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Meeting Minutes for 11/8/21

- I. **The meeting is called to order at 7:04 pm**
- II. **Moment of Silence/Inspirational quote**
 - A. INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE
 - B. Read By: Sen. Waldorf
- 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 Flores
- IV. **Roll Call – Secretary Iseri**
 - A. **Present:** President Hagan Martin, Vice President Brost, Treasurer Estrada, Director Benn, Director Pena, Senator Waldorf, Senator Flores, Senator Garrison, Senator Maldonado, Senator Lyle-Temple, Senator Duenas, Senator Bautista, Senator Weber, Senator Wainwright, Senator Holoman
 - B. **Absent excused:** Sen Coco
 - C. **Unexcused:**
- V. **Minutes Amendment/Approval**
 1. Director Pena
 2. Sen Flores
- VI. **Public Voice**
 - A. None
- VII. **President’s Message - *President Hagan-Martin***
 - A. Hello Everyone! Before I begin my President’s Message, I would like to close off the meeting to the Public and keep our Advisors and Lafayette in our **closed session**.
 - B. Vote to close the Meeting
 1. President Hagan-Martin
 2. Sen Maldonado



- C. Hello Everyone! Happy Monday, we currently have only two more Senate Meetings Nov 15th and Nov 29th, both meetings will be in-person. I want to encourage you all to continue practicing self care and taking care of your mental health during these next final weeks of the Fall Semester.
- D. Just a reminder, the Holiday Travel Guidance for COVID went out to the student body, PLEASE read over that email and fill out any forms given. Notify your constituencies as well about this information.
- E. We will be having a guest speaker coming in next week, Fatima for the State Assembly, they will be coming in to talk about getting student volunteers and fellowships for their campaign. This is an amazing opportunity to get involved with a political campaign. Please ask many questions when she is here next week! I would like to welcome our new Female ISC Rep Sydney, congrats for you coming onto the table! We will be doing the full inauguration process in our next meeting in person.
- F. Please let me know if you have any questions. That's all, Thank you so much!

VIII. Treasurer's Report - *Treasurer Estrada*

- A. Assisting clubs with questions, and managing Senate's budget.
- B. Helping with other miscellaneous tasks
- C. **ASWC Accounts:**
 - 1. **General Fund Balance:** \$28,473.03
 - 2. **Operational Account Balance:** \$15,091.25
 - 3. **Reserve Account Balance:** \$34,631.00
 - 4. **Allocated Thus Far:** \$126,015.68
 - 5. **First Readings:** \$0.00
 - 6. **Daily Calendar Considerations:** \$0.00

IX. Constituent Reports

- A. **Academic Affairs Chair: *Sen. Waldorf***
 - 1. The Mentorship Program changed its name to Poet Community Connections to avoid confusion with programs offered by CAAS. A notice was sent out to all those who signed up about this name change. All mentors were notified if they were offered a position or are an alternate. The deadline for them to accept/decline is midnight tonight. A mandatory training for mentors will be on Nov 11 at 5 in Villalobos. The first event will be on Nov 17, location TBD.
- B. **First-Year Class Council: *Sen Holoman***



1. The FCC is planning an event for first-year students to happen hopefully towards the end of the semester, but it will possibly be later.
2. More information will be given after our next meeting.

C. Commuter Representative: *Sen. Flores*

1. Christine reached out asking if I would like to revive the commuter student association so what I'll be doing first to get the word out about the revival is a commuter lunch type of event that will be to-go style. We are looking at Lascari's and to be posted outside of the spot on the 17th. There will be a quick survey and if they choose to fill out the form they can get entered into a raffle to win a basket.

D. Residential Hall Representative: *N/A*

- 1.

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

- 1.

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

1. This week I helped Senator Waldorf meet with CAAS to address the concerns they had about the mentorship program
 - a) we were able to resolve the issue and laid the foundation for collaboration in the future
2. For the State of the Senate, we are all collectively working to finish the details for the event
 - a) my task is to look into the snacks and help with any other decorations that we may need
3. I also attended a budget committee meeting and voted on two proposals

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

- 1.

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

1. Upper-class students have been asking about midnight breakfast and questioning whether we will be having it. If we are not having it they want to know why. Students are also very happy that the library is finally open until a decent time. Students also want updates on the covid regulations for return to campus so they are not fined and forced out of taking their finals. That is all for this week.

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

1. N/A

J. Diversity Council Representative: *Sen. Duenas*

1. What was done this week(11/01-11/05)



- a) DC clubs participated in Dia De Los Muertos event !
- b) Meeting with Francisco and Julie regarding Diverse Identities Week was today
- c) Helping other clubs with ems and engage(FRN and First Gen & Allies)

2. Upcoming activities/plans

- a) Our next meeting on Nov 12th will discuss the plans for Diverse Identities Week with the finalized dates
- b) Planning when our last DC meeting will take place
- c) Working on future spring semester plans!

3. 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) As of now, we have finalized the date of which Diverse Identities Week will take place: March 7th-11th

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. As we are bringing the year to a close in the next few weeks, we are having our final football game tomorrow with a food truck and games. We are also going to do an event with the boys and girls club.

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

Weber

1. We are going to do an event with the boys and girls club.

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

1.

X. Committee Reports

A. Administrative –*Vice President Brost*

1. Admin Committee met last week in person to discuss the following.
2. We met with the Academic Affairs Council to fix the Honor Society Bill. We decided to decrease the amount from \$100 to \$50 since societies get



\$150 already. This would give societies \$200 a semester, the same amount clubs get, This version will be presented on Monday.

3. We also started working on a timeline for ASWC Day. We were thinking of doing it in February, but that is still up in the air.
4. One of the Admin Committee Reps. has been working on the Secret Senate and will have the forms for Senators to fill out ready for a Monday we meet in person.
5. Lastly, Senators have expressed to me that they are not happy some Senators don't wear their polos during the meeting or they change out of them. So I will be sending a reminder through Slack about that as well as making an announcement about it on Monday.

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. E-sports Club was funded \$150 last week

C. Campus Relations- *Director Benn*

1. Working on State of the Senate:
 - a. Getting string lights to hang up around the campus courtyard. There will be food, games, decorations, etc.
 - b. Please send out the flyers and information to your constituents.
2. Campus relations meets Wednesdays at 1:30 pm
3. Questions:
 - a. Should the senators wear their polos at the event?
 - b. What time should senators show up?
 - c. When would you like to know if senators cannot attend?

D. Program Board – *Director Pena*

1. This week program board has our second movie night and tabled for the day of the dead Mecha event. Program board also provided their feedback for the covid testing after Thanksgiving break and will be relating that to an E-Board member on Monday.

E. Advocacy- *President Hagan-Martin*

1. We did not meet last week however, I met with Dr. Kay Sanders to talk about the Racial Justice and Equity Action Plan, currently they are in the works of connecting with departments across campus and to continue their work on the action plan itself, I will be connecting back with Dr.Sanders in early Spring to see if there are additional updates.



2. Campus Inn Update: there are going to be adding a grill station and also working on improving their menu. They have created a survey to send out to the student body so we will be emailing that out as soon as possible.
3. A fellow student, Shanti Nelson, approached Senate and wanted to share her survey about Creating a Culture of Consent Survey and Feedback with us to pass on so I will be sending the messaging in our Slack. Please make sure to send this to your constituents.
4. Lastly, Advocacy meets on Wednesday at 3:30pm on Zoom! Thank you all!

F. Elections- *Secretary Iseri*

1. We are still working on figuring out when our new meetings will be held.
2. By next week's meeting, we will have the timeline for the spring elections
3. One goal for the spring is to improve voter turnout and engagement next semester

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

1. Our tabling event is this upcoming Monday at 9 am
 - a. It should be in front of the SLC
 - b. we posted our flyers on Instagram and all-around campus
2. We finished the permanent flyer, but due to some issues with the mailroom and how the flyer was printed, we have to rework the design

H. Finance Committee- *Treasurer Estrada*

1. I am teaching people how to submit budget requests, and manage their budgets. Meeting with some treasurers one on ones

I. Environmental Committee- *Sen. Wainwright*

1. During the past week, my constituents and I have discussed ways in which we can improve the sustainability of the CI. The solutions we came up with are to offer the one-time-use plastic utensils when plates and good are given out, by telling the staff member which utensils you will use and they would then give you them as opposed to the packets that often get thrown away without use. Another solution that was discussed this past week was the option of returning to washable utensils and plates in the CI.

XI. First Readings

- A. N/A

XII. Miscellaneous Business

- A. Honor Society Bill (Second Reading): sent out to student body through email, all senators through slack, and is available on Engage. - Sen Waldorf and Sen Duenas



1. All updates can be found on Engage
2. When will this go into effect?
 - a) Depends on when the easiest time to do so is.
3. Vote on whether or not to approve the Honor Society Bill:
 - a) 9 votes in favor, the Bill passes unanimously

XIII. Announcements

- A. WCtheRock is doing a veterans appreciation video, and they asked me if I could have all of you submit a short video! Look at their page for more feedback.
- B. There is a blood drive next week, be sure to sign up for, \$10 gift card for signing up
- C. Sen Duenas: made the secret senate list for the holidays, more information will be sent out this week
- D. Director Pena: Program Board is a committee you can join. Please join if you are able to

XIV. Adjournment

- A. **Motioned By: Sen. Duenas**
- B. **Second By: Director Pena**
- C. **Time: 8:02 pm PST**

Respectfully Submitted by Zoe Iseri Secretary of the ASWC