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Meeting Minutes for 9/27/21

- I. **The meeting is called to order at 7:02 pm**
- II. **Moment of Silence/Inspirational quote**
 - A. INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE
 - B. Read By: Sen. Flores
- 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.
 - B. Read By: Sen. Coco
- IV. **Roll Call – Secretary Iseri**
 - A. **Present:** President Hagan Martin, Vice President Brost, Treasurer Estrada, (Program Board) Director Pena, Senator Waldorf, Senator Flores, Senator Maldonado, Senator Lyle-Temple, Senator Bautista, Senator Duenas, Senator Coco, Senator Weber
 - B. **Absent excused:** (CampusRelationsDirector) Director Benn, Representative Garrison
 - C. **Unexcused:**
- V. **Minutes Amendment/Approval**
 1. Sen. Bautista
 2. Sen. Waldorf
- VI. **Public Voice**
 - A. None
- VII. **President’s Message - *President Hagan-Martin***
 - A. **Thank you for being patient this week**
 - B. **It’s the end of the month, however it’s still September which is Suicide Awareness Month**
 - C. **The Counseling Center as sent information for Senate and students know that Whittier College has invested in the Question, Persuade and Refer (QPR) Suicide Prevention program for several years now. Over 350 students,**



staff and faculty have become certified in QPR-like CPR, in a life-threatening emergency, these members of our community are now prepared to make a difference. If you want to know more about the resources or to go through training, please contact The Counseling Center.

D. I also wanted to mention that as we go through Hispanic Heritage Month that we recognize that we are a Hispanic serving institution and we should be by celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America.

E. Dean Deanna Marino Conto is looking for ONE student representative for the Student success committee, please let me know at the end of this meeting if you are interested in that role.

F.

VIII. **Treasurer's Report - *Treasurer Estrada***

A. No pending budget requests or daily calendar considerations

B. Accounts:

1. General Fund Balance: \$
2. Operational Account Balance: \$
3. Reserve Account Balance: \$
4. Allocated Thus Far: \$
5. First Readings: \$
6. Daily Calendar Considerations: \$

C.

IX. **First Readings**

A.

X. **Miscellaneous Business**

A.

XI. **Constituent Reports**

A. **Academic Affairs Chair: *Sen. Waldorf***

1. I have contacted Sal regarding putting majors and minors on our diplomas but I have gotten no response. I will follow up again Monday which will have allowed him three business days to respond (sent the first email Wednesday).
2. I am working on creating an Academic Affairs Council run similarly to ICC but for honor societies so that they can have funding and hopefully have more of a presence on campus. I will start contacting each honor society on Monday.

B. **First-Year Class Council: *N/A***

- 1.

C. **Commuter Representative: *Sen. Flores***

1. N/A



D. Residential Hall Representative: *N/A*

- 1.

E. Non-Traditional Student Representative: *N/A*

- 1.

F. 2nd-year Student Body Representative: *Sen. Maldonado*

1. My main concern last week was knowing when the credit/debit machine in the Spot would be fixed. I saw that it is finally working so that is no longer a concern of mine.
2. However, I know there are still a lot of concerns pertaining the Campus Inn and the Spot and I have frequently heard another one.
 - a) I have talked to many students, whether they be commuters or residents, about the ant problem on campus. I am aware it is hard to control the behaviors of ants, but they frequently populate inside of the Spot while students are eating and the dorms.
 - b) I am wondering where I should direct these concerns? Facilities?

G. 3rd-year Student Body Representative: *N/A*

- 1.

H. 4th- year Student Body Representative: *Sen. Lyle-Temple*

1. Students are still asking for spot hours to be extended.
2. The Library requires 10K dollars in funding to open till midnight Sunday-Thursday for the whole year including the Spring. They will also require a campus safety officer to be stationed there during those hours.
 - a. Budget request will be sent out
3. Students are also still concerned with the Oubre situation and a lack of a statement.
4. Students are concerned about the washers
 - a. Facilities request for the washers has been submitted
5. Insect problem in the residence halls
 - a. Facilities has been notified
 - b. Exterminator on wednesday

I. Inter-Club Council Representative: *Sen. Bautista*

1. *N/A*

J. Diversity Council Representative: *Sen. Duenas*

1. What was done this week(09/20-09/24)
 - a) Sent out activities fair sign up sheet to all clubs in order to ensure representation of DC at the activities fair.
 - b) Had a meeting with Brittney(OEI) to ensure that all clubs got their EMS information in order to host events in person.
 - c) Working with one more club (UIPN) in order to get them



registered and active after a year of inactivity.

- d) Creating social media flyers introducing and tagging all DC clubs to promote recruitment.
2. Upcoming activities/plans
 - a) Host next DC meeting on October 1st regarding budget request and redistribution forms for clubs about the activities fair.
 - b) Plan out what DC will be doing for the activities fair(our own giveaways and flyers)
 - c) Working with club presidents regarding upcoming events and collaborations within October.(Specifically MEChA as they are planning a larger event in collaboration with Program Board as well)
3. Future plans for the year
 - a) Host another Diverse Identities Week/Sites of Solidarity event within the Spring Semester
 - b) Foster club collaboration within DC and branch out into having clubs also collaborate with ICC(at least one event within the year)
 - c) Host leadership workshops with presidents on both easier transitions of power within the Spring semester.
4. Announcements
 - a) Diversity Council will be hosting a meeting Friday October 1st regarding club funds and redistribution form assistance.
 - b) Activities Fair will be October 8th from 3pm to 6pm at the Upper Courtyard.

K. Social Justice Coalition Representative: N/A

1.

L. Media Council Representative: *Sen. Garrison*

1. N/A

M. Poet Student-Athlete Leadership Academy Male Representative: *Sen. Coco*

1. We are looking to hold the annual Midnight Madness event this year and we are looking for some support from the media council for equipment. We have contacted Lachlan who is on the council.
2. I have discussed with the issues of my constituents that student-athletes face. One of the largest challenges, aside from mental health, is proper nutrition. I have discussed with some students and will bring it to the admin in the athletic center, opening a food store in the GAC. Many athletes skip meals due to time constraints and lack of ease when getting meals from the CI or the Spot. I would like to offer healthy, nutritious meals in the GAC for our student-athletes, or everyone who uses the GAC, to provide a quick and easy way to purchase food. 33% of female athletes struggle with eating disorders and 7% of male athletes do as well. This is a challenge that can be overcome with this solution.



3. New bands are needed for the weight room which can be used by student-athletes and regular students who use the weight room, so a purchase is likely to be made soon in the upcoming weeks. Furthermore, there are other requests in the weight room to be purchased (chains, harnesses for resistance running, etc.) that will be looked at, priced, and likely brought to the budget committee to find funds.

N. Poet Student-Athlete Leadership Academy Female Representative: *Sen. Weber*

1. I have heard upset over the lack of wearing masks in the GAC. There are many people that don't wear or even bring one at all, making many people feel unsafe. They are unsure who to contact and would like there to be changes to help keep everyone healthy.

O. Inter-Society Council Female & Male Representative: N/A

- 1.

XII. Committee Reports

A. Administrative –*Vice President Brost*

1. Admin Committee did meet online last week. We came up with a game plan on how our weekly meetings will look like.
2. I also met with some Senators outside the committee to discuss what things they would like to accomplish this year. The Academic Affairs Council and Diversity Council Reps are looking into moving honors societies under the AAC.
3. The ICC and Commuter Reps are looking into adding more electric charging stations onto the campus.
4. These are amazing ideas Senators! Keep up the great work!

B. Budget Committee- *Treasurer Estrada*

1. Budget Committee meets on Tuesdays from 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm on zoom. Everyone that is signed up will be reminded through slack and text.
2. Tomorrow the Esports club will be coming in for their budget request, and we still need 2 more senators for the committee in order to vote. Please let me know by tonight, to make sure we can approve people.

C. Campus Relations- *Director Benn*

1. This past week the CRC discussed our ideas for the posting schedule, of which one of the main posts would happen on Monday nights / Tuesday mornings to recap and summarize the Senate Meetings. Other ideas that came up were introducing the senators and also consistently reposting important information from other organizations. We discussed connecting all the social media accounts so that posts will carry over from one platform to the next.



2. The topic of bringing back Senator of the Month was also discussed and we have a presentation that our committee is currently working on to best propose the new way of approaching this.
3. The CRC team also brainstormed ideas for inexpensive gear that we [the Table] could use / wear to better promote who we are around campus. We are in the process of also creating a presentation to best visualize this information.
4. We have come up with an event in partnership with Program Board called Tea with the Table. Further details will be coming out as we get logistics handled. We also discussed ideas for tabling at the Activities Fair and we'll be looking at using some of the outdoor games and promotional items for giveaways.
5. Our final topic of discussion was actually related to finding ways to best advertise flyers and other marketing materials for Senate. The CRC team came up with some ideas, such as new bulletin boards in high student traffic locations for better marketing.

D. Program Board – *Director Pena*

1. Program Board is currently preparing for our events in October; such as College radio day with Kpoet, our movie night, pumpkin patch and crafts night, and also the activities fair. As apart of Campus Relations Committee, I am currently helping come up with a bingo to help students and orgs interact with each other at the activities fair. We are also working on ideas for the new senate gear.
2. October 20th seeing if they can a Haunted House
3. Oct 30th Movie Night Corpse Bride
4. Applications closed today

E. Advocacy- *President Hagan-Martin*

1. Advocacy Committee will be meeting every Wednesday from 3:30pm via hybrid in the Senate Office as well as being on Zoom, please ask me individually for the meeting link
2. We met last week in discussion about food services and facilities, next week we should have more updates about timelines and how student concerns are being addressed.
3. Update as well, the Spot now is available with a debit and credit card system.

F. Elections- *Secretary Iseri*

1. The elections Committee Met on Thursday and we went over:
 - a) What else we can do to advertise?
 - (1) The senators decided that tabling is the best opportunity for us to get more student involvement.



b) How do we track how many people/who the senators talked to about running?

(1) make sure all senators tag the ASWC Senate Instagram account if they post it online.

2. So far we have 4 people who have submitted their forms to run, but we would love to see more students running. So, please continue talking to students individually, talking to your constituents, and just sharing information about the elections.

3. If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please let me know!

G. Student Feedback Committee- *Sen. Maldonado and Sen.*

1. The main project we were working on this week was finalizing the details for our TownHall

a. Date: Wednesday, September 29th, 2021

b. Time: 3:30pm

c. Location: Villalobos

2. We would also like to invite any other senators who would be interested in helping listen to student concerns and act as additional support when answering their questions

3. At this moment, the flyer is still being made and should be done by the beginning of next week

4. Please share this flyer on social media.

H. Finance Committee- Treasurer Estrada

1.

I. Environmental- *Sen. N/A*

1.

XIII. Announcements

A. Elections Tabling:

1. Tomorrow from 12-2 pm there will be tabling in the Campus Center, for the fall 2021 elections. If you are available, please stop by to assist.

2. Also, we have gotten permission to hang up flyers promoting elections in the lower campus residence halls, so there are still flyers that need to be hung up.

B. National Voter Registration Day:

1. tabling, tomorrow from 11 am until 2 pm

C. ICC Meetings

1. SLC 204 for ICC Meetings

D. Honor Societies

1. please let Sen Waldorf or Senator Duenas



E. On-Campus

1. Student has been on campus for months and just found out Senate, and didn't know, We need better job at marketing.

XIV. Adjournment

- A. Motioned By: Sen. Waldorf**
Second By: Sen. Lyle-Temple
- B. Time: 7:42 PST**

Respectfully Submitted by Zoe Iseri Secretary of the ASWC