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Meeting Minutes for February 17, 2020

- I. Meeting is called to order at: 7:07 pm**
- II. Moment of Silence/Inspirational quote**
 - A. INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE**

Read By: Dir. Gil
- 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. Angileri
- IV. Roll Call – Secretary Brost**
 - A. Present:** Sen. Casserly-Simmons, Sen. Minami, Sen. Iseri, Sen. Ross, Sen. Mendoza, Sen. Torres, Sen. Malone, Sen. Modesti, Sen. Green, Tres. Estrada, VP Joachim, Pres. Moya, Dir. Tejada, Sec. Brost, Dir. Gil, Sen. Royster, Sen. Gracia, Sen. Segura, Sen. Garrison, Sen. Eccles, Sen. Angileri, Sen. Alvarez
 - B. Absent excused:** Sen. Hagan-Martin, Sen. Hidalgo
 - C. Unexcused:**
- V. Minutes Amendment/Approval**
 - A. Approved by:** Sen. Royster
 - B. Seconded by:** Sen. Alvarez
- VI. Public Voice**
 - A.** Pres. Moya: Bruce wants us to have a discussion about the environmental survey that has been sent out. They have not really gotten any responses. I wanted to have a quick open discussion on how we could promote the survey. It is about Title IX.

Sen. Ross: There is a lot of verbiage before the link and knowing how students are, they aren't going to scroll all the way down to do it. Maybe if they send out multiple emails and put in bold letters, take the survey.

Cassrely-Simmons: What is there was a raffle you were put in once you finished it?



Pres. Moya: The survey is anonymous. One problem I noticed is that the survey doesn't give me a confirmation that I have finished it.

Dir. Gil: Is there any social media content on it?

Pres. Moya: As far as I know, there isn't anything. Campus Relations Committee will look into creating one.

VII. President's Message - *President Moya*

- A. We also discussed the concerns about having a safe space to pray on campus, this is something that Sal Johnston had brought up to Pres. Oubre as well. She is very much on board with ensuring that we find a space, however actually determining the space, how it is spread to the student body and everything regarding that, I think she wants to be more student lead. Another thing I wanted to discuss was that BSA held a discussion where students could express their concerns and feelings on campus and in this institution, these conversations are continuing through this week so I will update you regarding that again next week

VIII. Treasurer's Report - *Treasurer Estrada*

- A. **General Fund Balance:** \$???
- B. **Operational Account Balance:** \$???
- C. **Reserve Account Balance:** \$34,631.00
- D. **Allocated Thus Far:** \$10,132.50
- E. **First Readings:** \$0.00
- F. **Daily Calendar Considerations:** \$3,475.98

IX. Constituent Reports

A. Academic Affairs Chair: *Sen. Minami*

- 1. Met with Carlos to plan an event for Open Educational Resources (OER)
- 2. Reached out to IT on downloadable academic resources

B. First-Year Class Council: *Sen. Iseri*

- 1. N/A

C. Commuter Representative: *Sen. Hagan Martin*

- 1. N/A

D. Residential Hall Representative: *Sen. Ross*

- 1. I met with Joe Melendez and Joe Harper and we have set up weekly meeting times for the semester going forward. Joe M agreed to all of my goals and shared that the reconfiguration of facilities requests/sorting had already started and I am set up to schedule to attend a staff meeting of the resident hall group. I sent a follow up email to Sarah Dudley with faculties and have still not received response will reach out through one of the Joe's if I do not receive responses soon.

E. Non-Traditional Student Representative: *Sen. Mendoza*

1. N/A

F. Student Body Representative: *Sen. Torres*

1. With Senator Malone and Representative Alveraz, we've scheduled a meeting with Craig Irby to fully explain the concerns with the dietary restrictions for the Muslim students and how we can appeal to to their needs, in conjunction with the plan to bring the gluten free menu to life.

G. Student Body Representative: *Sen. Malone*

1. Currently waiting on a response back from Craig Irby about attending a culinary committee meeting this month.

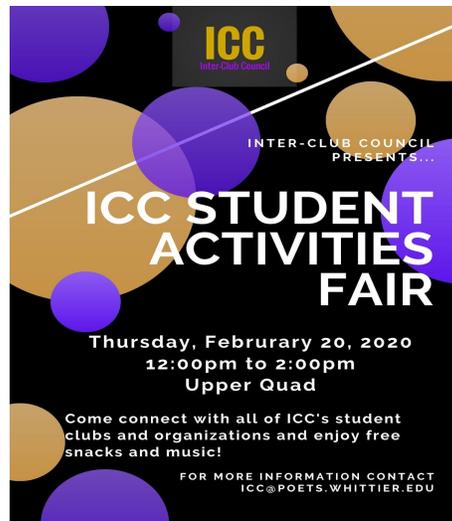
H. Student Body Representative: *Sen. Green*

1. N/A

I. Student Body Representative: *Sen. Modesti*

1. For the past week, we have been working on planning the student feedback forum on March 2nd. I have emailed Sarah in facilities as well as Chris in Poet Entertainment to confirm everything. Right now we are focusing on the food that will be provided and working with Creig to figure that out.

J. Inter-Club Council Representative: *Sen. Royster*



- 1.

2. Activities Fair is this Thursday!

K. Diversity Council Representative: *Sen. Garcia*

1. DC Co-chairs have been meeting individually with clubs to follow up on their progress with collaborations and event descriptions. I will be having meetings today and tomorrow.



L. Social Justice Coalition Representative: *Sen. Segura*

1. Hello y'all! Our first SJC meeting is planned for February 26th, from 4:30-5:30PM at the Dezember House.

M. Media Council Representative: *Sen. Garrison*

1. QC published their first issue of the spring semester.
2. Kpoet will be holding open mic night and did all DJ training on Sunday.
3. VPS is holding green screen training, and will be choosing a winner for their screenplay contest, and will be making another production.
4. Poet ent. helped with the open house event today and is currently cleaning out the green room in club 88.

N. Poet Student Athlete Leadership Academy Male Representative: *Sen. Eccles*

1. N/A

O. Poet Student Athlete Leadership Academy Female Representative: *Sen. Angileri*

1. Women's Basketball defeated Chapman and Oxy in their last games, making their overall record 16-7. They have two more games in their season, this Wednesday against Pomona and a home game Saturday against Redlands for their Senior Night. They are 3rd in SCIAC standings as of now and will be entering the SCIAC Tournament if they continue to win.
2. Women's Lacrosse has their first game today at 1:00 pm in Thousand Oaks and this Wednesday against Oxy at 7:00 pm.
3. Women's Track and Field beat the school record for the 4x100 this last weekend at Pomona. Their next meet is this Saturday at CMS.
4. Women's Softball had a bye week, but starts up games this week. They have all home games this week, two games versus Brandeis on Wednesday at 11:30 and 1:30, two games versus Linfield this Friday at 11:30 and 1:30, and two games versus George Fox this Saturday at 11:00 and 1:00.
5. Women's Tennis has an overall record of 0-4 with a couple of games coming up.
6. PSALA is having their first meeting of the semester this Wednesday. We will be discussing QPR and other things.

P. Inter-Society Council Female & Male Representative: *Sen. Hidalgo & Sen. Alvarez*

1. N/A



X. Committee Reports

A. Administrative –*Vice President Joachim*

1. Admin Committee did not meet last week, but I did receive interest from two senators about being in the committee. I will be reaching out to the senators to establish a time that works for them both. An update on the Mental Health Initiative: Residential Life has reached out to the Senate about a partnership program with the Counseling Center and CAAS. The event will focus on a dialog about dealing with stress on campus and a common addiction faced by many college students: video game addiction. The event will feature a variety of poster presentations and tables about how to handle stress and will be coincided with a Super Smash Bros tournament with raffle prizes. Residential Life has reached out to us about creating a poster and tabling at the event to discuss how to handle the stress of being a student leader on campus.

B. Budget- *Treasurer Estrada*

1. Budget committee will meet Tuesday at 12:40pm-1:30pm in the Ose Conference room. Everyone that is signed up will be reminded through the slack app and text.
2. Last week Budget committee was able to fund the Transfer Club for \$132.50.

C. Campus Relations- *Director Tejada*

1. Hi everyone! The state of the senate will be held on Tuesday, February 25th from 12:30-1:30 in Club 88! We will be raffling a 50 dollar visa gift card and we will have a nacho bar with ceviche and vegetarian/vegan options! So excited to see y'all there I'll send the flyer in the slack tonight!

D. Elections- *Secretary Brost*

1. Today, the Senate tabled outside the CI to promote voting that will be happening soon!
 - a) So thank you to everyone who tabled today.
2. Don't forget that we are hosting the democratic debate watch party in Club 88 on wednesday.
 - a) There will be snacks.
 - b) Please make sure you come and bring your friends!
 - c) The debate starts at 6pm our time.
 - d) Professor Sara Angevine will be there to help facilitate the watch party.
3. Elections committee will meet this week on Thursday at 4:30 in the Senate office.



4. Last week, Christine and I met with members from the communication office.
 - a) They are looking into a logo and a name to call the political engagement initiative that the Senate has promised to the school to make this political engagement initiative more prominent.
 - b) They even gave us ideas for different types of events to put on.

E. Program Board – *Director Gil*

1. On Friday 2/21 Program Board will be having an event in the Upper Quad from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm. There will be Afters ice cream with vegan options, tie dye, and more!
2. Please leave feedback on our instagram about future events you would want to see on campus!

F. Advocacy- *President Moya*

1. N/A

G. Culinary- *Sen. Malone & Sen. Torres*

1. Currently waiting on a response back from Craig Irby about attending a culinary committee meeting this month.

H. Student Feedback Committee- *Sen. Modesti*

1. Working on the Student Feedback forum.
2. Already reached out to facilities and kpoet.
3. In the process of emailing Craig to see if we can get snacks instead of using Bon Appetit.

I. Student Finance Committee- *Tres. Estrada*

1. N/A

J. Environmental- *Sen. Casserly-Simmons*

1. New Composting Structure should arrive and be set up hopefully by next week
2. A professor front the bill for these so we shall reimburse her for that as soon as the funds get allocated.
3. Bike share program is continually being brainstormed
4. CI sustainability
5. Craig is getting paper portion cups instead of plastic ones
6. The Tall grey recycle bins are being picked up Thursday to recycle those bottles and then put back to be filled up.
7. Drafting ideas of things to do for the end of the year

XI. First Readings

- A. N/A



XII. Daily Calendar Considerations

A. *Star Party-Physics Club:*

1. The physics club is asking \$3,475.98 for their trip to Joshua tree they take every semester.
2. Rep. from the physics club came to present their presentation to the Senate.
3. This is their second reading.
4. This trip is for everyone on campus, not just for those who are in the science department.
5. Sen. Garcia: I move to vote on funding this trip in full.
Sen. Casserly-Simmons: I second.
For: 14
Against: 0
Abstention: 0
6. This event has been funded.

XIII. Misc. Business

- A.** Pres. Moya asked the senators their opinion on Bruce coming in and talking about the Title IX center.

Sen. Garcia stated how she was concerned that Bruce didn't even read the bill that Senate wrote. She has also heard talks from a friend who is on the task force that they don't know where the Senate's vision is. She believes that someone from Senate should sit on the task force.

Sen. Ross stated how she was concerned how the bill allocated money for research.

Sen. Eccles wanted to vote on having someone from Senate sit on the task force. Pres. Moya said that she thinks that that is a good idea but she suggested that the voting would be paused and moved to next week so she can let Bruce know.

- B.** Sen. Torres moved to close the meeting.

Sen. Mendoza second that.

Pres. Moya reopened the meeting.: So in regards to the clubs having concern to be able to request funding, this is why we ask all clubs or orgs to request money earlier. To request funding, the earlier the better. Please tell your clubs and orgs to come into public voice and attend the meeting. I could even have Journey come in to answer questions. So if you all can encourage your constituents to come and voice their opinions.

Sen. Eccles: I get that there are concerns and stuff like that, but this event is



going to happen. We are going to look for funding and get it all done. We

also need your help to make sure that students go to this event. This event isn't for us, we will be working the event. If they have concerns, they can come to us and be addressed. Just let students know that this event is for them so that money doesn't go to waste.

Sen. Modesti: I've talked to a lot of students and they are really excited about it.

Dir Gil: I think this is a good learning lesson for such huge events that require a lot of money to fund it. I think that in the future, when we have this large of an event, we promote it first and tell the student body about the event before funding it. In the future, maybe start a marketing timeline to get the word out first.

Sen. Ross: The negative concerns were from two particular groups. Most of the students I talked to were first years who didn't know about the event. Maybe have a tabling event that gives out information about the event. Have a program board or WC the rock promote it.

Sen. Eccles: I didn't want to sit there and say that we were going to throw this event and it not happen. If you want to show your friends what it looks like, there are promo videos on Youtube.

Sen. Minami: The biggest concern that I have heard is how we are giving them \$10,000 on a date that might move. Senate needs to stay consistent on how they fund events.

Sen. Casserly-Simmons: Personally, my main topic is environmental committee. Pentronic doesn't align will the committee viewpoints. I want you to understand that this is the top concern for some constituent body but not every.

XIV. Announcements

A. Sen. Royster: I am hosting a flyer at Blaze later on Friday.

B. Sen. Garrison: VPS is doing a documentary film.

The QC is also hiring this semester.

Open Mic night is this Friday.

XV. Adjournment

A. Motioned By: Sen. Royster

Second By: Sen. Alvarez

B. Time: 8:32pm



SENATE

Respectfully Submitted by Amber Brost, Secretary of the ASWC