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Meeting Minutes for Monday, March 12 2018

- I. Meeting is called to order at 7:10 PM**
- II. Moment of Silence/Inspirational quote read by Sen. Reeder**
- 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. Bang-Guerin
- IV. Roll Call-Secretary Martin**
 - a. **Present:** President Scurr, Vice President Monreal, Treasurer Conlon, Director Zonni, Representative Bertelsen, Senator Trout, Senator Barrientos, Senator Delgado, Senator Joachim, Senator Reeder, Senator Grossman, Senator Lowinger, Senator Gonzalez, Senator Segura, Senator Hills, Senator Merino, Senator Lira, Senator Bang-Guerin
 - b. **Absent excused:** Senator Johnson, Senator Olague,
 - c. **Unexcused:** NA
- V. Minutes Amendment/Approval**
 - a. **Approved by Sen. Hills**
 - b. **Seconded by Sen. Reeder**
- VI. Public Voice**
 - a. **Dean Perez: Committee on Clubs and Organizations “Stop Hazing” Survey Results**
 - a. **Plan to come to ISC**
 - b. Quantitative: results separated by year and group affiliation.
 - c. 31.9% response rate, compared ResHall 44% response rate
 - d. Qualitative: interviews, focus groups (students and staff)
 - e. Highlights!
 1. 82.1% students agree they have clear understanding of hazing policy
 2. 51.5% students in societies experience hazing
 3. 221 who affiliate with student organization or team, 33.9%

f. Top Three

1. Be deprived of sleep (31.8% compared to 17% with National Study)
2. Sing or chant (28.8% compared to 31% with National Study)
3. Be yelled, screamed, or cursed at by other members (22.7%)

g. Summary

1. Small, connected, involved campus: build stronger connections
2. Students feel new members must go through what they did; believe actions do not constitute hazing. Students fear reporting hazing due to social ostracization.

h. Recommendations

1. Encourage mandatory staff, advisor and coach training with what constitutes hazing.
2. Employ methods of social marketing; look at low end of spectrum, including those normalized.
3. Provide leadership development training targeted to help students make ethical decisions.
4. Develop and widely disseminate information targeted to Whittier alumni regarding hazing prevention.
5. Build on the culture of strong alumni engagement in student organizations, teams, and Office of Advancement. Change prevailing alumni support of hazing “traditions.”

i. Q&A

1. Student: Like to echo involve alumni and students in workshops, but heard PM’s and Presidents of societies invited in the Fall exclusively. PSALA, meeting, sent out to other student organizations, too. Sen. Bang-Guerin informed of meeting, happened yesterday.
 2. Dean Perez: Step Up, NCAA, promoting bystander intervention.
 3. Treasurer Conlon: What definition of “hazing” was used?
- a. Dean Perez: National definition.
4. Student: Can’t remember if survey was asking for all organizations?
- a. Dean Perez: Asked for primary organization.
5. Student: would it be possible for students to answer more in-depth?
 6. Dean Perez: Using standard questionnaire they developed, only changed “Society” language from “Fraternities/Sororities.”
- j. Sen. Segura: Why did you choose to only have the primary organization reported on?
- k. Student: When did you start collecting data and how long?

1. Week before orientation, three week window.
2. Student: How long did the company need to disseminate the data?
 - a. Brought to us in October and followed with campus visit.
 - l. Treasurer Conlon: How were meetings scheduled?
 1. Tried to get students of all backgrounds, as well as staff.
 - m. Student: Why wasn't this disseminated to the proper groups before initiation?
 1. Timing and getting presentation together was difficult.
 - n. Dean Perez: Thank you for helping fund this process.
 - o. Student: Assailant on campus over Saturday. Handled very well, notification, but this person has a twitter and posted a video of them burning a flag.
 - p. Dean Perez: Communications is monitoring social media. Please call CS right away, if feeling estranged.
 - q. Sen. Reeder: Was the individual successful?
 1. Student: Was not a blaze, but they did start a fire.
 - r. Sen. Reeder: Could we identify this person?
 1. Student: At Active Shooter training, learned about needing to send warrant to Twitter.
 - s. Sen. Bang-Guerin: What is CS doing to ensure patrolling is successful?
 1. Dean Perez: Trying to be as visible as possible. Director Padilla will be at open forum tomorrow. Myself and President Herzberger will be there, too.

VII. President's Message- President Scurr

- a. Meeting with Dean Perez earlier this afternoon. Discussed gender equity center, recognizing student leaders, the presidential search, cultural graduation funding, and following up on Saturday's on-campus intruder. Dean Perez sent an email out following our meeting. Communications is monitoring social media. We will dedicate some time later in tonight's meeting to discuss the incident. Joel clarified Dean of Students has not directly provided funding for cultural graduations yet. Currently, OEI as well as Jenny Guera and the Ortiz Programs have allocated funds and time toward these events. The presidential search has a pool of candidates being interviewed off campus, as it is a confidential search. Dean Perez has spoken with President Herzberger, whom has not heard anything about such a center in her time here. However, they are open to continued conversations and hearing something in the form of a bill. Dean Perez suggested it would probably gain the most traction with a new college president. With a new president, there is a strategic planning process, and a gender equity center could be born from that.
- b. We have also heard an overview of the hazing survey results from Dean Perez tonight.
- c. As we prepare for Spring Break, let's be careful and thorough. Take your time to think through your points and questions. Think back on those times you heard

someone else ask or say something, and you went, "I wish I thought of that!" Breathe, be ready to problem-solve, and put yourself in an open mindset with the present moment.

VIII. Treasurer's Report- Treasurer Conlon

- a. General Fund Balance: \$1,136.80
- b. Operational Account Balance: \$8,491.23
- c. Reserve Account Balance: \$2,523.15
- d. Allocated thus far: \$82,379.52
- e. First readings: \$4,250.00
- f. Daily Calendar Considerations: \$500.00
 - a. Sen. Bang-Guerin: Does this number include the returned funds from PENNTronic, which is no longer happening?
 - b. Treas. Conlon: Yes.

IX. Constituent Reports

- a. Academic Affairs Chair – *Sen. Trout*
 - a. I'm currently gathering suggestions for what kind of classes students want to see at Whittier College. If you have any ideas for new classes, or professors you'd like teaching those classes (especially May term) please let me know!
 - b. Facilities has requested a quote to add a water refill station in Hoover.
- b. First Year Class Council-*Sen. Barrientos*
 - a. We will be hosting a video game tournament event for first years where they could win a gaming console!
- c. Commuter Representative - *Sen. Delgado*
 - a. N/A
- d. Residential Hall Representative – N/A
 - a. N/A
- e. Student Body Representative - *Sen. Reeder*
 - a. Whittier walk-out on Wednesday the 14th at 10 am. Facebook event says: "In light of the recent
 - b. shooting at Stoneman Douglas High School in Florida, Community Unity is participating in The
 - c. Woman's March Youth Coordinators "National School Walkout". For 17 minutes at 10:00am
 - d. across every time zone on March 14, 2018, we will stop what we are doing to stand together.
 - e. Community Unity is hosting our own "Whittier Walk Out" to protest Congress's inaction,
 - f. respond to the gun violence, and to stand in solidarity with the 17 lives lost. We are calling on all

- g. Whittier College students, faculty, and staff as well as local community members to participate
- h. for this short yet powerful event. During the "WALK OUT", we will be painting the rock while
- i. listening to two guest student speakers. PLEASE SHARE THIS EVENT & ENCOURAGE
- j. YOUR SOCIAL NETWORK TO PARTICIPATE. If you have any questions or wish to
- k. participate further please reach out to Maggie Niemann: mnieman@poets.whittier.edu. Let us
- l. join the movement with peace and purpose.”
- m. Talk to your professors, most have been supportive of participation in this movement, one
- n. professor extended midterm time to accommodate this event.
- o. Heard concerns from several students regarding events on Saturday with a trespasser on campus,
- p. were concerned with uncertainty surrounding email sent out, left most questions unanswered.
- q. Email today helped some concerns but not all, they will be bringing that up in the town hall
- r. tomorrow.
- s. There were two active shooting trainings today with campus safety. One from 2-4, other from
- t. 5-7. Heard it went really well.
- u. Continuing to plan Marginalized Voices forum, submitted EMS, waiting for confirmation. Will
- v. have more updates after spring break
- f.** Student Body Representative - *Sen. Grossman*
 - a. N/A
- g.** Student Body Representative – *N/A*
 - a. N/A
- h.** Student Body Representative - *Sen. Lowinger*
 - a. Several international students studying at Whittier College this spring have expressed to me that they wish there was an "international food day" in both semesters so that they could experience a celebration of their cultures.
In response to their requests, I will be communicating with Bon Appetite to discuss the possibility of hosting two international food days, one in the fall and one in the spring, so that international students are not excluded from the celebration.

b. Also, I am still collaborating with Campus Safety on the issue of visibility on Earlham Drive. Progress on this project is slow but steady.

i. Diversity Council Representative - *Sen. Gonzalez*

a. The Ability in Disability Forum this Wednesday in December House at 2:30pm

j. Inter-Club Council Representative - *Sen. Hills*

a. Thursday ICC meeting 4:30 in Club 88

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

a. Social Justice Week coming up where we will discuss the legal system and capitalism. Any suggestions are welcome! Joanna Andre was our guest speaker last week and we really enjoyed her meditation techniques.

b. Also a fun fact, the FL government upped security after the shooting and is allowing teachers to carry guns. They will be upping funding toward security to teach teachers how to operate guns rather than the actual education.

l. Media Council Representative - *Sen. Merino*

a. KPOET

1. Helping with Whitfest
2. Battle of the bands went well

b. WCSN

1. Sun -- men's lacrosse
2. Today filming women's lacrosse
3. Wed- baseball
4. Lauren working on a video for softball and women's water polo

c. QC

1. Covering Rudy Marquez and Senate discussing him without his knowledge
2. District 2 candidate
3. ASWC and how their budget is running out fast.
4. Malware attack that happened over the weekend
5. Great women in sports

d. VPS

1. Spanish film festival went well
2. Second film this Wednesday at 7 in Hoover 100 (Second mother is the film)

e. QCTV

1. Wednesday Wellness going up this week

f. Funded the Sigma Tau Delta Greenleaf review -- 2200

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

- a. **Men's Baseball** - On Tuesday of last week the team beat Urisnus College 7-5, and are currently in a 3-game series with Chapman. On Friday the team beat the panthers 2-1, but lost on Saturday 9-7. The final game of the series is on Tuesday, at Chapman at 6:00pm.
- b. **Men's Golf** - The team has had some time off competition and has been practicing hard. Their next match is set for March 26th at the West Cup in La Verne.
- c. **Men's Lacrosse** - After losing the last two, the men's lacrosse team is back on track after a huge win against Eastern Connecticut St., 14-8. Their next game is this here at home on Thursday, against Southwestern (TX) at 1:00pm. This will be a huge match for the Poets, make sure to go out and support!
- d. **Men's Tennis** - Men's tennis is facing extremely difficult competition during their preseason matches. With their last two matches against NCAA Top 25 times. They fell 9-0 to Carnegie Melon with their top player ranked #2 in the nation individually. They are currently playing Whitman College which is also ranked in the Top 25. They are looking forward to SCIAC play against some formidable teams.
- e. **Men's Track & Field** - The track and field team competed at the Occidental Distance Carnival this weekend. Julian Sandoval and Ben White finished 2nd and 4th respectively in a field of 58 in the mixed 10,000 meter run. Our men's 4x400 relays placed 6th and 7th among 15 other teams. Freshman, Garrett Silva placed 3rd in the pole vault among 20 other athletes.
- f. **PSALA** - Hosted Doug Everhart from UCI for a workshop regarding hazing and alcohol use. 50 of our student-athletes were present along with 10 administrators from the school and athletic department. It was a very successful event with great information and participation that our PSALA members will be taking back to their respective teams.

n. Poet Student Athlete Leadership Academy Female Rep- *Sen. Olague*

- a. **Women's Golf** will be traveling to Arizona this weekend to participate in the George Fox invitational.
- b. **Women's Lacrosse** fell to Oxy last Wednesday 20-3. They play tonight at 7pm against Beloit.
- c. **Softball** had two doubleheaders this weekend facing Pomona-Pitzer and Western Connecticut State. They lost both to Pomona but came up with two wins against WCS.
- d. **Swim** Brooke Geske will be traveling to Indianapolis to participate in the NCAA Championships next week.

- e. **Women's Tennis** had three games last week falling on Tuesday to Saint Benedict 6-3, defeating El Camino 8-1, and losing to Carnegie Mellon 9-0. They play tomorrow against Lake Forrest.
- f. **Women's Water Polo** had three games last week. They beat Villanova 13-11 in an exciting overtime victory. They faced a tough loss to La Verne falling 10-6, and defeated Chapman 13-10. Tomorrow they continue SCIAC play against Oxy and face Redlands on Thursday.
- g. **Track and Field** had an amazing weekend as they participated in the Occidental Distance Carnival. Jessica Iribe and Julissa Tobias broke records. Iribe placed 36:12.80 to finish as the top women's collegiate runner and the new school record holder for the Poets. Tobias broke her PR and is 3rd all-time. Freshman Caitlyn Greenup broke her PR and sits 2nd all time. SCIAC No. 2 will be on March 31st at home, the first time in 10 years at the college campus!!
- o. Inter-Society Council Male Rep- *Sen. Lira*
 - a. Orthogonians: Drafting Bill that protects Societies' rights during investigations (will be finished after spring break).
 - b. Sen. Segura: Anyone outside a society, please get involved in helping write a bill for protecting societies' rights when under investigation.
 - 1. Student: So is it a bill? Is it binding?
 - i. No, it is not binding.
 - ii. Get societies to sign it.
 - iii. VP Monreal: Goal to take it to Board of Trustees.
 - iv. Sen. Bang-Guerin: very tentative right now. Bullet points.
 - 2. Secretary Martin: Point of Inquiry: on Senate's table or ISC?
 - i. Sen. Bang-Guerin: Present at next Hazing Committee meeting. On ISC as of right now.
 - ii. Sec: Fair share of writing statements recently, I would like to help you out. Stay with societies if it's about societies.
 - 3. Student: Appreciate symbolic power of all active society members signing, but would prefer it written into an organization's constitution.
- p. Inter-Society Council Female Rep- *Sen. Bang-Guerin*
 - a. Thaliens: Academic event in Villalobos Thurs 3/15 5:30: "How politics affects our daily lives"

X. **Committee Reports**

- a. Administrative –*Vice President Monreal*
 - a. Admin met on Wednesday, March 7 at 9am. The purpose of the meeting was to ensure that all of the members understood the function of the committee.

b. The ASWC Constitution states that Administrative Committee is to meet when there is "a Constitutional amendment submitted to the Senate, when there is a question concerning the interpretation of the Constitution, prudent administrative matters, or when the chair deems it necessary."

b. Budget- *Treasurer Conlon*

a. Lavender Grad (\$1700) and BSU (\$2,365.82)

c. Campus Relations- *Director Joachim*

a. N/A

d. Elections- *Secretary Martin*

a. Applications are out for student body rep and residential hall rep on OrgSync. They will close on Sunday, March 25 at 5pm so please spread the word. President Scurr will be reaching out to the RCA's to get them to recruit people for the residential hall rep application.

e. Program Board – *Director Zonni*

a. We had a very successful Battle of the Bands and are excited to be giving one of our peers the opportunity to open for Tory Lanez at WhittFest!

b. On Thursday, we will be having a video game tournament from 7-9:30! An email has been sent out to vote for which games you would love to have for a tournament!

c. REMINDER! WhittFest will be on April 6, 2018 in the Upper Quad! Tickets are FREE for students and one guest! :)

f. Advocacy- *President Scurr*

a. Present: Sen. Gonzalez, Dir. Joachim

b. We researched prices of different products online and are working on a final quote for realizing the menstrual care products project in our community. We also have a tally of where machines currently exist on campus and will conclude that tally by our next general Senate meeting, March 26th.

g. Culinary- *Director Zonni*

a. We will be meeting on Wednesdays at 2 in the Senate Office! We are currently collecting any questions and concerns.

h. Student Feedback- *Sen. Olague*

a. TOWN HALL TOMORROW AT 4PM IN THE CAMPUS COURTYARD! SEE YA THERE!

i. Student Finance – *Treasurer Conlon*

a. We are now moving on to the issues brought up by clubs and organizations in dealing with Bon Appetit. Some clubs say that they are being charged for certain items that other clubs are not. We are looking forward to meeting with representative from Bon Appetit.

j. Environmental-*Rep. Bertelsen*

- a. So some advancements with some of the issues that I have been taking on.
- b. Jonathan Estrella reached out to Waxie, the corporation that owns BigBelly, for a modern waste treatment unit... Facilities made a second request for a single unit as well as a quote for a new food waste compactor... And that he will add it to the 'Capital Expense Project'
- c. He mentioned the importance of reaching out to an alumnus that might want to make a gift towards this project, so there are more new units for garbage cans.
- d. Also, a PowerPoint presentation on the mural wall at the Health and Wellness Center.

XI. First Readings

a. HIC Luau

- a. Treasurer Conlon: Came in earlier, asking what to do to get most possible money.
- b. Student: now \$3,300
- c. Went well last year, increased attendance.
- d. Included meal vouchers last year (\$1,141.88)
- e. Wanted in May, for May Day is Lei Day
- f. Entertainment, \$2500
- g. Food, displaced dinner, \$1,200.00
 - 1. Lau Lau (tea leaf wrapped around pork and fish)
 - 2. Kalua Pig and cabbage
 - 3. Chicken long rice

h. Q&A

- 1. Sen. Gonzalez: POI, tshirts for fundraising! Form open through email sent today.
- 2. Sen. Bang-Guerin: thank you for pro-activeness. What is meat and non-meat?
- 3. Sen. Bang-Guerin: do you have exact number from previous receipt?
 - i. Have amount, was more than this.
- 4. Sen. Delgado: were all 50 commuter vouchers used?
 - i. Do not think all were used. Is on Saturday, want to keep an option open.
- 5. Sen. Lowinger: Open to decreasing commuter voucher amount?
 - i. Yes, considering lowering to 25 vouchers.
- 6. Sen. Bang-Guerin: Have new number next time?
 - i. Yes, hope to meet with Bon Appetit.
- 7. Sen. Gonzalez: How will printing be used?
 - i. Fliers, almost out of money from personal.

8. Sen. Gonzalez: Commend for working so hard, especially Taylor.
Came to Budget committee, asked questions.

XII. Daily Calendar Considerations

- a. ASA Asian Night
 - a. Tabled \$500 for stage rental. Have new concrete number.
 - b. \$485 for stage, steps, astroturf, and delivery fee included.
 - c. Sen. Gonzalez moves to fund line item in \$485
 1. Sen. Trout seconded.
 2. Sen. Merino calls the question
 3. Unanimous.

XIII. Miscellaneous Business

- a. Gender Equity Center – Secretary Martin
 - a. Have an idea of what students want. Work through ranks of administration. Adding letter to Senate binders.
 - b. Community initiative instead of student initiative desired.
 - c. Read letter. First draft.
 - d. Please take back to clubs and orgs. Weekly update after this. Take to different members of administration.
 - e. Can see administration say put this in the corner of the OEI.
 - f. Sen. Reeder: You're great. Thank you.
 - g. Student: Could you repeat something you said? Did you say you spoke with administrators and they said you could have a corner?
 1. Sec. Martin: No, just imagined that is something that might be said.
 2. How will administrators be involved? Professor Angevine?
 3. Sec. Martin: Professor Angevine is very involved. Take this to Faculty Chari Kaufman later.
- b. Saturday's Incident
 - a. Sen. Bang-Guerin: It did not catch fire (he used a little blow torch) because he ran and was caught. He posted two days prior. He was also at Shannon Center.
 - b. Sen. Reeder: read some tweets. Pissuoff2 is the account handle.
 - c. Sec. Martin: please do not engage with this account. This is why the account was created.
 - d. Sen. Bang-Guerin: does not seem a stable individual. Give least traction as possible.
- c. Mural PowerPoint – Rep. Bertelsen
 - a. Student Counseling Center wall mural

- b. What is this? A health and rejuvenation project. Reach out to student clubs on campus, raise money for local artist. Create an atmosphere of reflection and pause.
- c. Untapped potential with exterior of building (shown pictures from today)
- d. Artist speaking on colorful aspect, want to attract students. LA blend into Uptown Whittier painting on wall surrounding Counseling Center.
- e. Social stigma toward mental health. Want to fight this and encourage student interactions over this.
- f. Idea of staying and healing not fully recognized. Get facilities to power wash, too.
- g. Colors are good.
- h. Spoke with Rebecca Romberger: represent all clubs, orgs, societies, sports teams, students, too! Ignite strong sense of community.
- i. Dennis McGonagle, Local Artist: worked on Wardman, City Hall, Middle schools, and Whittier Museum.
 - 1. Student: he's a long time resident. Very onboard with doing this. Also an alumni.
- j. How much will it cost?
 - 1. Intricate: \$20/sqft ; Moderate: \$10/sqft
 - 2. SJC \$50, WCWC \$50
- k. Plan for late April/early May, possibly summer. We will still be around and carry on the work.
- l. Senators
 - 1. Sen. Segura: studies show this could work.
 - 2. Sec. Martin: good for reserve budget. Athenians did phonathan, gathering money.
- a. Student: system is down for the semester.
 - 3. Sen. Gonzalez: Plan to include furniture?
- a. Yes, new benches, cushion. Relocate current items.
 - 4. Sen. Merino: Is there a quote for how much you want to raise?
- a. Estimated \$3000. Maybe not cover all walls.
 - 5. Sen. Merino: Media Council would probably be willing to fund this. Come after Spring Break.

XIV. Announcements

- a. Sen. Lowinger: please come watch everyone race.
- b. Dir. Zonni: deadline March 23rd for President's Reception on April 8th.
- c. Sen. Bang-Guerin: submit digital stories for Greenleaf Slam.

XV. Adjournment

- a. Sen. Segura motions to adjourn the meeting.
- b. Sen. Bang-Guerin seconds the motion with no objections.

c. Meeting adjourned at 9:32 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Bryceton Scurr, *President of the ASWC*