety website under “news.” One of the major recommendations made by the consulting firm is that everyone understands the role of campus safety: patrol and protect. Installing video cameras on campus was also recommended. Poet monitor program and pat-downs before dances were determined as not regular duties of campus safety. A recommendation of hiring an outside service for searches was suggested. This is so campus safety officers can keep an eye on entrances and exits and can also better monitor the students in line. The report also noted that campus safety needs additional training in Cleary Timely Act, report writing, and mental health trainings conducted by an authorized officer. Campus safety will now follow up on misdemeanor offenses (loss of less than \$1,000). This report, again, is posted on the campus safety website.
- b. President Rashid: Are there any efforts being made by the institution to mitigate problems of not having enough officers?
- c. Dean Perez: There are several postings for more campus safety officers on the HR website.

X. Sexual Assault Campus Climate Survey Results – Dean Schrock

- a. We received a 20% response rate – which is not totally bad although 20% is relatively low.
- b. We are benchmarking ourselves in this survey to other 46 small colleges (less than 8,000 students) similar to Whittier.
- c. 35% of respondents were male, 65% of respondents reported other than male
- d. Last spring, we had many negative incidents on campus. On Nov. 2nd, we had a timely warning report sent out, on Feb. 12th there was a student death, on Feb. 14 there was another timely warning sent out about an armed person on campus.
- e. 35% respondents were white, 65% reported as other than white
- f. **General Climate Campus Perceptions:** Students think that we all genuinely care about each other more than other campuses. “I feel safe on this campus;” however, scored lower than other colleges in the study.

- g. We rate our peers higher than other college campuses.
- h. **We reported low rankings in our confidence in administration to report a situation properly.**
- i. Most students reported that they have received adequate information on how to report sexual misconduct.
- j. **Rates of attempted sexual assaults since started college:** 79% of Whittier College students reported that they know of an incident of attempted sexual assault.
- k. Dean Schrock: We are in the process of increasing transparency with training, reporting, etc. We want to repeat the survey this spring and we want to conduct focus groups to understand what students mean when they say that they “do not feel safe” on campus.
- l. President Rashid: There were many incidents last semester. To what extent have conversations occurred to address students feeling unsafe on campus?
- m. Dean Schrock: We have only discussed. We are in the planning and interpretation phase of this project. We are now talking to students and recording feedback about why they do not feel safe. The implementation process has not started yet.
- n. Member of Public: What have other colleges done to try and implement safety procedures?
- o. Dean Schrock: Often times when focus groups are conducted, we can start to compare reality and perception of safety on campus.

XI. Constituent Reports

- a. Academics Affair Council- *Sen. Blomso*
 - a. I reached out to students in the Religious Studies DSC for when we can meet to write their constitution. I met with Professor Andy Wallis to talk about the changes in funding in the Office of International Programs. Under the previous system, the amount of financial aid a student received depended on their GPA. Now, GPAs are multiplied by 15% to receive financial aid for studying abroad. Students who also are in need of financial assistance also can receive additional aid for studying abroad. Professor Wallace is open to discussing and implementing a new program for how students can fund their study abroad endeavors.
 - b. Sen. Vega: I think it would be very beneficial if he came in.
- b. First Year Class Council – *Sen. Gil*
 - a. A student presented me with a safety concern. There is an incline on the sidewalk just before the CI. Many students slip on this spot and it is even more slippery when it rains. I will be working with Nadine in LEAP to mitigate this issue.
- c. Commuter Representative - *Sen. Jacinto*

- a. Absent at time of report
- d. Residential Hall Representative - *Sen. Scurr*
 - a. . I spoke with Mehran and Josh Hartman today. Construction has been going on in Turner bathrooms for two weeks. New tile is arriving a week from today and the project should be finished by next Tuesday (11/29). Tuesday, Dec. 6th there will be a meeting in the Dean of Students Office about the direction of funds dedicated towards the 7 Year Renovation Project. There will also be a lighted walk throughout campus to analyze dark spots on campus.
- e. Student Body Representative - *Sen. Pistolesi*
 - a. Absent
- f. Student Body Representative - *Sen. Laguna*
 - a. Students are concerned about the bill that was presented last week about punishing Donald Trump supporters.
- g. Student Body Representative - *Sen. Brown*
 - a. The BSU Hair Symposium was successful. More than 50 students came. Students liked that it was a unique event. I worked with Max Hoversten (ASWC) on the language of his bill pertaining to standing up against hate stemming from the recent election.
- h. Student Body Representative - *Sen. Scriber*
 - a. . Commuter students were happy about the Thanksgiving meal vouchers.
- i. Diversity Council Representative - *Sen. Vega*
 - a. I met with Max Hoversten and Sen. Wells about the bill that was presented last week to Senate and we are excited about the amendments. The BSU Hair Symposium went very well! On Saturday there was a police car parked by Wanberg and called Campus Security about what was going on. The person in the office laughed at me and this should be addressed as students are concerned when police are on campus.
- j. Inter-Club Council Rep- *Sen. Bettridge*
 - a. ICC met last week and the meeting was relatively was short. We went over the Student Bill of Rights and police on campus. Students feel that they should be notified when police are brought onto campus for any type of dialogue. We are starting to market for the spring concert and advertising will be sent out after Thanksgiving break.
- k. Social Justice Representative - *Sen. Wells*
 - a. We had a safety dialogue on Thursday and it went very well. I am compiling a document that will be posted on SJC's page on OrgSync that has a lot of information about safety policies. Healthy is the new Skinny was very successful!

- l.** Media Council Representative - *Sen. Boynton*
 - a.** Media Council representatives will be coming into the meeting tonight to talk about the Media Funding Allocation bill.
- m.** Student Athletic Advisory Committee Male Rep- *Sen. Angileri*
 - a.** Men's cross country finished 23rd in nationals which broke a 22 year school record. Men's water polo finished 4th in conference.
- n.** Student Athletic Advisory Committee Female Rep- *Sen. Campos*
 - a.** Absent
- o.** Inter-Society Council Male Rep- *Sen. Fossier*
 - a.** We met today in Club 88 and constituents were upset about excess hair being left in Club 88 after the symposium. Dec. 2nd in Club 88 will be a mediation event hosted by Professor Kjellburg. My constituents would like to keep the residential life video streaming website.
- p.** Inter-Society Council Female Rep- *Sen. Chen*
 - a.** Absent

XII. Committee Reports

- a.** Administrative- Vice President Dueñas
 - a.** We have been working on updating the by-laws which changes the voting thresholds and how we report within Senate.
- b.** Budget- Treasurer Heymans
 - a.** We met today to go over first and second readings.
- c.** Campus Relations- Director Manning
 - a.** We meet on Wednesday at 6:30 in the Senate office. I will be working with Communications to get advertising on TVs in the SLC. I will also decorating the ASWC board outside of the office.
- d.** Elections- Secretary Parviainen
 - a.** Nothing new to report
- e.** Program Board – Program Board Director Marquez
 - a.** There is no meeting tomorrow seeing as the holiday starts Wednesday. We are working closely on the concert!
- f.** Advocacy- President Rashid
 - a.** We did not meet last week; however, we are continuing to support the Student Bill of Rights and funneling information to Sen. Wells. We will be looking at the Margolis Healy report and how to address safety concerns on campus. I am in communication with the President's Office about having a meeting pertaining to transparency, communication, etc.
- g.** Culinary- Sen. Scriber
 - a.** Culinary did not meet last week. Rep. McMurray and I met with James Dial last week about renovations at the Spot. They are trying to expand the

drink options for students and are looking for students with work study to work at the Spot. The meal exchange hours last until 9:00pm is so that students who cannot go to the CI before it closes can come to the Spot for Meal Exchange.

- h. Environmental- Rep. McMurray**
 - a. I met with James Dial and Sen. Scriber last week. We are working on a poster to highlight the reports from the food audit and should be closer to finalizing a design after Thanksgiving break.
- i. Student Feedback- Sen. Scurr**
 - a. Student feedback had our second forum last Thursday. We got twelve more responses and could have gotten better turnout, but I planned it at the same time as another event on campus. We are now working on a Town Hall for the spring. I worked with Sen. Boynton about a promotional video for a Town Hall and how to incorporate all senators into this video to inform students about Senate.
- j. Academic Affairs- Vice-President Dueñas**
 - a. We are working on how to get academic organizations to be supported by LEAP because they are not considered a student organizations.
- k. Student Finance – President Rashid**
 - a. We are looking at financial documents that can be found online about the institution’s finances. We have been sending feedback to Sen. Wells about what can be included in the Student Bill of Rights from the perspective of student finances.

XIII. Public Voice

a. Presentation from Media Council on the newly funded Multi Camera Flypack

- a. Matt Park (president of WCSN): this Flypack is essentially a big studio compiled into a box. It is easily transportable and every media organization on campus will utilize this. Most studios or media organization will use more than one camera for any project that they do. Now that we are working with two cameras, we are able to broadcast multiple perspectives. The WCSN are one of the most equipped Division III broadcasting organizations in the nation and are excited about this new addition. This adds production quality for movie streaming via VPS. This really improves what QCTV can do. This Flypack multiplies our equipment value 5 times. This will be great for K-Chella as we can livestream and record concerts. The QC will allow more collaboration as they are looking to have more of a digital presence.

- b. Dir. Manning: This is really cool, but I know that the cost of this was \$17,000. Was there extensive conversation surrounding the funding of the Flypack?
- c. WCSN Representative: We did have a lengthy discussion about the funding of this piece of equipment
- d. Pres. Rashid: Can the Flypack cover multiple events happening on campus?
- e. WCSN Representative: Most likely yes. It depends on the strength of the chords. This is set up to be easily upgraded and with fiber optic cables, we can cover events up to a mile away.

XIV. First Readings

a. Chess Club Start Up Equipment – Chess Club

- a. The Chess Club is requesting \$222.82 for rubber chessboards and banners.
- b. Sean Sternberg (President of Chess Club): I have set up a monthly chess club with the local children's clubs in Whittier, which is the goal of our chess club. Our first event will be December We want to use funding for more than just college students in trying to bring people together. The rubber chessboards will never break and want to have chessboards accessible in the library. I am requesting 8 boards because that is a full round tournament size (16 players). We want to have a faculty vs. student chess tournament.
- c. Sen. Boynton: This equipment, if funded, would be owned by the ASWC. Where would you want this to be housed?
- d. Sean Sternberg: We wanted to have two chessboards available in the library so that students can access them. LEAP or a locker would be feasible options as well.
- e. Sen. Boynton: How many members, if any, do you already have enrolled in the club?
- f. Sean Sternberg: We currently have 11 active members which is great because we have not yet marketed for the club. The idea of the Chess Club is to teach members about the game and its different forms. We want this to be a social event and attract many students, not just the typical chess nerds.
- g. Sen. Vega: Whittier High School has a chess team and you two can easily collaborate together

b. OrgSync Renewal – LEAP office

- a. LEAP Representative (Nadine Barragan, Program Coordinator): Requesting \$8,000 from Senate, \$4,000 from Media Council, \$2,000 from

- LEAP, and \$1,000 Dean of Students per year for the next three years. 683 individuals have five or more log-ins since the beginning of the fall semester. Over 550 residential students log-into OrgSync which is more than commuters, athletes, and societies. ASWC has the most log-ins, followed by ISC, and ASA. In the 2.5 years of OrgSync's existence, there have been nearly 14,000 check-ins. There have been 6,474 form submissions in 2.5 years of OrgSync's existence at Whittier College and OrgSync is used by the ASWC for elections, requesting funds allocated by Senate, and documenting funds allocated. ASWC governing documents, agendas, minutes are available to be seen via OrgSync which allows for transparency. First-year students plan on attending social events by looking at events posted on OrgSync and also what clubs to join.
- b. Dir. Manning: Have all three other organizations committed to this plan?
- c. LEAP Representative: LEAP and Dean of Students are the only two committed bodies so far, but Debbie Allison will be presenting this proposal to the other organizations after Thanksgiving break.
- d. Vice President Dueñas: There has been talk about a shortage of portals. Have there been any efforts made to upgrade the amount of portals to accommodate the growing number of organizations?
- e. LEAP Representative: You have to pay more to add additional portals after 100 portal slots have been filled. We are above the 100 portal spots so now we need to work on finding a way to finance more spots.
- f. Sen. Bettridge: Dir. Marquez, Dir. Manning, and I went to an OrgSync conference in Texas this summer and learned many different ways to use OrgSync that will be implemented next year. OrgSync is crucial to the Poet Community.
- g. Vice President Dueñas: OrgSync allows us to get raw data because the data is already in the program. OrgSync helps us so much at an institutional level.
- h. Sen. Boynton: The majority of underclassmen use OrgSync than upper classmen, which is a great sign for the growth of this program. Is there a way to look up which classes use it the most?
- i. LEAP Representative: Yes there is.
- j. President Rashid: OrgSync is very useful and helpful for the treasurer and program board. We did not have a mechanism for funding requests prior to OrgSync nor a way to store bills or student body information.

XV. Daily Calendar Considerations

- a. Downtown Women's Shelter – KNS Club**

- a. KNS Representative: I have revised my initial plan for the Downtown Women's Shelter. The concern last meeting was that the amount of students that could be allowed to go was too small. We wanted to keep the intimate, small amount of participants, but also created a promotional event for the Women's Shelter. We have worked with this shelter before and if we show that we have a committed group of students, they could possibly wave the entrance fee.
- b. Sen. Blomso: How would you advertise?
- c. KNS Representative: Through e-mails and fliers.
- d. Sen. Wells: I have a list of 20 students who would want to help with this project and will follow up with you on those names.
- e. Sen. Blomso moves to fund this event in the requested amount of \$485
- f. Sen. Scriber seconds the motion
- g. Event funded in the requested amount

XVI. Miscellaneous Business

a. Town Hall Update

- a. Sen. Scurr: ON Friday, Sen. Scriber and I settled on March for a Town Hall in the Chapel in which students can interact with administration. We are wondering which faculty or administration members students would like to see at the Town Hall. We have been talking about the repercussions of the election. If anyone has any concerns about this new administration they can be voiced at the Town Hall.
- b. Sen. Boynton: When I was the Campus Relations Director, I sat outside the CI two days before the ASWC Address to collect questions that students want to be asked at these events. This was a great way to advertise for the Address. I rewarded students who wrote down questions with candy bars.
- c. Dir. Marquez: Student Feedback last year sent out a survey for students to address what they wanted to come out of the Town Hall last year. Any involvement with the student body and tailor it to their needs will increase turnout.
- d. Sen. Vega: The Chapel may be too far for students to walk to. I feel that the SLC has not been used for events so far and it would be nice to see an event held there.
- e. President Rashid: I feel that the Campus Courtyard is underused in the spring semester, especially seeing as though we live in Southern California and every day is typically sunny and warm. It is also a great place to attract students throughout the day.

b. By Laws Update Bill – authored by Vice President Dueñas

- a. Article V Section D of the ASWC Senate Bylaws to be amended to read the following: “D. All motions shall require a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of the Senators voting and present to pass, except where specifically stated otherwise.”
 - b. Article V Section F of the ASWC Senate Bylaws to be amended to read the following: F. Senators who abstain from a vote will be considered neither affirmative nor negative but will be recorded as abstentions. No senator will be required to abstain from a vote unless they, as individuals, have direct financial gain from the motion
 - c. Article II: Meetings, Section C and every section after, be amended to reflect the following addition: C. Motions 1. To obtain the floor to speak, the member will wait to be recognized by the chair. Members must wait until the last speaker has finished before signaling to the chair that they would like to speak. 2. All comments or motions are to be directed to the Chair. 3. Motions must be seconded by another Senator. If there is no second, the motion fails. A second does not indicate support, but rather affirms the Senators interest in discussing the matter further. 4. After a motion has been seconded, the members may debate the motion or move directly to a vote.
 - d. Vice President Dueñas: This bill 1) changes voting threshold to $\frac{2}{3}$ vote, rather than majority vote 2) makes the definition of abstention clearer. Abstention from voting will only happen if a senator has direct financial gain from the event and 3) makes it so that we cannot hear more than one motion at one time.
 - e. Sen. Boynton: This bill is incredibly important especially as we go in circles waiting for motions to fail. This will help in alleviating much wasted time and will provide more clarity in conversations for the future.
- c. Keep Whittier Welcoming Bill – Max Hoversten (ASWC)**
- a. This bill was presented last week, but this hearing is the bill’s first official reading.
 - b. This bill asks: “The ASWC publicly denounce the racist, misogynistic, xenophobic, homophobic rhetoric and proposed policies of the recent campaign cycle as incompatible with the mission statement of the ASWC, as well as the Quaker values that Whittier College was founded upon and continues to reference today.”
 - c. Furthermore, the bill asks the ASWC publicly condemn discriminatory acts of harassment connected to the rhetoric employed in the latest campaign cycle, on the grounds of these acts being incompatible with the provision of a welcoming environment for all students, the College’s

stated belief “that all individuals should be treated with dignity and respect” , and the Whittier College Nondiscrimination Policy

- d. Pres. Rashid: I think that this is a brilliantly written bill. I was very much opposed to last week’s bill and am very pleased with this bill. My only concern is to add Professor Paul Kjellburg and Professor Joyce Kaufman, chair of the faculty Senate to the list of recipients.
- e. Sen. Boynton: I very much admire this bill. Can you specify a discriminatory act of harassment in the last “Let it be resolved?”
- f. Sen. Vega: Max (author) is wanting to write a letter and have all senators sign it in support.
- g. Sen. Scriber: I would be comfortable if Max Hoversten wrote a letter and all senators signed the bill in support.
- h. Sec. Parviainen: I do not like that this bill is politically oriented. Why not just write the bill generally stating that we will denounce all forms of harassment and violence?
- i. Sen. Fossier: I agree with Sec. Parviainen. I do not necessarily like that the bill is targeted towards those with certain political preferences. However, you do not really need to write a bill denouncing harassment, hate, and violence because that is already self-explanatory.

d. Updated Funding & Allocation Bill – Treasurer Heymans and Vice President Dueñas

- a. Presented by Pres. Rashid because Vice President Dueñas felt that she would be in a breach of conduct if she presented the bill and had the opportunity to call on herself to respond to the public.
- b. Vice President Dueñas: One of the main points of conversation is to reallocate funds to the General Account instead of Program Board.
- c. This bill reads: the ASWC Senate Constitution Article III section B, be edited to go into effect in the Fall of 2017 to read the following: All members shall pay an ASWC fee of \$120.00 per semester, 80% of which will go to the Senate, 20% percent of which will go to Media Council. The fee will be subject to increase based on inflation.
 - 1. The ASWC Senate Constitution Article III be amended to go into effect in the Fall of 2017 to add item c. which reads the following: “Of the 80% allocated to the Senate, 35% of this will be allocated to the Program Board. 9% will be allocated to the Operational Account and 56% will remain in the General Fund;”
 - 2. The ASWC Senate Bylaws Article VIII Section A be amended to read: “A. As determined by the Senate, Program Board shall receive a standard allocation of 35% of the General Fund, after the

Media Council allocation. After review, the budget must be presented to the ASWC Senate Budget Committee for final approval and posted for the student body. To be held accountable by the Senate, the Program Board Chair must also present monthly updates concerning their account along with their planned programs. Program board may also a request additional funding programs through the regular funding process as outlined in the funding policies.”

3. “Media Council, as the sole funding body of the ASWC Senate, must submit a funding code by the second to last week of the Spring semester of 2017 to the Administrative and Budget Committees of the ASWC Senate for collaborative revisions with the Chairs of Administrative and Budget Committee;”
4. “Media Council must submit a list of all equipment in their possession which the student body owns by the last day of classes of the Spring 2017”
5. “From this point forward, Media Council is required to submit a funding code to the Administrative Committee within one month of the first day of the Fall Semester to undergo collaborative revisions with the Chairs of Administrative and Budget Committee;”
6. “Media Council, as a funding body, is required to hold a training led by the Chair of Media Council and the Media Council Senate Representative beginning in the Fall of 2017 to educate their members on best practices when funding organizations, in which the Treasurer and Vice President of ASWC Senate are invited;”
7. “Media Council may make changes to their funding code, given that it is adopted by the member organizations within a voting threshold of their choosing;”
8. “The ASWC Senate Bylaws Article VIII is amended to go into effect in the Fall of 2017 to include section B which will read: “As determined by the Senate, the Media Council shall receive a standard allocation of 20% of the Student Body Fee. To be held accountable to the student body, the Media Council Representative must also present monthly updates concerning their account. Media Council may also request additional funding programs from the ASWC General Fund through the regular funding process as outlined in the funding policies”;

9. “the Bylaws be amended to add Article IX to go into effect in the Fall of 2017 entitled Media Council Funding which shall be read as the following: “Article IX: Media Council A. As determined by the Senate, Media Council shall receive a standard allocation of 20% of the student body fee. To be held accountable by the Senate, the Senate Representative must also present monthly updates concerning their account along with their planned programs. Media Council may also a request additional funding programs from the ASWC Senate through the regular funding process as outlined in the funding policies. B. Media Council must submit a funding code to the Administrative Committee within one month of the first day of the Fall semester classes to undergo a collaborative revision process with both the Vice President and Treasurer of ASWC Senate, if deemed necessary by the Vice President and Treasurer. The Funding Code must then be adopted by the Media Council with a voting threshold of their choosing; C. The Media Council must submit an inventory to the Executive Cabinet of the ASWC Senate detailing the items in their possession which are owned by the Student Body”;
- d. Sen. Boynton: All Media Council members in attendance have drafted a letter to the table signed by the presidents of each media organization. The letter reads:
 1. The Updated Funding Allocation Bill has brought forward concerns that Media Council is prepared to address, such as our lack of a Funding Code and updated Constitution. We would like the opportunity to legitimize our governing body and become a more effective entity for the ASWC
 2. Media Council’s timeline and plans for the upcoming year are: A Media Council Retreat, begin writing the Media Council Funding Code, Constitutions and Bylaws all in January of 2017. Media Council will continue to work on the Funding Code, Constitution, Bylaws, throughout the spring of 2017
- e. Sam Esposito (President of Media Council): We have invested in costly equipment due to the rapid evolution of technology. Media Council is in a historic rebuilding process that is proposed to be finished by the end of the spring semester. We ask for your assistance and patience as we evolve through this period of transition.
- f. Dir. Manning: The only funding that this bill is taking away is that of Acropolis correct? I feel as though the second to last paragraph is

- misleading because it implies that this funding change, there will be a challenge in organizations' ability to publish media.
- g. Vice President Dueñas: This bill looks at the amount that Acropolis was allocated as a part of Media Council's budget and used those numbers to inform this bill.
 - h. QC Representative (Managing Editor): Cuts in funding would be problematic because the QC is trying to revamp its website. In order to make our website better, we need to continue to request funds from Media Council. We are trying to make a Spanish speaking addition to the website so that our content can be read in Spanish.
 - i. KPOET Representative (General Manager): KPOET has not previously been able to grow until this semester as we have been able to request more funds from Media Council. K-Chella is hosted by KPOET through Media Council and funds are needed to support this event. It attracts students who do not feel comfortable attending dances and other events on campus.
 - j. WCSN Representative (Club President): WCSN does not have a strong presence on campus. I want to change that. We represent the Whittier community, not just athletics. WCSN allows students who are sports broadcasting and communication majors to practice valuable skills that are needed for their endeavors post undergrad.
 - k. VPS Representative (Junior Executive Producer): Budget cuts will hinder our growth and will slow our evolution compared to the rapidly changing film industry. Budget cuts will not allow students to go past their minimums or national conferences. VPS has taken many hits this year as we have had to relocate our office to other places on campus.
 - l. QC TV Representative: We are behind in growth as it stands already. Budget cuts would only delay our growth even more than it already is.
 - m. Sigma Tau Delta: We allow for students to be able to publish their work. They have a budget of \$10,000 per semester and every senior uses this for their senior projects.
 - n. Alex Hackworth: These media organizations, as noted by Sam Esposito, are in a historic transition. These organizations have grown so much this year and will only continue to grow with the additional funding that have rolled over. We need funds to help this period of transition. Cutting funds will only delay us in our quest to grow.
 - o. Sen. Vega: I understand the need for this bill. A large chunk of money has been rolled over into Media Council's account. However, I do not feel that we should be making changes to their budget halfway through the year. I

- am very happy with the goals that Media Council outlined in their letter and feel that they are on top of their stuff.
- p. Vice President Dueñas: This is in no way a response to the way that Media Council has dispersed their funds. This bill is rather in response to the Acropolis no longer existing.
- q. Sen. Boynton: Currently with the QC, it cost \$20,000 to print our papers. We would like to move towards eight full pages of color for all of our papers. Every couple of years our equipment dies out just as our personal electronic devices do. We are looking to purchase more sustainable equipment, such as the Flypack we talked about earlier in the meeting which has a lifetime of 5-10 years. Media Council is already behind about 5 years of progress and if funds are cut, we will only fall farther behind.
- r. Sen. Bettridge: All of our campus appreciates the work that Media Council does. However, many constituents are curious why you all get so much funding. My clubs have to come in to Senate and fight for funds whereas your organizations do not.
- s. Sen. Blomso: The bill says that you have funded approximately \$144,000. Can you bring in a line item list of equipment that has been funded this year? I am interested in the funding process for your organizations.
- t. Former Editor of the QC (Poet Alumni): I have learned such important tools and skills from my time in the QC and these students need funding to prepare them for their future.
- u. Treasurer Heymans: \$17,000 has been funded for the Flypack, over \$5,000 was funded for the QC trip to D.C., \$2,200 was funded for Josh Hartman to accompany the QC, the spring concert approved for \$40,000, Dub C Film Fest was funded \$1,400, the WCSN budget for the fall semester is \$3,869, Sigma Tau Delta was funded almost \$10,000 for the semester, the QCTV budget for the semester is \$6,000 and 1\$0,000 for VPS for the semester.
- v. Sen. Vega: I think it is a false equivalency to compare organizations. Media Council has organizations that employ students If QC misses a publication, everyone notices. If the ASA Club misses a meeting, nobody cares or misses and they can easily make it up. Each organization has different roles and importance on campus.
- w. Dir. Manning: Can you all come into Senate whenever equipment stops working?
- x. Sen. Boynton: It goes through Media Council as opposed to Senate because of the unique understanding that we have of technical equipment. We are a funding body to separate government (ASWC Senate) from

media. If the government is funding the media, it can be seen as influential.

- y. Rep. McMurray: How many newspapers go uncollected and unread on campus?
- z. QC Representative: In the 2015-16 academic year we printed at a unit price of \$600 we have downgraded to below \$400. We have cut 100 newspapers per week from being printed from last year. Our pickup rates last year fluctuated from 60-80%. In terms of printing this year, we made cuts in total quantity produced because we saw a surplus in newspapers not being read. Salient issues to the campus are picked up more frequently than issues not impacting the student body.
 - aa. Dean Perez: This is the first school that I have been at where media organizations have not had to go into the general student body government to request funding. It is also important to note that Alex Hackworth's salary is being paid for by the Media Council.
 - bb. Sen. Blomso: How much does the Buzz App cost and how is that presented to the campus?
 - cc. Sen. Boynton: The Buzz App was funded last semester with a notion that this council would continue to push out the app for years to come. The Buzz App has had trouble adding our media content and is advertised at the end of each QC TV episode, among other places. We have done our best for pushing it out and marketing the app.
 - dd. Sam Esposito: We had each organization write-up pros and cons of the app. We have collected the concerns and are working with administrators to mitigate those concerns.
 - ee. Alex Hackworth: The Media Council that you see today has drastically changed in the past three years. We have created VPS and WCSN, and revived Sigma Tau Delta. We are just getting our feet wet and need another three years to get where we need to be.
 - ff. Sen. Vega: Having up to date equipment allows them to create more jobs for students on campus and can cover more issues than before. We have a Media Council representative on the table for a reason – most of us do not understand what those organizations need. If we are not going to listen to the Media Council representative, then why have a representative at all?
 - gg. Sen. Blomso: There is a concern that if we cut your funding, that organizations will die out. However, we have given you all so much funding and organizations have died regardless. To WCSN: what sports

are covered on campus because I am on the swim team and have never seen you at an event?

- hh. WCSN Representative: We try and cover all sporting events but simply do not have the man power to do so. If you feel that you are not covering your sport enough, I would love to hear your concerns and we can work on covering those sports that have not been covered.
- ii. Treasurer Heymans: It is my understanding that Alex Hackworth is getting paid out of Media Council's budget and is being paid as much as an Assistant Dean would make. That is of utmost concern as these are student body fees being used to amass a large salary.
- jj. Media Council Representative: We had an extensive conversation about hiring Alex Hackworth. His contribution to our orgs has allowed us to grow in ways that we could not imagine. He has given our organizations a vision and a path to grow. The Flypack that we funded will allow us to broadcast games so that family and friends off campus can watch the games. Media Council has funded a large amount of events in good faith and have not done so irresponsibly. The Flypack benefits every media organization.
- kk. Vice President Dueñas: I am still curious as to how these cuts will financially effect each of your organizations. You all continue to voice that cuts will affect you negatively, but you are not specifically stating what will be effected. So please for next week, please bring in a line by line agenda of how funding cuts will affect your organizations.
- ll. Dir. Marquez: Program Board is also affected by this bill. We are limited to the events that we can throw based on the amount of funds we are allocated. If Program Board had these funds, we could do so many great things for the campus. There is so much we can do with the amount of money we have. So many career opportunities can be founded if Program Board had additional funds. It is sad to continue to see events fail year after year due to a limited budget.
- mm. Sen. Scriber: I move to table this discussion (close the discussion for the first reading) until next week
- nn. Sen. Laguna: I second the motion

XVII. Announcements

- a. Sen. Vega: Text SUBSCRIBE WCPOETS to 23177 to subscribe for the emergency updates from Campus Security.
- b. Vice President Dueñas: Happy 21st Birthday Sen. Angileri in three days!
- c. President Rashid: I need help with interviews and surveys for my Mellon Mays Fellowship.

- d. Sen. Bettridge: Have fun with your families this break!
 - e. Sen. Scurr: Tuesday Dec. 6 from 5-7pm will be a discussion on where funds are allocated for the 7 Year Plan. The lighting tour will follow the discussion.
- XVIII.** Meeting is adjourned at 11:02 pm by **Sen. Vega.**

Respectfully Submitted by John Parviainen, *Secretary of ASWC*