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Meeting Minutes for October 9th, 2017

I. Meeting is called to order at 7:03pm

II. Moment of Silence/Inspirational quote:

“The beginning is always today” –Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley

Read by Sen. Delgado

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 Gonzalez

IV. Roll Call-Secretary Scurr

a. **Present:** President Scurr, Vice President Monreal, Treasurer Conlon, Director Zonni, Director Wells, Representative Bertelsen, Senator Trout, Senator Gelinas, Senator Delgado, Senator Joachim, Senator Hidalgo, Senator Lowinger, Senator Gonzalez, Senator Segura, Senator Britton, Senator Merino, Senator Johnson, Senator Olague, Senator Bang-Guerin

b. **Absent excused:** Senator Grossman, Senator Sternberg

c. **Unexcused:**

V. Minutes Amendment/Approval

a. **Approved by Sen. Hidalgo**

b. **Seconded by Sen. Merino**

VI. Public Voice

a. **Troy Chavez-Candidate for Whittier School Board**

a. Graduated last year and is seeking the support of the ASWC Senate for his election

b. Check out his Facebook page for more details!

VII. President’s Message- President Scurr

a. Dean Hartman wants to remind everyone of the hurricane relief meeting tomorrow in the Dean of Students Office on Tuesday 10th from 7:30-9:00pm

- a. Will be discussing alternative break service trips, charity/benefit festival, and donations
- b. Remind all senators that the Whittier Quaker traditional moment of silence is one of reflection. I would like you all to remember this tradition when speaking in meetings. Listen to each other as the Quakers did.
- c. No one came to Administrative Committee to discuss the final changes for the constitution. I would like to remind you all that you have three unexcused absences. Please keep in mind that the work that we do in meetings is extremely important and will shorten these meetings, and without your participation will fall apart.

VIII. Treasurer's Report- Treasurer Conlon

- a. General Fund Balance:
- b. Operational Account Balance:
- c. Reserve Account Balance:
- d. Allocated thus far:
- e. First readings:
- f. Daily Calendar Considerations:

IX. Constituent Reports

- a. Academic Affairs Chair – *Sen. Trout*
 - a. I met with Dean Perez today (2:15pm) to talk about growing my constituency with a new bill that will consist of individual student councils. I will be meeting with Dean Good to finalize the structure of some of the details of the bill. Stay tuned!
 - b. There have been multiple reports of school email mishaps. Some students have found that when they try to log into their school emails that they will be logged into a different student's account. My constituents are worried about privacy. I will be looking into this more this week.
- b. First Year Class Council- *Sen. Gelinis*
 - a. First year class council met and we discussed some ideas for the \$750 that we have.
 - b. We also discussed ideas for fundraising and for other events throughout the year. I talked with a lot of other first-year students and got their feedback about our ideas. This week was mostly brainstorming but we haven't put anything down in writing yet.
- c. Environmental Representative Advocate- *Rep. Bertelsen*
 - a. I have been talking to the wellness center
- d. Commuter Representative - *Sen. Delgado*
 - a. I met with Jose Padilla and campus safety regarding the current parking slot numbers as well as their current practice of closing off Earlham drive on the weekends for the Whittier Christian high-school football games.

They will not be restructuring the way they block it off. But, they are willing to reinstate the club cars to and from. They will also be breaking down the barrier at half time depending on whether or not the projected number of cars show up. As for the first meeting topic, he asked that we please first inquire about the information we are looking for with Joel Perez and then come back to him if any further question arise.

- b. I'm excited for the meeting Debbie Allison and I will be having tomorrow at 10 am with the Metro Bus company going over the contract to bring our students a 45% off discount on the metro tap card.
- e. Residential Hall Representative – *Sen. Yitayew*
 - a. I have planned to meet with RAs by the end of the week, in these meetings I plan on discussing any issues facing any residential halls. A recent issue that was resolved was a fire alarm that has been bothering students of Harris C, I feel that resolving small issues like this will show that senate cares about the living conditions of our students.
- f. Student Body Representative - *Sen. Hidalgo*
 - a. keeping the space clean, I've had reports of blood being on the walls of bathroom stalls, an toilet paper all over the floor. Keep the space clean, and be considerate of fellow students.
 - b. Student feedback: the committee will be meeting with Joel Wednesday at 3. Jesus will talk about his meeting with camp
- g. Student Body Representative - *Sen. Grossman*
 - a. Absent, excused
- h. Student Body Representative – *Sen. Lowinger*
 - a. I have been in communication with Lead PSALA members to discuss the logistics of incentivizing attendance of sporting events. I have also collaborated with other constituents to create social media accounts (@thepoetpit) to promote various school events, athletic or otherwise, and to boost school pride.
- i. Student Body Representative - *Sen. Joachim*
 - a. Contacted Dean Perez in order to form a campus wide survey to determine how easily stuents feel they are able to voice their concerns on campus. As a result, I will be bringing this idea to Advocacy Committee in order to schedule a time with the EMS to reserve a spot in front of the CI to host a survey.
- j. Diversity Council Representative - *Sen. Gonzalez*
 - a. Over the weekend Halo Halo was part of the planning meeting and info session for the 38th Annual Friendship Games. 7 people from Whittier attended and there were 20 other schools in attendance. Friendship Games will be in two weeks on October 28th. The Friendship Games is a huge

event, typically there are over 6,000 students in attendance every year with over 40 different Southern California universities and colleges represented. The Friendship Games are for Filipino organizations but any person that identifies as Filipino or is even affiliated with the culture is welcome to join. Celebrate Spirit, Pride, Unity and Friendship. If students would like more information on how they can get involved, they can contact abalocat@poets.whittier.edu or halohalo@poets.whittier.edu.

1. Their next meeting will be this Wednesday at 4:30pm in BallLLC.
 - b. The Office of Equity and Inclusion will be hosting the LGBTQIA+ Ally Training this Wednesday, October 11th from 3-5pm in the LEAP Conference Room. It is open to all students, faculty and staff. Learn how to become an ally to members of the LGBTQIA+ community and make this campus more inclusive and safe for all.
 - c. Diversity Council's next general meeting will be tomorrow at 5:30pm in the Office of Equity and Inclusion.
- k. Inter-Club Council Representative - *Sen. Britton***
- a. Student advocacy meeting. Set up meeting with disability services to discuss railing
 - b. Budget committee meeting discussed amendments to constitution and to the clarity and efficiency bill
 1. So far have received sentiments of support
- l. Social Justice Coalition Representative - *Sen. Segura***
- a. Circle K will be requesting money for a social and blanket making event at tonight's meeting.
 - b. Latinos of Tomorrow will be tabling at George Washington Prep High School on Wednesday October 18th.
 - c. The next Social Justice Coalition meeting is scheduled for October 23rd.
- m. Media Council Representative - *Sen. Merino***
- a. **VPS:** Applying for Spanish Film Festival, Working on collaboration with CEC
 - b. **QCTV:** Wednesday Wellness Tips shot with VPS
 - c. **WCSN:** 2 soccer broadcast over weekend, flypack training for staff, broadcasts tonight (Soccer) and 3 this weekend (football, Waterpolo, Soccer)
 - d. **QC:** Covered Vegas incident, covering Trump Protest at the Shannon Center, figuring fund
 - e. **Media Council:** Looking into a Media Council credit card
- n. Poet Student Athlete Leadership Academy Male Rep- *Sen. Johnson***
- a. Men's football lost this past weekend at Chapman, next game at home this Saturday at 1pm vs. Pomona Pitzer

- b. Men's soccer lost a close game to Occidental, they have a bye on Wednesday and play again on Saturday at home vs. Chapman
 - c. Men's Water Polo played in a tournament this past weekend and went 2-2.
- o. Poet Student Athlete Leadership Academy Female Rep- *Sen. Olague*
 - a. Women's Golf concluded their fall season against Chapman. Kajal Vitha placed 2nd, Ciara Clark placed 4th, and Kainani Ho placed 7th.
 - b. Women's Soccer lost to Occidental this Saturday and are currently playing Cal Lutheran tonight.
 - c. Women's Volleyball played in the Cal Lu tournament this weekend. They won 3 games and lost one.
- p. Inter-Society Council Male Rep- *Sen. Sternberg*
 - a. Absent, excused
- q. Inter-Society Council Female Rep- *Sen. Bang-Guerin*
 - a. Franklins: Friday Oct 13 Open House at Brickhouse Pizza. Free Pizza and back rubs
 - b. Ionians: Blaze Pizza Fundraiser next Friday Oct 20: 5-9PM
 - c. Metaphonians: Open house Oct 16 at the Garrett house 6PM
 - d. Palmers: Open House 10/10 from 6-8PM
 - e. Sachsens: Open House Wed Oct 11, StoJo courtyard, Campfire, S'mores, Weenies, Everyone but Colin Greenup allowed to come
 - a. Thaliens: Open House on Oct 12 at 6:29 PM at the Garrett House

X. Committee Reports

- a. Administrative – *Vice President Monreal*
 - a. Wednesdays at 1:30 in the Senate Office
- b. Budget- *Treasurer Conlon*
 - a. Fridays at noon in the Senate Office
 - b. Budget committee is done with its bill and is looking forward to hopefully getting it passed tonight
- c. Campus Relations- *Director Wells*
 - a. We have 3 new Senators and moved our meeting time to Friday's at 1:30pm.
- d. Elections- *Secretary Martin*
 - a. Elections is cancelled this week
 - b. We will be back next week to take a look at the Election Code at 3:30 on Tuesdays
- e. Program Board – *Director Zonni*
 - a. Met with Program Board E-Board
 - b. Met with Program Board Chairs at our Weekly Tuesday Meeting at 5
 - c. Reviewing applications for Program Board Committee Chair Positions
 - d. Co-chaired the Weekly Culinary Committee Meeting on Friday at 9:30

- e. Getting ready to bring Program Board's HallowEek to campus this week for all to enjoy (October 11-12, 2017)
- f. Planning and finalizing Program Board's Whittier Weekend Events
- f. Advocacy- *President Scurr*
 - a. Wednesday at 4:30pm in the Senate Office
 - b. Meeting with Disabilities Services on Wednesday about the railing
- g. Culinary- *Director Wells*
 - a. Tabling this week
 - b. Student Dietary Needs Survey!
 - c. Outside CI on Wednesday 11:00am-2:00pm
 - d. Designing a POSTER!
 - e. We want MORE participation.
- h. Student Feedback- *Sen. Olague and Sen. Hidalgo*
 - a. Reached out to Dean Perez to ask about parking and set a meeting with him on Wednesday at 3pm
- i. Student Finance – *Tres. Conlon*
 - a. Have not had great participation, please let constituents know that we are available for any student financial needs!

XI. First Readings

- a. **Star Party**, *Physics Club*
 - a. Requesting \$2400 for transportation, campsite, van rental and gas, food, replacing tents and sleeping bags
 - b. *Sen. Britton*: Have you asked for any funding?
 - 1. Yes, the Physics Department cannot afford to give us money because they now have to pay for their tutors.
 - c. *Sen. Johnson*: How long is it and how many students?
 - 1. 50 students and one overnight trip
- b. **Recruitment funds**, *Asian Student Association*
 - a. Requesting \$150 for food to have a cook at a beach cookout
 - b. *Sen. Britton*: How is “recruitment funds” used?
 - 1. *Tres. Conlon*: It depends on what the line item is that is requested on OrgSync. Whatever that states is the only thing that they can spend the money allocated on.
 - c. *Sen. Johnson*: How many members do you have?
 - 1. We had 15 members last year, and about 20 new recruits
- c. **BSU Cookout**, *Black Student Union*
 - a. Requesting \$3100 for food, recommended is \$1300 based \$10 per person per the funding code

b. We are asking for more because food ran out within 25-30 minutes last year. We want it to be authentic, so this food is expensive. We had 130 people attend last year. Our attendance increases every year.

c. *Sen. Segura*: Are people going for seconds?

1. Yes. Seconds and thirds.

d. *Sen. Johnson*: What day is it?

1. October 28th 4pm-7pm

e. *Sen. Gonzalez*: Keep in mind these cookouts are the most attended cultural event. They do a great job every year.

f. *Sen. Olague*: Is this replacing a meal at the CI?

1. No, it is still open.

g. *Sen. Bertelsen*: Will off-campus students be able to participate?

1. Yes, food is for everyone.

d. BSU Hair Symposium, *Black Student Union*

a. Requesting \$700 for 60 expected participants, recommended is \$600

b. Have a goal to educate others on black hair and culture and bring needed services to the campus

c. We will be playing “Good Hair” and use to talk about cultural appropriation

d. We will be having Professor Delfin speak on ethnography. Siobhan Skerrit will also be speaking.

e. The money will be paying the stylists and barbers. They are coming from Oceanside and Pasadena and will not be asking for money to cover travel

f. All styles will be deeply discounted or free! (compare \$24 to \$150)

g. @braidsbyastou and @760natural on Instagram are the stylists, barber’s info to come

h. *Sen. Olague*: Is your stylist fee a set fee or by appointment?

1. It covers a hair appointment in general overall. We were told that \$1000 was the most that we could ask for and knew that that would cover 10 appointments per stylists. The stylists allowed more than that and were great to work with and just want to help.

e. Body Positivity Campaign!, *VIP*

a. Requesting \$300 for chocolate covered strawberries and \$500 for coffee and tea

b. We want to host a tabling event in front of the SLC and the CI to have an informative event on eating disorders. We will be promoting body positivity and giving tips for healthy eating, how to help a friend at risk, and signs of eating disorders.

c. On Tuesday it is National Body Positivity Day so we would like to have an anti-body shaming event. Expect 200+ students.

- d. *Sen. Britton*: How much do the chocolate strawberries cost?
 - 1. \$1.75 per strawberry, Bon Appetit is expensive
- e. *Sen. Bertelsen*: What will your marketing look like?
 - 1. Mostly social media, word of mouth, and email
- f. *Sen. Lowinger*: I attended the talk last year with Katie Wilcox on body positivity. It was an amazing event that was very empowering for the entire audience.

XII. Daily Calendar Considerations

a. PSALA T-Shirt Giveaway, PSALA

- a. Asking for \$3000 for T-Shirts
- b. Decided on 100 shirts per 5 fall shirts at \$6 per shirt from Sargeant's
- c. Last year women's soccer gave out 100 shirts but had 195 people in attendance. Pac the Gac got 1500 attendees as well.
- d. We had the teams decide when their shirt giveaways will be.
- e. We will advertise our social media handle on the shirt to help get our membership out there and bridge the gap between all students on campus and create community.
- f. @wc_leadership is our social media for instagram and they have been working really hard to get those platforms going. @thepoetpit is for Twitter.
- g. Want to work with WCSportsNetwork and the QC to advertise
- h. Most teams also have their own social media accounts
- i. *Rep. Bertelsen*: Would you consider in the future considering a giveaway that would not be so resource-intensive? T-shirts use a lot of water in their making.
 - 1. Yes, we will consider that in the future, and I appreciate that perspective.
- j. *Sen. Lowinger*: Would you consider making the T-shirt more Whittier College than Whittier Athletics? Some students may not want to be affiliated with athletics.
 - 1. Yes, we did consider that. We were looking at old logos as well to catch students' eye with something they may have not seen yet also.
- k. *Sen. Johnson*: I move to fund this in the requested amount.
 - 1. Seconded by Sen. Olague
- l. *Sen. Merino*: I call the question.
 - 1. With a vote of 10-0-4 this event is funded in the requested amount of \$3000

b. Math Club Meetings, Math Club

- a. Requesting \$150 for food and lecture

b. *Sen. Britton*: I wanted to reiterate that they had representatives come to me to better prepare for this event. They have my full support for funding.

c. *Sen. Britton*: I move to fund the event in the requested amount

1. *Sen. Merino*: I second

d. *Sen. Johnson*: I call the question

1. *Sen. Segura*: I second

e. Voted unanimously for \$150

XIII. Miscellaneous Business

a. C&E Funding Bill, *Tres. Conlon*

a. Third reading, could potentially vote on it tonight

b. Made the changes to include changes to the Constitution per recommendations of Secretary Martin

c. *Sen. Britton*: I move to approve the bill.

1. Seconded by *Sen. Merino*

d. *Sen. Gonzalez*: I call the question

1. Voted unanimously, passes

XIV. Announcements

a. *Sen. Olague*: Women's soccer is currently tied 1-1 with 18 minutes left!

b. *Pres. Scurr*: Disaster relief event will be tomorrow Tuesday at 7:30-9pm

c. *Sen. Segura*: Follow @WCforEquity on instagram and twitter

XV. Adjournment

a. *Sen. Trout* motions to adjourn the meeting.

b. *Sen. Olague* seconds the motion with no objections.

c. Meeting adjourned at 8:35PM

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