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Meeting Minutes for Monday, April 30th 2018

- I. **Meeting is called to order at 7:11 PM**
- II. **Moment of Silence/Inspirational quote read by Sen. Segura**
- III. **Mission Statement**
 - a. **Meeting Minutes for Monday, April 30th 2018**

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. Johnson
- IV. **Roll Call-President Scurr**
 - a. **Present:** President Scurr, VP Monreal, Treasurer Conlon, Director Zonni, Dir. Joachim, Rep. Bertelsen, Sen. Trout, Sen. Barrientos, Sen. Delgado, Sen. Lowinger, Sen. Reeder, Sen. Grossman, Sen. Gonzalez, Sen. Hills, Sen. Segura, Sen. Merino, Sen. Johnson, Sen. Olague, Sen. Lira, Sen. Bang-Guerin
 - b. **Absent excused:** N/A
 - c. **Unexcused:** N/A
- V. **Minutes Amendment/Approval**
 - a. **Approved by Sen. Hills**
 - b. **Seconded by Sen. Lowinger**
- VI. **Public Voice**
 - a. **Member of the public, Spencer VanDerStarren**
 - a. Irritated with how many emails we receive daily because it stifles the voice of clubs and student organizations
 - b. Whittfest was a gross misuse of funds and I hope that it doesn't reoccur
 1. Thank you for your concern. There were representatives here two meetings ago from Whittfest. They will be hosting forums to receive feedback. Oddly enough, you should check your email for that information. –*Sen. Johnson*
 - b. **Member of the public, Aiden Tol**
 - a. Why wasn't the Miss Margo Latif award given at Honors Convocation this year?
 1. It will be awarded at the Student Life Awards this Friday! –
Pres. Scurr
- VII. **President's Message- President Scurr**
 - a. Take your selfies, take your time, this here is our last Spring 2018 ASWC Senate Meeting. We have spent our time efficiently this semester, we have had our lows, we have had our highs. We have one last meeting to see through before passing the torch to next year's ASWC Senate. Thank you everyone for coming out to witness these events. It has been a pleasure being your Student Body President. I am grateful for having had the opportunity

and for all the people who helped along the way. It's been a wild ride, a beautiful year. Keep doing great things. Go Poets.

- I. Treasurer's Report- Treasurer Conlon**
 - a. General Fund Balance: \$245.80
 - b. Operational Account Balance: \$4544.05
 - c. Reserve Account Balance: \$3165.82
 - d. Allocated thus far: \$77797.40
 - e. First readings: \$0.00
 - f. Daily Calendar Considerations: \$0.00
- II. Constituent Reports**
 - a. Academic Affairs Chair – *Sen. Trout*
 - a. N/A
 - b. First Year Class Council - *Sen. Barrientos*
 - a. Nothing to report.
 - c. Commuter Representative - *Sen. Delgado*
 - a. **CSA Plan of Action Meeting:** I met with Emily Olague at the Student Feedback Committee last week to discuss the future of the CSA. We sat down and typed up a plan of action listing the next steps between now and next semester to ensure that we are able to hit the ground running with the club.
 - b. **Transition Workshop (4/30):** One of the things on the list of the plan of action was that I attend the Transition Workshop and figure out the logistics behind getting the CSA up and running as an official club. Xio Pan confirmed that since it is not technically an active club anymore, I along with a few club members would have to go before the ICC at the start of the semester to get reapproved. Regardless, I will be filling out the necessary paperwork to have it re-registered on OrgSync.
 - d. Residential Hall Representative – N/A
 - a. N/A
 - e. Student Body Representative - *Sen. Reeder*
 - a. There are some rumors that we are cancelling our contract with Bon Appetit?
 1. That is not true. We are not cancelling this contract. –*Dean Perez*
 - f. Student Body Representative - *Sen. Grossman*
 - a. Nothing to report.
 - g. Student Body Representative – N/A
 - a. N/A
 - h. Student Body Representative - *Sen. Lowinger*
 - a. Ms. Alcaraz and I have been playing email-tag and are still trying to find a time to discuss creating another International Food Day for the spring semester. She is very supportive of this idea and I don't think it will be too difficult to organize this event!
 - b. I am currently working with the Sustainability Club on campus to ban plastic straws in the CI. We have received lots of support from the

student body, and from the General Manager of Whittier's Bon Appetite branch.

- c. The Director of Facilities and I will be continuing the dialogue about Whittier's recycling program into the summer. In addition, I will keep constituents updated on the status of the restroom revitalization project in the residence halls.
- i. Diversity Council Representative - *Sen. Gonzalez*
 - a. Our last general meeting of the semester is tomorrow at 5:30pm in the OEI.
 - b. Diversity Council Senior Recognition is May 6th at 2pm in Villalobos. Professor Teresa Delfin will be our keynote speaker.
 - c. Diversity Council still has one executive cabinet position open, that is our internal chair, our election is being held tomorrow during our general meeting tomorrow and the application is due tomorrow at noon.
- a. Inter-Club Council Representative - *Sen. Hills*
 - d. ICC will be meeting this Wednesday
- b. Social Justice Coalition Representative - *Sen. Segura*
 - e. The SJC Executive Board '18/'19 application/candidate submission form is complete and live on OrgSync. If you'd or anyone you know would like to run to be part of the SJC Executive Board next year, please fill out [this form](#). **This form will close on Thursday, May 3rd at 7:00 pm.**
 - f. The SJC Executive Board Elections will be on Friday, May 4th from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm live on OrgSync and we will announce the new Executive Board on Friday, May 4th at 5:00 pm.
 - g. Only One Week Away! **Thursday, May 3rd at 7pm in the Shannon Center.**

WHEN THEY CALL YOU A TERRORIST: A BLACK LIVES MATTER MEMOIR

PATRISSA KHAN-CULLORS

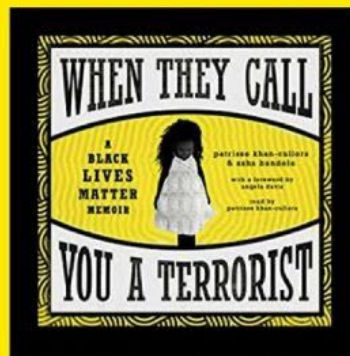


BLACK LIVES MATTER

An artist, organizer, queer activist, freedom fighter from LA and co-founder of the Black Lives Matter movement.

GUEST SPEAKER BOOK SIGNING

**THURSDAY, MAY 3RD
RUTH B. SHANNON CENTER
STARTS AT 7 PM**



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- a. Media Council Representative - *Sen. Merino*
 - i. N/A
- b. Poet Student Athlete Leadership Academy Male Rep- *Sen. Johnson*
 - a. **Men's Baseball** - The men's baseball team finished out the season with a three-game series against La Verne. They lost all three games, and as a result, unfortunately missed a spot in post season play. They finished their 2017-2018 season with an overall record of 24-16, and a conference record of 11-13. Congrats on all the hard work boys!
 - b. **Men's Lacrosse** - The Poet lacrosse team traveled to Colorado this weekend to play the last two games of their season. They lost a close

game on Saturday to Colorado College 14-10, but came up with a HUGE win beating Johnson & Wales 27-1 earlier this afternoon. They finish their season with a 5-7 record and will look forward to working hard in the off season for next year.

- c. **Men's Track and Field** - The men's track and field team finished in 5th place this weekend at the SCIAC Championships. Notable performances came from Ray Ray Roberson and Michael Badillo finishing 5th and 8th in the 400m dash, Ben White and Julian Sandoval placed 5th and 14th in the 5000m run as well as 2nd and 10th in the 10,000m run, Hakim Williams and Craig Rogers finished finished 3rd and 4th in the 110m hurdles, Nati Yitayew finished 7th in the 400m hurdles, Kamron Perry was the sole poet competitor in the daunting 3000m steeplechase finishing 16th, the 4x400 relay finished on the podium in 3rd, Miguel Redmond and Garrett Silva finished 2nd and 3rd in the pole vault. Congrats to all of our track and field athletes on a monumental season!
- a. **Poet Student Athlete Leadership Academy Female Rep- *Sen. Olague***
 - a. Women's Polo ends their season with a loss to Pomona-Pitzer in the post season tournament. However, Anastasia Gonzalez earned a spot in 1st team SCIACS totaling 37 goals and 6 assists as well as eight drawn exclusions and 35 steals. Lindsay Shoaff earned a spot on 2nd team SCIAC scoring with 39 goals and seven assists. She also registered two drawn exclusions and 23 steals.
 - b. Women's Track and Field finished 7th place in the SCIAC Championships. The next meet will be May 12 at the Occidental Invitational.
 - c. Junior Lexi Meanor of Women's Lacrosse landed a spot on the 2nd Team all SCIACs. She scored 38 goals with four assists. She was 10-for-17 on free-position attempts and registered 34 groundballs, a team high 61 draw controls, and a team high 21 caused turnovers. Senior Melanie Rizzotti earned a spot on the All SCIACs Sportsmanship team. She was a prominent defensive player with 18 caused turnovers and 29 groundballs.
 - d. Softball played two double headers falling to La Verne on Friday, but sweeping Oxy on Saturday for their senior day! They will be playing in the SCIAC Tournament on Friday against Pomona-Pitzer!
 - e. Women's Golf finished in 3rd place in the SCIAC Championships this past week. Kajal Vitha finished in 8th place out of the 44 members participating.
- a. **Inter-Society Council Male Rep- *Sen. Lira***
 - i. Lancers: We have an academic event coming up this Friday, the 27th, from 4:30-5:15 at the Dezember house. It's an informative event on credit. (Keep eye out for banner!)
- b. **Inter-Society Council Female Rep- *Sen. Bang-Guerin***
 - a. Thaliens: April Showers still going: have a chance to win \$40 this week!

I. **Committee Reports**

- a. Administrative –*Vice President Monreal*

- a. Nothing new to report
- b. Budget- *Treasurer Conlon*
 - a. We funded \$500 for the keynote speaker for BSU Graduation
 - b. FCC funded \$500 for finals extended hour in the library
 - c. We allocated \$1000 to the mural project that Rep. Bertelsen has been working on for updating the Counseling Center.
- c. Campus Relations- *Director Joachim*
 - a. We organized and took inventory of the closet.
 - b. I'm excited to see Grace Reeder in this position next year.
- d. Elections- *Secretary Martin*
 - a. I know this was already reported last week but I'm so proud I'm going to say it again: We had more than triple the turnout this year as last Spring's elections. I'm really happy with these numbers because my goal was to have better engagement with our poet community. Thank you to all of you that voted and participated, and thank you to senators or anyone that helped get the word out. It's been a great year.
- e. Program Board – *Director Zonni*
 - a. We are having our final Program Board Meeting tomorrow at 5 in the LEAP Office, and will be welcoming next years chairs. Thank you to all those who applied!
 - b. We are having a Coffee Break event on Thursday, May 3, outside of the spot from 6:30-8:30! There will be live music from students, coffee, games, coloring to help destress, and a great time with friends before we head into finals and summer! See you there!
- a. Advocacy- *President Scurr*
 - a. Present: Director Joachim, Senator Gonzalez
 - b. Have met with Facilities, whom agreed to install machines and refill when ordered products come in.
 - c. Made some small changes to bill. Third and final reading tonight!
- a. Culinary- *Director Zonni*
 - a. I will be composing all of the notes from our meetings to send one last follow up to the CI Management.
- b. Student Feedback- *Sen. Olague*
 - a. Created a plan for bringing back the CSA next year
- c. Student Finance – *Treasurer Conlon*
 - a. Nothing to report.
- d. Environmental-*Rep. Bertelsen*
 - c. Nothing to report.

II. 5 Minute Recess

III. First Readings

IV. Daily Calendar Considerations

V. Miscellaneous Business

- a. Menstrual Care Initiative Bills- *Pres. Scurr*
 - a. Third reading for this bill coming from Advocacy Committee
 - b. It was agreed that this would begin next semester, as early as this summer

–*Pres. Scurr*

- c. Have we decided in which order restrooms will get these implemented? –
Sen. Hills
1. Yes, we will first use the machines that have coin operation and remove the coin operation part. Then we will move into the higher traffic areas such as the Campus Center. –*Dir. Joachim*
- d. Would the 3.5% be just to cover the cost of the products, not the dispensers themselves? –*Sen. Johnson*
1. Yes. –*Dir. Joachim*
- e. The “up to 3.5%” is only a recommendation, is that correct? The table would decide the amount every year? –*Sen. Reeder*
1. Yes, originally we will start with a stockpile and need to spend less in the beginning and just spend money when needed because these products expire. –*Pres. Scurr*
- f. Just for clarification, the majority of funds for this is coming from student body funds, is that correct? –*Sen. Bang-Guerin*
1. Yes, the biggest cost for Senate will be that bulk payment for initial products. We will not be paying for the conversion of the coin-operated machines.
- g. I move to pass the Menstrual Care Initiative- *Sen. Johnson*
- h. I second. *Sen. Trout*
- i. I call the question. –*Sen. Segura*
- j. It is voted unanimously.
- b. Gender Equity Center-*Sec. Martin***
- a. The task force will include: Grace Reeder, Yvan Monreal, Kole Joachim, Nick Segura, Sam Johnson, Emily Olague, Detrick Manning and any students that are interested!
 - b. I will be compiling all of the steps that I have taken
- c. Exception Funding for Research- *Sen. Trout***
- a. I find it really concerning that we just spent millions of dollars on the Science and Learning Center and tell students to come for the research
 - b. Where does exception-funding come from and where is it going? –
Member of the Public, Taylor Scriber
 1. It comes from the college and multiple departments request funding. The priority is to hire work-study students. We are looking again at how it is used, and restrictions have been put in place to limit it. We have found that faculty pads their own budget and we are asking them not to do that.
 2. There needs to be a level of transparency from the faculty side. –
Taylor
 - c. I share the concerns of Secretary Martin and Taylor.
 - d. How large is the committee that designates exception funding? –*Sen. Johnson*
 1. There is not a student on the committee. We are going to rework the committee and could consider that. There are seven members including members of HR, CAAS, and the Dean Fritz.

- e. It breaks my heart that I'm a senior and can't stick around next year to see more change. I came to Whittier for the research opportunities, for the small community. I started with four or five members on my research team and now I'm lucky if we have two or three. –*Sen. Trout*
- f. Every year the budget for exception funding has been cut. This year because it was cut again there were issues with the budget so work was cut about a month short. Students lost money because of that. Calling and asking for money is a difficult job, and we keep the Whittier funding going at Advancement. –*Sen. Johnson*
- g. I am a tour guide and the first thing that I talk about in the SLC is that ease of research opportunities. Finding this out makes me feel like I am being misleading when I give this information. –*Sen. Johnson*
- h. There has been no decision made, it is simply a review. There is concern that in some cases we are using exception funding which is all Whittier money, your tuition money. We are looking into which positions should be work study positions. There is no intention to cut out the research opportunities. –*President Herzberger*
- i. When you say that the budget was cut, are you referring to the actual budget? From my understanding it is the supervisor's job to properly allocate and request a budget, so which budget is it: the one that is requested by supervisors or the actual budget that the school has? –*Member of the Public, Destinee*
- j. We have not allocated for 2018-2019, which is decided in August. Every department can request from this one budget. We can't keep adding to the budget because our priority is to add to faculty. We also have to consider the rise in minimum wage. –*Dean Perez*
- k. Some departments go over budget. They have been told they don't have more money, so they did not manage their budget. –*President Herzberger*
- l. From my understanding, we have been trying to get a student representative on this committee since I was a first-year. Especially since you said that these decisions are made with our tuition dollars, students' dollars, and they are not weighing in on these decisions and that is really very concerning. I would strongly suggest that you seriously reconsider this. –*Sec. Martin*

VI. Announcements

- a. No announcements

VII. Adjournment

- a. Sen. Reeder motions to adjourn the meeting.
- b. Sec. Martin objects in order for the table to say thank you's and goodbyes
- c. Sen. Reeder motions to adjourn the meeting
- d. Sen. Gonzalez seconds the motion with no objections.
- e. Meeting adjourned at 8:47 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Hannah Martin, *Secretary of the ASWC 2018*