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Meeting Minutes for September 24th, 2018

- I. Meeting is called to order at 7:13pm
- II. Moment of Silence/Inspirational quote

Quote: "Life can only be understood backwards; but it must be lived forwards."

- Soren Kierkegaard

Read by Sen. Eccles

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 Representative Gelinas

IV. Roll Call – Secretary Johnson

- a. Present: President Manning, VP Monreal, Secretary Johnson, Director Reeder, Treasurer Delgado, Director Hernandez, Director Olague, Sen. Morales, Representative Gelinas, Sen. Moya, Sen. Tam, Sen. Joachim, Sen. Thomas, Sen. Kotoski, Sen. Britton, Sen. Benitez, Sen. O'Grady, Sen. Eccles, Sen. Viteri, Sen. Sherman
- b. Absent excused: Sen. Segura
- c. Unexcused: n/a
- V. Minutes Amendment/Approval
 - a. Approved by Sen. Joachim
 - b. Seconded by Sen. Viteri
- VI. Public Voice
 - a. There were no individuals present for public voice
- VII. President's Message-President Manning
 - a. Tomorrow is National Voter Registration Day
 - **b.** Hispanic Heritage Month ends October 15th super lucky to be at an HSI, our latinx students are doing great things here at Whittier...
 - **c.** Thanks for flexibility

d. Culinary Committee is being chaired by Sen. Jesse Eccles

VIII. Treasurer's Report-Treasurer Delgado

- a. Statement: I would like to preface this with the fact that the numbers I promised about Whittfest are still not available and conversations are still being had. Bear with me as we get these numbers in the next week or so.
- b. General Fund Balance: \$84,179.50
- c. Operational Account Balance: \$4,855.75
- d. Reserve Account Balance: \$8,690.75
- e. Allocated thus far: \$4,425.00
- **f.** First readings: \$00.00
- g. Daily Calendar Considerations: \$00.00

IX. Constituent Reports

- a. Academic Affairs Chair Sen. Morales
 - a. The representative did not have anything to report.
- b. First Year Class Council- n/a
- c. Commuter Representative Sen. Moya
 - a. The representative did not have anything to report.
- **d.** Residential Hall Representative **n/a**
- e. Student Body Representative Sen. Tam
 - a. One thing that has been brought to my attention, is that students who use the athletic facility are unable to use the ice machine in the athletics training room and wish to do so after working out.
- f. Student Body Representative Sen. Thomas
 - a. The representative did not have anything to report.
- g. Student Body Representative Sen. Joachim
 - a. This last week I emailed General Manager Irby of Bon Appetite concerning food allergen labeling at the CI. I provided him with possible labels that could be used to create for a more exhaustive labeling system, especially on the papers near the food that detail the ingredients. I am waiting to schedule a phone call to continue these discussions.
- **h.** Student Body Representative n/a
- i. Diversity Council Representative Sen. Kotoski
 - a. We met last week 9/18 on Tuesday from 4:30-5:30 in the OEI. We discussed expectations of the Council, further Constitution amendments, and the Activities Fair. We had great attendance to this meeting. By next meeting we will hopefully vote to approve the amended Constitution. It was a great meeting with very positive and fruitful conversation!! The app for Internal Chair will go out this week. Our next meeting is 10/2, same place, same time. Thanks!
- j. Inter-Club Council Representative Sen. Britton

- a. First ICC meeting this past Thursday. Because no email was sent out, the turnout was minimal but we are looking to get the contact information for Club and Organization representatives to get ahold of them. I have posted my office hours on OrgSync if anyone has any questions.
- k. Social Justice Coalition Representative Sen. Segura
 - a. Sen. Segura was not present during the meeting.
- **I.** Media Council Representative **Sen. Benitez**
 - a. Media Council is still unable to do anything due to the lack of information regarding their budget. They have been paying out of pocket for most of their expenses but saving receipts for reimbursement.
- m. Poet Student Athlete Leadership Academy Male Rep Sen. Eccles
 - a. Soccer Lost to CMS 3-0, beat Pomona-Pitzer 2-1. Currently 4-4 overall and 3-3 in conference play
 - b. Water polo beat cal tech 16-3
 - c. Upcoming games
 - 1. Soccer home game Wednesday against Cal Lutheran
 - 2. Water polo plays La Verne Wednesday and CMS Saturday both away. 1-0 conference play
 - 3. Tennis Plays ITA Friday-Saturday
 - 4. Track meet on Saturday.

d.PSALA breakdown

- 1. Introduction for new students.
- 2. Looking to really get events going and looking to bridge the gap between student athletes and non-student athletes.
- n. Poet Student Athlete Leadership Academy Female Rep Sen. O'Grady
 - a.Soccer
 - 1. Poets fall in second half 2-0 to CMS
 - 2. Poets and Sagehens play to a draw

b.Volleyball

- 1. Poets sweep Chapman 25-22, 25-16, 25-22
- 2. Mackenzie Thieme was named all sciac athlete of the week c.Golf
 - 1. Whittier ranked 33rd finished 5th at CA state intercollegiate
- o. Inter-Society Council Male Rep Sen. Viteri
 - a. Lancers have a fundraiser @ Menchie's September 27 10am-11pm
 - b.ISC ice cream mixer September 27 7pm- 9pm
 - c. Thalians have a recruitment event September 28 from 7:30pm-8:30pm @ StoJo courtyard
- p. Inter-Society Council Female Rep Sen. Sherman
 - a. Athenians have a fundraiser today at Blaze pizza

- b. Metaphonians fundraiser at Panda Express @ Whittwood October $1^{\rm st}$ 3pm-9pm
- c. We received complaints about the date of Dubsync being changed so late, and how it will affect alumni attendance, especially since the alumni already made plans to fly in on Friday. Jordan explained why the date was changed and why it was so late, but some societies still have strong disagreements with how this happened and will be emailing me their alumni complaints. I will be forwarding them to the Program Board directors so that they can inquire further.

X. Committee Reports

- **a.** Administrative *Vice President Monreal*
 - a. We read over the Constitution and we will be proposing edits to the constitution.
 - b.Next week we will do the same with the ByLaws
- **b.** Budget *Treasurer Delgado*
 - a. First meeting, 9/20, went really well. We had two first hearings. VIP Club: SlutWalk Transportation for 50 students (\$643.75) and Cheer Team Funding (\$1,995.76).
 - b.Reminder that meetings are **Thursdays from 12:30-1:30 in the OSE Conference space**. We will be meeting there this week to vote on the funding of these two requests.
- **c.** Campus Relations *Director Reeder*
 - a. Campus Relations Committee will be meeting Fridays from 9:00-10:00 AM in the Senate Office.
 - b. We had our first meeting on Friday, and discussed our goals for this year. We discussed parking, among other things. Please let me know if you would like to join.
- **d.** Elections Secretary Johnson
 - a.I still have not heard from any senators looking to join elections committee besides Sen. Sherman but I need input to be able to schedule the meeting time so it works for enough Senators.
- e. Program Board Directors Olague and Hernandez
 - a. We are so excited to announce the theme of DubSync: Musicals!! Forms are live on Orgsync and are due Oct. 1st. Any organization is welcome to participate. DubSync will be on Thurs Oct. 11th.
 - b. We are still finalizing Homecoming Week festivities, but be on the lookout for when we announce those activities.
 - c. Next week we have a few activities. Wednesday (10/3) we will be hosting an Adopt a Succulent Event. Friday (10/5), we will be hosting an

Incredibles 2 movie night, and Saturday (10/6) we will have an excursion trip to Disneyland! Tickets will be live soon.

- f. Advocacy President Manning
 - a. Addressing student concerns dealing with feeling singled out on campus.
 - b.Increase students on campus' understanding that if there are issues on campus this is where they should be addressed and talked about
 - c. Give students the tools to advocate for themselves.
 - d. Have a channel for students to express concerns.
 - e. Misc. Topics:
 - Advocacy Coalition → figure out how to partner with the Advocacy Coalition, what is their involvement? What is our involvement? Balance responsibilities.
- **g.** Culinary Sen. Eccles
 - a. Sen. Eccles will now be chairing the committee. I will be working out a meeting time, and location. First topic of discussion will be the issue of the disappearing Turkey Club.
- **h.** Student Feedback n/a
- i. Student Finance *Treasurer Delgado*
 - a. Announcing time today: We will be meeting once to twice a month: **Mondays from 6-7pm** in the Senate Office Space.
- **i.** Environmental *Representative Gelinas*
 - a. Environmental committee is going to meet Friday's at 2:30 in the senate room. This week we are going to be discussing a timeline of this year's goals and the organization of those goals. Also, a member of the QC has reached out to me asking about the mural outside of the counseling center. They asked for my opinion on the mural and if I think it will help the students and just feedback in general. I wanted to bring this up because I would love input from the table and students before I reach out with my final statement to the QC because I'm not sure if I have all the information on it just yet.
- XI. First Readings n/a
- XII. Daily Calendar Considerations n/a
- XIII. Miscellaneous Business
 - **a.** The issue of parking tickets was discussed, as ticketing begin this week. Sen. O'Grady asked if Dean Perez could look into where the funds from tickets are then allocated to.
 - **b.** Sen. Joachim Senate Summary Emails
 - a. The idea was thrown around during the Senate retreat to send out a weekly roundup of the Senate meetings in order to better connect with the campus.

- b.Sen. O'Grady proposed the idea of during the housing application process and exemption process, students are required to fill out what emails they would like to be updated on.
- c.Sec. Johnson I believe Pres. Oubre is looking into changing how the Student-L is used and possibly reformatting it so it is more effective, so I would hold off until we have more information
- d.Sen. Kotoski While I agree with Sec. Johnson, I think it is important for students to be aware as soon as possible and we shouldn't wait to see if Pres. Oubre ends up switching the format of Student-L.

XIV. Announcements

- **a.** Joe Melendez The inquiring regarding ants in Turner, we looked into it. The exterminator came and sprayed inside and outside of the building. Most of the issues regarding ants were linked to food being left out.
 - a.Sen. O'Grady Is there any way that we could get information about the chemicals being used and sprayed by the exterminators?
 - b.Rep. Gelinas My dad is actually an exterminator and most of the chemicals that exterminators use harmless to humans and only cause harm to insects and some animals. The only issues that individuals should be concerned about are regarding gases in buildings.
- **b.** Director Reeder Just a few points of inquiry, we don't have shirt sizes and ID numbers for senators so we will be going around and getting those right now.
- **c.** Sen. Kotoski So once we are all allowed into the Senate office, are we all supposed to have office hours? And how will we know when other senators have office hours so they don't conflict?
 - a. VP Monreal We are going to be switching the format of office hours, so that you have office hours in the Senate office, but we are going to encourage you to have office hours outside of the Senate office to reach out and speak to new constituents.
- **d.** Director Olague I emailed everyone a google doc to sign up for the activities fair. It is tomorrow from 4:30-6:30 and I am hoping that all of you can come by for at least a half hour and sit at the table and talk to students.
- **e.** VP Monreal you have to be a part of three committees as required by the constitution, so reach out to your POD leaders so the expectations

XV. Adjournment

- a. Sen. Moya motions to adjourn the meeting.
- **b.** Sen. O'Grady seconds the motion with no objections.
- **c.** Meeting adjourned at 8:14pm.