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Meeting Minutes for September 25th, 2017

- I. Meeting is called to order at 7:01PM
- II. Moment of Silence/Inspirational quote

“I believe things cannot make themselves impossible.” Stephen Hawking

Sen. Johnson

III. 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 its actions, the Senate will serve the students first with integrity, dedication, responsibility and humility.

Read by Sen. Trout

IV. Roll Call-Secretary Scurr

- a. **Present:** President Scurr, Treasurer Conlon, Director Zonni, Director Wells, Senator Trout, Senator Delgado, Senator Grossman, Senator Gonzalez, Senator Britton, Senator Merino, Senator Johnson, Senator Olague, Senator Sternberg, Senator Bang-Guerin
- b. **Absent excused:** Sen. Hidalgo, Sen. Segura
- c. **Unexcused:** N/A

V. Guest—President Sharon Herzberger

- a. I hope that you take advantage of the student input sessions for the president search!
- b. We are watching Washington to know how we should respond to issues that come up. We feel that California as a state will provide some safety to schools. We are very aware of Sec. DeVoss wanted to change Title IX but we do not intend on making changes because of her changes. We feel comfortable with our process and it has been reviewed and don't anticipate any changes. We are paying attention to finance changes with Pell Grants and work-study as a budget. We are doing our best to stay aware, know the implications, and fight back when we can. If there are any changes, we will help students to prepare how to fight back.
- c. We have opened 11 new positions to grow the campus faculty. Some were filled last year, but some carried over and those searches will continue.
- d. I received the Student Bills of Rights and I believe this work is phenomenal. ***Snaps*** I believe it is very well written and full. I would like to applaud the authors, Eryn Wells and Amer Rashid.
- e. Student Bill of Rights signing (view under Files on the ASWC OrgSync page)

VI. Minutes Amendment/Approval

a. Approved by Sen. Bang-Guerin

b. Seconded by Sen. Johnson

VII. President's Message- President Scurr

a. Met with Tobacco Free Task Force last Friday

a. 12-month process

b. Attended a Whittier General Vision Meeting with Sec. Martin

a. It was an opportunity to discuss the plan for the future of Whittier as a town.

b. We had a great discussion about forming a town-gown relationship with the city and look forward to working with the city in the future.

c. Next meeting will be Saturday, September 30th at 9AM-12PM at Whittier Train Depot or at 1PM-4PM at Palm Park.

VIII. Public Voice

IX. Treasurer's Report- Treasurer Conlon

a. General Fund Balance: \$79180.55

b. Operational Account Balance: \$11188.79

c. Reserve Account Balance: \$16135.40

d. Allocated thus far: \$7370.32

e. First readings: \$1000

f. Daily Calendar Considerations: \$65650

X. Constituent Reports

a. Academic Affairs Chair – *Sen. Trout*

a. The labs in the SLC have been cleaned and are ready to use. A report from the stock room says the water has been shut off and facilities is working on a more permanent solution to fixing the air conditioning problem. For now, all is Well!

b. First Year Class Council- *N/A*

a. Vote in this week's election for FCC on Wednesday, September 27th from 8AM-8PM on OrgSync!

c. Commuter Representative - *Sen. Delgado*

a. Great first meeting at student feedback committee. We are looking to schedule a time with Dean Joel Perez to go over our constituents concerns and has out any possible misunderstandings we may have had.

b. I have been in communication with the tap card representative at metro through voicemail. I have yet to actually speak to her but I plan to have a finalizing conversation with her tomorrow.

d. Residential Hall Representative – *N/A*

a. Vote in this week's election for FCC on Wednesday, September 27th from 8AM-8PM on OrgSync!

e. Student Body Representative - *Sen. Hidalgo*

- a. I've been in contact with Dean Joel Perez regarding the current parking situation, I will be discussing this further in my Student Feedback Committee report. He did mention that students STILL need to register their cars, we cannot get an accurate count and think of ways to accommodate without people registering their cars.
- b. I wish to move Disneyland tickets to miscellaneous, and I'd like to discuss with the rest of the table regarding Senate funding more money towards tickets.
- c. today we received an email regarding the creation of the tobacco committee. I've had several constituents already mention it to me, and I hope I could work with the task force and make my constituents concerns clear.
- f. Student Body Representative - *Sen. Grossman*
 - a. I will be emailing Dean Pérez regarding the progress of the purchasing of MedSleds for emergency evacuations.
- g. Student Body Representative – *N/A*
 - a. Vote in this week's election for FCC on Wednesday, September 27th from 8AM-8PM on OrgSync!
- h. Student Body Representative – *N/A*
 - a. Vote in this week's election for FCC on Wednesday, September 27th from 8AM-8PM on OrgSync!
- i. Diversity Council Representative - *Sen. Gonzalez*
 - a. "The Office of Equity and Inclusion had the first of their discussion series "Spilling the Tea on Diversity" last Tuesday and there was a really great turnout and great discussion. Huge thank you to Siobhan Skerritt for leading the discussion on social media, bias and how that can harm marginalized communities. The next discussion will be on October 18th from 4:30-5:30pm in the Office of Equity and Inclusion. This week the OEI will be hosting an LGBTQ Mixer this Wednesday from 6-7pm in the OEI. Also, the 46th Annual Tardeada will be from 4-6:30pm this Saturday in the Campus Center Courtyard, all students and their families are welcome to join us as we celebrate Latino heritage. There will be Latin American food, live entertainment, student performances and prizes. The event is free and donations are welcome. For Diversity Council, our next general meeting will be this Tuesday from 5:30-6:30pm in the OEI."
- j. Inter-Club Council Representative - *Sen. Britton*
 - a. Tuesday office hours 3-4:40pm
 - b. Thursday was our first ICC meeting 4:30-6pm, approved 3 clubs (business club, cheer club, dub-c hoops club), approved constitutional amendments

changing the term from all year long to being decided at the end of the semester if they want to reelect the ICC chair or find another person for it. Second changed position name from president to ICC chair. Eliminated secretary position. Created amendment that in order to become a club again after becoming inactive they must go to the council and give an explanation as to why and then the council votes and must have at least 2/3 yay in order to have the club be active again. Eliminated rule that the new ICC rep must go to the last meeting of the year with the old ICC rep.

c. Friday office hours 11a,-12pm, helped kinesiology club with funding request and what they need to do to be ready for first reading and after that

k. Social Justice Coalition Representative - *Sen. Segura*

a. The first Social Justice Coalition meeting will be held on September 27th from 4:30pm-5:30pm in the O.E.I.

l. Media Council Representative - *Sen. Merino*

a. Media Council

1. Collaboration between groups
2. KPOET and QC are collaborating on CD reviews
3. WCSN possible collab with KPOET

b. QC

1. Covered the starting portion of the Presidential search
2. Possibly covering parking again.
3. \$25,863.65 (2015-2016)
4. \$23,189.69 (2016-2017)

c. VPS

1. Dub C film fest in October
2. Casting call open to the gen pub and local area
3. New faces at the meetings

d. WCSN

1. Three broadcast on Saturday Soccer, football, volleyball
 2. 20 new people
 3. First meeting tonight 6pm at hall of fame room
- a. Going over funding equipment

e. KPOET

1. CD reviewers are up and running
 2. Waiting for the booth to get up and running
- a. Possible event when the booth launches

f. QCTV

1. Still trying to look for new hires
- a. Reaching out from the activities fair
- b. First episode soon

g. MISC.

1. Cozy Concerts QCTV and KPOET (TBD)
2. Possible on campus event
3. Covered by QC to advertise it

m. Poet Student Athlete Leadership Academy Male Rep- *Sen. Johnson*

a. The ribbon cutting ceremony for the renovated Memorial Stadium and the Aubrey-Bonham Track took place on Saturday, the football team then had their home opener against nationally ranked Arizona Christian. They lost 56-38 and will play at home again next weekend against CMS.

b. Men's Soccer lost to top ranked Redlands.

c. Men's Water Polo beat both, Pomona-Pitzer and Occidental, this past week.

d. Men's Cross Country did not race this weekend.

a. Men's Golf competed in two tournaments in the last two weeks and has a match against Chapman this week. Poet Student Athlete Leadership Academy Female Rep- *Sen. Olague*

e. Women's Golf placed second at their tournament this weekend

f. Women's Soccer beat Chapman Wednesday but lost Saturday to La Verne

g. Women's Volleyball won against Occidental Tuesday but lost to Cal Lutheran on Saturday.

h. The Dive team is looking for new members.

b. Inter-Society Council Male Rep- *Sen. Sternberg*

i. Nothing to add to Sen. Bang-Guerin's report

c. Inter-Society Council Female Rep- *Sen. Bang-Guerin*

j. Palmers: recruitment at lift October 26th at 6pm

k. Maybe do inter-society fundraiser for Mexico and Puerto Rico victims of natural disasters, more to come next week

l. William Penns: Fundraiser at Blaze this Thursday, September 28th 6pm-10pm, flyer on instagram on facebook

m. Metaphonians: TwentyTwo Below fundraiser Sept. 25th at 6:02-8:52pm

1. Open house now October 16th at the Garret House

2. Gold n' stuff fundraiser Monday October 2nd 4-9pm

n. Ionians: Friday, September 29th 5-8pm at Ono Hawaiian BBQ flyer going to be on instagram

XI. Committee Reports

a. Administrative –*President Scurr*

a. Wednesdays at 4:30pm in the Senate Office

b. Res Hall: We discussed that commuters have their own concerns as compared to res hall students. It would be best to have commuters vote for their own rep and vice versa.

c. Part-Time Students and Voting:

1. Sen. Olague called the business office to ask if part-time students pay the Student Body Fee and learned that they do not. Therefore, part-time students should not be considered for voting in our opinion.

d. "Article II: Membership

A. Membership in the ASWC shall be required of all full-time registered undergraduate students.

B. All ASWC members shall pay an ASWC Student Body Fee.

C. All ASWC members shall have the right to participate in proceedings of the student government, the ASWC Senate"

- a. The question we brought up is "Are Part time students part of the ASWC?". Well, they do not pay the ASWC Student Body Fee, therefore they are not considered part of the ASWC as per the Constitution.

e. Appealing and Unanimous Decision:

- f. The word "unanimous" is only brought up once in the constitution, which is the part we are concerned about. We think it's best to leave it as is. Unanimous means all 3 members must approve

b. Budget- *Treasurer Conlon*

- a. Our new bill will be read tonight under Misc. Business
- b. Meet at noon on Fridays in the Senate Office!

c. Campus Relations- *Director Wells*

- a. Each month, a different governing body will get to use the board outside the Senate office
- b. Every Monday we will showcase a senator of the week on our social media!

d. Elections- *Secretary Martin*

- a. Meet every Tuesday at 3:30

e. Program Board – *Director Zonni*

- a. Met with Program Board E-Board
- b. Met with Program Board Chairs at our Tuesday Meeting at 5
- c. Met with Alumni Relations to continue discuss our role in Whittier Weekend, and how we can collaborate with them
- d. Currently working on filling a few more Program Board Committee Chair Positions

f. Advocacy- *President Scurr*

- a. Wednesdays at 4:30pm in the Senate Office

- b. A student had stripped on the stairs between the CI and the bookstore, spraining her ankle. Sen. Britton determined which path to take using the institution's organizational chart. Dean Hartman was consulted in the Dean of Students office. He has been copied on an email sent to facilities director, Jonathan Estrella. It was suggested a handrail may have prevented or lessened the injury. A photo was taken of the area in questioned and edited to show where a railing may go.
 - c. We will find out how much this project would cost by Thursday, Sept 28th.
 - d. Correspond with Facilities Director Estrella over the course of the year
- g. Culinary- *Director Wells & Director Zonni*
 - a. Creating a dietary restrictions survey to send to the student body
 - b. Will be outside of the CI, Science Center, and Library
 - c. Will be working with Bon Appetit to better advertise their options
 - d. Bon Appetit will agree to change the meal swap time to 7:30-9:30pm to better accommodate athletes. They will either extend their time or change it if they see a positive change.
- h. Student Feedback- *Sen. Olague and Sen. Hidalgo*
 - a. The committee has email Dean Joel Perez on behalf of our constituents regarding parking.
 - b. We listed several concerns from students, and asked to be apart of some sort of solution.
 - c. Quite frankly our committee wants more transparency, given that it seems as of right now nothing is going to change.
 - d. We will be sitting down to talk to Joel, and are currently scheduling a time that works for both him and our committee. Results tba.
- i. Student Finance – *Tres. Conlon*
 - a. Sen. Britton met with Andrew Wallis to be able to better advise students on how to get financial aid for study abroad because there is a new process
 - b. I will be meeting with someone from financial aid to also better prepare for those concerns.

XII. First Readings

- a. More Than a Word, *Dean of Students*
 - a. We would like to show the film “More Than a Word”, which will be part of a 100 showings that other schools are participating in. It is a film about the use of the term ‘redskins’ by the football team
 - b. We have received funding from the OEI and Program Board already, but need help to pay for the copy rights to this film

XIII. Daily Calendar Considerations

- a. Whittfest 2018, *Program Board*
 - a. *Keelin*: Follow up from last week:

1. Safety concerns: we will have an ambulance at the upper quad. We did a walk through with our security, facilities, and campus safety to have it deemed an appropriate space. We will be having another walk through in early October to start real planning.
- b.*Sen. Merino*: My constituents still have not heard from Program Board, why is this?
 1. *Keelin*: We need to secure funding from Senate first and will follow up after this meeting.
- c.*Sen. Johnson*: It concerns me that you have not fundraised and don't have any fundraisers planned. Are there any plans for that?
 1. *Keelin*: We are open to that, but do not see it happening without funding without Senate's funding.
 2. *Advisor Allison*: We have a committee specifically for sponsorships. We will be asking the community for contributors
 3. *Keelin*: We have talked to Red Bull about sponsoring it.
- d.*Sen. Sternberg*: I had mentioned selling passes for students to have more of an exclusive opportunity to raise money, is there more on that?
 1. *Keelin*: No, because we would like to keep this concert equitable and believe that allowing people to pay more does not follow that
- e.*Sen. Britton*: Do you have a list of possible donors?
 1. *Keelin*: We considered Uno Tea House and California Grill and have more options
- f.*Sen. Merino*: I am still concerned why you haven't reached out to media council and don't think you need Senate funds to start building a relationship
 1. *Keelin*: last year K-Chella and Whittfest were planned separately and based it off of that. I do plan to start that conversation after this.
- g.*Sen. Johnson*: How do you plan on getting the community involved?
 1. *Keelin*: We will announce the artist before the end of this term to have a better reveal and plan to have an event to kick that off. We have plans on ways to bring the whole community together in ways it hasn't been done before.
- h.*Sen. Bang-Guerin*: I think that people that go to concerts would be willing to pay that money and would feel comfortable with that.
 1. *Advisor Allison*: We really would want to keep this event equitable. We are not charging for the event at all because we won't make that much in revenue unless we charge something like \$15 or \$20 which we don't want to do.

- i. *Sen. Merino*: K-Poet's idea was to take care of food trucks and opening acts and that never happened. We have funding that we can give you, but the sooner that you reach out the better.
1. *Keelin*: We will do that.
- j. *Sen. Britton*: I think making this event free is more in the spirit of it and a moral stand that we can make. Is it possible to set a meeting time between Media Council and Program Board now?
1. *Keelin*: We would like to hold off on doing that. I have had so many people express excitement for this event already.
- k. *Sen. Johnson*: It is not necessary to charge, but \$5000 is still \$5000. This could save \$5000 from the reserve account, which does not get replaced very often.
- l. *Sen. Gonzalez*: How much do you expect to ask from other bodies?
1. *Keelin*: perhaps \$2000
- m. *Sen. Merino*: How much is Program Board paying?
1. *Keelin*: Program Board is able to give \$55000 because of the large rollover from last year
- n. *Sen. Sternberg*: Given the size of this funding request and the many ways to fund it, I would like to suggest to table this another week to give them another week to give us a more solid plan on where they intend to request money.
1. *Keelin*: we are also working on other people's timelines and we could lose the possible artist we want.
 2. *Advisor Allison*: It also gets more expensive with more time.
- o. *Sen. Johnson*: How much money do you need right now? I have reservations about giving this much money because we would like to see more concrete plans.
1. *Keelin*: The money we are requesting right now is only for the artist, so everything else revolves around that.
- p. *Keelin*: I had my idea about how to get money from different budgets of Senate, but you can decide differently if you would like.
- q. *Sen. Sternberg*: I would like to call the question.
1. *Sen. Delgado*: I second
 2. *Sen. Olague*: I object.
 3. In favor, *Sen. Britton*: I believe that we are missing the point that Keelin has been making of the steps that they are taking. I do not believe they could plan it further ahead of time, especially for students. It is important to make this event a community event through equitable financial opportunities. We may not realize the

privilege that we have, and if we can provide a concert with student body fees, that would be fantastic.

4. In favor, *Sen. Sternberg*: While I agree that it is a great event, it is a large majority of the semester budget, so we need to expect a level of professionalism greater than any event. Keelin and Rudy have had far more training than anyone to prepare for this event.
 5. *Sen. Olague*: I would like to rescind my objection.
- r. *Sen. Sternberg*: I move to fund the event in the requested amount from the requested budget.
1. *Sen. Johnson*: I second.
- s. *Sen. Sternberg*: I call the question.
1. We have 13 voting members. We need 9 present for quorum. With a vote of 8-2-0, this event is funded in the requested amount of \$65000.
- b. Recruitment Funds, *Black Student Union*
- a. We are requesting \$150 for recruitment
 - b. *Sen. Britton*: I move to fund the event
 1. *Sen. Olague*: I second - c. *Sen. Britton*: I call the question
 1. With a unanimous vote, this event is funded in the requested amount.
- c. Frality Myths, *Women's Leadership Association*
- d. *Sen. Trout*: I move to fund this event in the requested amount.
- a. *Sen. Gonzalez*: I second.
- e. *Sen. Trout*: I call the question
- a. With a vote of 9-1-0, this event is funded in the requested amount.

XIV. Misc

- a. Constitutional
- a. *Sen. Britton*: I move to amend the constitution so that any section reading "his/her" reads "their"
 - b. *Sen. Johnson*: I second
 - c. *Sen. Gonzalez*: I call the question
 1. Vote unanimously
- b. *Sen. Johnson*: I move to amend the constitution so that any section that reads "Liason" reads "Advisor" in the entirety of the constitution
- a. *Sen. Grossman*: I second
 - b. *Sen. Gonzalez*: I call the question
 1. Voted unanimously
- c. *Sen. Olague*: I move to add the Margo Latif and the Uptown Business Award
- a. *Sen. Bang-Guerin*: I second

b.Sen. Britton: I call the question.

1. Voted unanimously

- d. *Sen. Britton*: I move to amend any part of the Constitution not marked as “To be decided by the table” that we make those changes that are proposed—this includes grammar and simpler, more apparent changes.
 - a. Rescinded, move for a 5 minute recess to review all proposed amendments that would have been made by this proposed motion
- e. *Sen. Sternberg*: I move to make all friendly amendments at the discretion of Sec. Martin
 - a. Sen. Britton: I second.
 - b. Sen. Britton: I call the question.
 - c. Unanimously voted
- f. *Sec. Martin*: I would suggest in the future being careful with wording to not give power to one person.
- g. *Sen. Sternberg*: I would like to move, per our bylaws, that we vote in a different manner for a streamlined voting process. We will go one by one, moderated by President Scurr, with enough time for objections or proposals for discussion.
 - a. Voted unanimously
- h. *Sen. Sternberg*: I move to add a clause to have an exception made for Senator of the Year Award where it states that no senator shall receive an award.
 - a. Voted unanimously
- i. *Sen. Sternberg*: I move to change the Program Board to be advise by a professional staff member of the LEAP office instead of the Assistant Director of Student Activities
 - a. Voted unanimously
- j. *Sen. Sternberg*: I move to table the vote on the comments about the QC and publications made by the Campus Relations Director
 - a. Voted unanimously
- k. *Sen. Sternberg*: I move to have the constitution read “Request yearly or semesterly budgets from recognized councils, coalitions, and governing bodies” in the Treasurers’ responsibilities instead of individual clubs
 - a. Voted unanimously
- l. *Sen. Sternberg*: I move to amend the constitution to add the position of Environmental Action Advocate as described
 - a. Voted unanimously
- m. *Sen. Johnson*: I move to table this discussion for administrate committee and come back next week to vote

XV. Homecoming Discussion- *Dir. Zonni*

- a. We would like homecoming court to be more gender inclusive, but we also aren't sure if it's something that we want to keep having. We appreciate any comments or feedback.
- XVI.** Sweaters Update- *Sen. Merino*
 - a. Still working on it with the bookstore
- XVII.** Disneyland tickets- *Sen. Hidalgo*
 - a. We would like to ask the LEAP Office about purchasing more tickets for Disneyland.
- XVIII.** Efficacy Funding Bill- *Tres. Conlon*
 - a. Document will be available by tomorrow at 5pm on OrgSync
- XIX. Announcements**
- XX. Adjournment**
 - a. Sen. Olague motions to adjourn the meeting.
 - b. Sen. Johnson seconds the motion with no objections.
 - c. Meeting adjourned at 9:58 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Hannah Martin, *Secretary of the ASWC*