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SENATE AGENDA

**December 3, 2018**

INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE:

“The task of the government is not only to pour honey into a cup, but sometimes to give bitter medicine...”

**-Vladimir Putin**

Read By Director Reeder

ASWC SENATE MISSION STATEMENT:

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 humility.

**I. Call to Order / Moment of Silence**

7:07 pm

**II. Mission Statement**

Read by Treasurer Delgado

**III. Approval of Secretary Nomination**

Meeting is close at 7:09 pm to vote on the approval of the Secretary nomination

Meeting has reopened at 7:30 pm

Destinee Moya has been appointed as Secretary

**IV. Roll Call**

Present: President Manning, Vice President Monreal, Director Reeder, Treasurer Delgado, Director Hernandez, Sen. Morales, Sen. Moya, Sen. Correia, Sen. Lindiwe, Sen. Tam, Sen. Joachim, Sen. Thomas, Sen Benitez, Sen. Brost, Sen. Eccles, Sen. O’Grady, Sen Viteri, Sen Sherman

AE: Rep. Gelinis

AU: Sen. Kotoski, Sen. Segura

Amber Brost is the new Inter-Club Council Representative

**V. Minutes Amendment / Approval**

**VI. Public Voice**

K-Poet is here to discuss making Whittfest into more of a local festival.

We were interested in working with Program Board and Senate to make this cheaper and fun for students.

Pres. Manning: Sorry for all the confusion. It is looking like Whittfest will be more of a festival vibe. The Whittfest Planning Committee takes ownership, this is not necessarily all Program Board. Everyone is working together to plan this and I know it has not been communicated effectively to the student body and students are taking the reigns of it.

Director Hernandez: Program Board did not get looped in until two weeks ago and were given instructions about what could be said, until the survey was released. It was agreed that it was important to evaluate last year and decide what could be improved, thus planning will start at the beginning of Spring. KPoet will be reached out for assistance, however at the moment the planning is in early stages. All concerns and questions can be emailed to [whittfest@poets.whittier.edu](mailto:whittfest@poets.whittier.edu).

Senator Correia : Residential students have expressed interest in a festival like event that will cost significantly less than Whittfest in previous years. Local artists that accurately represent the population of Whittier College would be more beneficial, especially students that are musicians. Having students perform and partake in the festival would be better than an unpopular artist that students do not approve of.

Director Hernandez: If questions involve getting involved in the committee, second year Journee Bradford has taken the lead with planning and the dynamic of committee. Please email [whittfes](mailto:whittfes)

Senator Joachim: How many responses were received to the survey: 950 approx

Senator Eccles: In the past students some students knew the artist and others did not. Most students will not attend if they do not know the artist. Thus, if the performers are unknown, many students may not attend.

Public Voice: Events Manager of KPOET suggests that multiple genres will attract more students despite popularity of artist. Allow for greater turnout, due to the fact that all students will have an enjoyable experience.

Director Hernandez: The hip-hop genre has always been the most requested genre since Whittfest began.

Senator Correia: KPOET has already begun Friday Night concerts with local artists, that would be interested in the festival. Students will be familiar with the local artists after seeing them at Friday Night concerts, exposure will not be an issue

Senator Eccles: How students will actually attend the Friday Night Concerts? Commuters may not be able to attend events that are not Friday Nights. Attracting commuter students, and the entire student body is critical

Senator Joachim: How will whittfest will be funded?

President Manning: Funds in the past have not been utilized efficiently, and for that reason other departments on campus will be contributing such as the President's Office. The committee may still come to ASW Senate for funding, but not for nearly the same amount as the past. In the past, expenses such as the personal expenses of the artist have been paid for, in addition to high artists fees. The committees do not intend in doing this again, and are seeking to include students in opening for the headliner, through competitions such as battle of the bands. As soon as the committee is confident that the concert will be taking place, and all logistics are finalized, KPOET will be reached out to.

Public Voice: KPOET can be of help in reaching out to artists, and assist in budgeting and ensuring nothing is being overpaid. KPOET would love to be apart of handling logistics and providing resources

President Manning: Email [Whittfest@poets.whittier.edu](mailto:Whittfest@poets.whittier.edu) to give resources. No one has been reached out to because the event is not 100% sure the event will happen

VP Monreal: who should emails be addressed to?

Director Hernandez: Sarah viramontes and journee bradford have access, emails should be addressed to Journee Bradford

Senator O'Grady: a committee has been mentioned by Director Hernandez, is that this same committee:

Director Hernandez: That was President Inauguration committee. The committee is looking for student performers and KPOET's assistance.

Senator O'Grady: How was Whittfest committee formed:

President Manning: Journee bradford spearheaded the initiative, and got in contact with outside resources and president Manning and Eryn Wells assisted and provided supported. The idea was then brought to Program Board E-board and other administrators like Siobhan Skerritt, John Hill, and Deanna Merino-Contino

Senator O'Grady: It seems that many students may no longer have the opportunity to partake and gain skills from this experience. Is it too late for those who want to get involved to get involved?

Dir. Hernandez: Program Board wasn't looped in until two weeks ago, and we don't want anyone to feel like they can't get involved in this.

Senator O'Grady: I understand that no students are isolated. Being that KPOET deals with music on campus, they should have a significant role and there should be a space for them to participate in the committee.

Senator Thomas: The concern of small performers performing can be an issue. Tory Lanez was not completely unknown and many students were disappointed. The committee should be acknowledged for attempting to make an more intimated experience.

Dir Hernandez: The budget has not been broken down, and it will not be as much as in the past. The committee is looking towards outsourcing and looking to other resources to fund the event, and want to ensure that the money of students is being properly spent

Sen Joachim: A decreased amount in budget, will bring an artist that still would not provide a comparable experience for students. Investing in local artists and student musicians, would be more successful. And would allow for more to get out of money

Sen Correia.: local bands are \$2,000 in comparison to a large amount of money spent on one artist that may not be popular, and would not be an effective use of people's time.

Pres Manning: In the past, many opinions were not taken into consideration, unlike now. In the beginning stages, outside organizations in the past were not reached out. Pres Manning got involved due to the interest of students he had received and wanted to fulfill his duties as President. This was based on the numerous survey responses that were received. If this is no longer the case, then things can be changed

Public Voice: Students still want a musical event, and a smaller festival with local performers can provide for a better experience. Larger performers and big acts are what students do not appreciate.

Many students have wide interest in music, it has been observed that first year students appreciate the music and go to KPOET to listen to music rather than focus on the performer or musician itself

Sen Eccles: The polls' questions allowed for students to request artists or expectations that are not feasible. The options for responses should be narrowed down, such as including a mid range headliner or festival like event. If these happen, what is the likelihood of you attending. These more specific surveys will provide more accurate results

Sen Correia. First Year student, Anthony , is a musician and lives on campus along with others that would attract many students due to the fact that they are supporting their classmates. There are connection with artists in other surrounding cities

Sen Tam: It is important to have a headliner with festivals to attract a large amount of the attendants, while still having a dynamic festivals with a variety of genres. Students that like one genre, may not know others that have similar interests, and the festival could allow for community building and awareness of other students that like similar music

Sen O'Grady: are there any Whittfest meetings open to the entire public for them to voice these concerns?

VP Monreal: Program board was barely made aware of this, and all planning is in the beginning stages, no decisions have been made.

Break: 5 Minute break at 8:06 PM

Meeting Reconvene's 8:13 PM

## VII. President's Message

Pres Manning: Happy to have appointed Destinee Moya as the new ASWC Secretary. We appreciate all of those Senators who applied

- Happy to also have Senator Amber Brost as our new ICC Rep!
- Want to remind all of you that we will need those senators who expressed the ability to table tomorrow for FCC to please be there
- Please take care of yourselves because Finals are coming up!

## VIII. Treasurer's Report

ASWC ACCOUNTS	
<b>General Body Account</b>	<b>\$73,052.61</b>
<b>Total Funds Allocated Thus Far</b>	<b>\$12,026.10</b>
<b>Operational Account</b>	<b>\$1,329.97</b>
<b>Reserve Account</b>	<b>\$17,295.37</b>
PENDING REQUESTS	
<b>First Readings Pending</b>	<b>\$00.00</b>
<b>Daily Calendar Considerations</b>	<b>\$00.00</b>
RELATED ACCOUNTS	

<b>Media Council</b>	<b>\$ 111,863.33</b>
<b>Program Board</b>	<b>\$26,529.47</b>
<b>Diversity Council</b>	<b>\$2,834.53</b>
<b>Inter-Club Council</b>	<b>\$4,410.90</b>
<b>Social Justice Coalition</b>	<b>\$2,625.16</b>
<b>Poet Student Athlete Leadership Academy</b>	<b>\$2,913.45</b>
<b>Inter-Society Council</b>	<b>\$2,549.14</b>
<b>First Year Class Council</b>	<b>\$4,333.35</b>

### **IX. Constituent Reports**

Sen C: Restrooms in Residence Halls are having issues. Half of Ball Residence Hall has no hot water.

Sen Lindiwe: I have heard a lot of complaints that the WIFI is slow and is constantly going out. I will be meeting with Craig Irby about CI Pricing on Friday, 12/07/18

Sen O'Grady: Facilities may be a great resource for WiFi concern.

Sen. Correia: Certain buildings or areas have poor wifi. For schools to have a main router, extensions are needed to ensure all areas have same quality wifi. Looking into getting more extensions for certain areas from facilities.

Sen Tam: I have one report. I will be creating a survey of some sort to inform people of the cleaning staffs struggles and efforts that they put in. In order to inform student body the cleaning staff is doing their best.

Manning: What would survey entail? Is it more like a newsletter?

Tam: Questions like: What do you think of the struggles, their job, are you satisfied. Then providing information about the struggles they face, and conducting a survey afterward to see how views have changed

Manning: It is difficult to get students to respond. It may be more effective to send out information packet or newsletter. If Tam would like to move forward with survey, allow Dir. Reeder to promote

Eccles: is familiar with many cleaning staff, and has found staff cleaning at 3 AM. Students must keep in mind that it is their responsibility for the upkeep as well. This can be seen in the difference between upperclassmen res halls and first year res halls. Do not treat common spaces like it is your home. The cleaning staff can only do so much.

Segura: Can it be a requirement for res hall students to fill out survey? Can it be mandated for RCA's to conduct the survey?

Monreal: it is difficult to mandate surveys, because problems arise to enforce if no consequences are given to those that do not answer the survey. This leads to lack of participation.

Segura: Survey can be explained in floor meetings, and RCA's can remind residents of the struggles of cleaning staff and encourage them to take personal responsibility

Monreal: what consequences are there for students that do not attend floor meetings

Joachim: Floor meetings typically take place during move in and end of semester. The survey can be handed out at the beginning of Spring Sem floor meeting.

OGrady: Does not recommend Tam to do survey, but rather Tam should speak to cleaning staff to get feedback about what students can do to help, and then sending info to CA's. Have CA's pass this info to residents.

Eckles: Joe Melendez has a survey that is accessible to students asking for feedback from residents about living conditions in res halls

VP monreal: does not believe a survey is best method of addressing problem. Can get stories from cleaning staff, and appeal to the hearts of students by showing them the struggles.

Sen Brost: As a resident, it is unlikely that she would listen to a list, or read another newsletter. CA's have a lot of influence, and most effective way could be if CA's keep residents accountable

Eckles: there was an emergency meeting due to uncleanliness in his experience as a resident, and there was not much change that happened after the meeting

Segura: When speaking about a social issue, to see a person struggle, can be more effective. I.e. Students seeing cleaning staff first hand.

Sen Joachim: I have heard concerns about Whittfest, especially regarding the source of funding. Some students have suggested using local bands at multiple events instead of one large event. KPOET has begun offering concerts in Club 88.

Sen Thomas: Complaints have been received about water in Turner Res Hall. It takes 20 to 25 minutes for water to heat up, and is wasteful of water and time. Female students have experienced water getting cold while washing hair. Is aware there is initiative that is seeking to solve issue over the course of a few years, but faster method needs to be found. Bon Appetit should provide meal prep meals for students. Rather than spending additional money on groceries to meal prep, bon appetit may assist with that.

Monreal: Knows it is possible. Reach out to bon appetit or culinary committee

Eckles: This is offered for dietary restrictions. Inform Bon Appetit of those special diets.

C: is the student asking, have

Thomas: combination of both

C: having dietary needs myself, Craig is more focused on meeting dietary needs, than people that just prefer a certain meal. I would be upset if someone that is voluntarily choosing a certain diet over those with actual allergens

VP Monreal: We should encourage all students to go to Bon Appetit, whether it is for dietary needs/medical issue or for personal reasons

C: It was difficult for me, having a medical issue, it may be more difficult for those that do not have medical issues

Monreal: We would like to focus on the accessibility of this, and hope that is not difficult for any student

Eckles: Please come to culinary committee with all these concerns, so action can be taken.

Thomas: As someone that has food allergies, I do understand the concerns of students. There are students that are paying a lot of money for this service, and yes they should be flexible, but the

school must provide the services, students are paying thousands of dollars for. Our job at the table is to be impartial, despite our personal issues, and ensure that students are being served properly.

Sen Benitez: The QC: last issue on thursday and not printing over jan term

Kpoet: planning a new schedule for Jan term and the station will be semi operational

QC:

WCSN: second poet profile out by winter break

VPS: next production should be out by the spring

Sen Eccles: Men's basketball had 2 games over the weekend in Colorado but went down in both. Whittier lost 82-101 against Colorado College and 87-99 to JWU (DENVER). There next 5 games will be on Wednesday 5th at Redlands, Saturday 8th against JWU (DENVER) here at home, Sunday 16th at Occidental, Tuesday 18th against Hanover at home. And UC Santa Cruz at home on the 29th.

OGrady: lost against bakersfield 74 to 76. Win against Laverne

Sen Viteri: Lancers have a fundraiser at Buffalo Wild Wings Wednesday December 5 11-11pm

Thalians have a Picnic this Saturday at 2pm

Sen Sherman: Metaphonians have a Jersey Mike's Fundraiser Today until it closes

Palmers have Winter Wind Down today Club 88 @ 8:30. Fellowship Event December 6 @ 5pm

## **X. Committee Reports**

**a.** Administrative

**b.** Budget

The rugby team came in asking for \$1,560: that is comprised of registration fees, referee fees, and health insurance fees. We will be voting on the funding this coming Thursday at 12:30, the final budget committee meeting of the semester.

**c.** Campus Relations

Did not meet this last week. I will be sending out a survey about times that you all would like Campus Relations to meet next semester, so that more senators can participate.

**d.** Elections

**e.** Programming

Hey everyone! Happy last week of classes! Program Board had a planning retreat this past Saturday and started putting events on the calendar for next semester so thank you all for your feedback! This Friday we will be having a destress event on the North Lawn from 11-1pm. We will have face mask giveaways and a yoga instructor from 11:30-12:30 so come out and relieve some stress with us. Save the date for The Poet Inaugural Festival on Thursday February 21st 2019! We are looking to showcase student talent so if you are interested in performing, be on the lookout in your email later this week with more information on how to audition.

I would also like to comment on Whittfest. I know earlier in the semester I made a statement on behalf of Program Board saying that we were not planning for Whittfest 2019 and would be working on planning Whittfest 2020 in the spring. I wanted to share that we were recently contacted by a group of students who were interested in making it happen in 2019 which is why Program Board is now supporting this group and is apart of the Whittfest planning committee. We were given specific instructions as to when it could be communicated out to the student body which was when the survey went out asking for genre of music. The planning is very much so in

the early stages, but if you have any questions feel free to email  
whittfest@poets.whittier.edu Good luck on Finals Poets!

**f. Advocacy**

**g. Culinary**

Culinary met on Wednesday but no new issues came up.

**h. Student Feedback**

**i. Student Finance**

Met on Friday at 12:30 PM. The constitutional breakdown of finance was discussed. The bill that introduces the finance committee will be put into the constitution over JanTerm.

**j. Environment**

**XI. Five Minute Recess**

**XII. First Readings**

**XIII. Daily Calendar Considerations**

**XIV. Miscellaneous Business**

Manning: Senator Morales stepped down from position as Academic affairs. I will be sending out application for Commuter Representative and Academic Affairs over JanTerm. Would table like to hold election or would like to make these an appointed position. Appointing a person allows for a faster process.

Reeder: Does anyone want to be senator of the week for this week? (Paris Thomas)

Senator of the month is Rep Sherman.

Manning: You [Sherman] has been doing an excellent job as ISC Rep

Hernandez: Sherman has been an active member of Program Board

Reeder: Thank you to everyone [the table] for all your hard work, and actively participating in meetings, etc.

Monreal: Send constituent reports to Dir Reeder and Sec. Moya.

Manning: E-Board would like to thank the table for all hard work by going to dinner on Thursday, Dec. 06 at 7:00 PM. Will be at Brea Mall. Text Pod leader if you can attend and need transportation. Senators will depart campus at 6:30 PM.

**XV. Announcements**

Tam: I am the president of the Volleyball club, and if any senators are interested in assisting with planning a volleyball spring tournament. Contact me at

O'Grady: send announcement on student I

Hernandez: New student I email is students@poets.whittier.edu

**XVI. Adjournments**

Meeting adjourned at 9:04 PM