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Meeting Minutes for October 29th, 2018

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

Quote: "The philosophers have only interpreted the world, in various ways. The point, however, is to change it." -Karl Marx

Read by Sen. Segura

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 President Manning

- IV. Roll Call Secretary Johnson
 - a. Present: President Manning, VP Monreal, Secretary Johnson, Director Reeder, Director Hernandez, Director Olague, Sen. Morales, Sen. Moya, Sen. Lindiwe, Sen. Tam, Sen. Joachim, Sen. Thomas, Sen. Kotoski, Sen. Britton, Sen. Segura, Sen. Benitez, Sen. O'Grady, Sen. Viteri, Sen. Sherman.
 - b. Absent excused: Representative Gelinas, Treasurer Delgado, Sen. Eccles
 - c. Unexcused: n/a
 - d. Quorum is set at 13.
- V. Minutes Amendment/Approval
 - a. Movement to amend the minutes by Dir. Hernandez

Seconded by Sen. Joachim

Section 7

Subsection 8

Bon Appetite - take out the E

Section 10
Subsection H
Letter A
Senator Kanoa - Lindiwe

- b. Approved by Sen. O'Grady
- c. Seconded by Sen. Segura

VI. Public Voice

a. Student, Maya - Wellness Coalition Poet Intern, from Counselling Center... Here to invite us to an event, helped fund the first phase of project to turn the counselling center patio into a serenity garden. The first phase was the mural that we funded. Would like to invite us to the unveiling on Thursday from 4-5pm on the Counselling Center patio.

VII. President's Message- President Manning

a. Hope everyone had a great and safe weekend. Just wanted to recognize the hard work that Director Reeder put in to designing and ordering these phenomenal shirts that we have. I am happy to have heard interest from some senators in chairing Student Feedback committee. I will be reaching out to them in the upcoming days to explain more of what the position entails. If you are interested in chairing that committee and have not reached out to me, please do so. We also still do not have a Residential Hall Representative so please have those students who are interested reach out to me. The application is still open. Finally, I wanted to recognize October's Senator of the month, Kole Joachim!

VIII. Treasurer's Report-Treasurer Delgado

a. General Fund Balance: \$78,550.44

b. Operational Account Balance: \$2,122.23

c. Reserve Account Balance: \$17,517.35

d. Allocated thus far: \$8,812.41

e. First readings: \$0.00

f. Daily Calendar Considerations: \$0.00

IX. Constituent Reports

- a. Academic Affairs Chair Sen. Morales
 - a. The representative has nothing to report.
- **b.** First Year Class Council n/a
- c. Commuter Representative Sen. Moya
 - a. The representative has nothing to report.
- **d.** Residential Hall Representative n/a
- e. Student Body Representative Sen. Tam
 - a. I've heard concerns about the water usage for the lawns around campus. I also want to know if there's a way to donate your swipes to commuters who do not have the money to afford food.
- **f.** Student Body Representative Sen. Thomas
 - a. Lots of complaints about the bathrooms in Turner, first floor specifically.

 The showers are not heating up properly and then going cold during the showers. The water pressure is also not good and makes it very difficult to

wash hair, etc. I think we definitely should talk to residential life and facilities about the problems.

- g. Student Body Representative Sen. Joachim
 - a.I met with Sarah Dudley from Facilities to discuss the menstrual care initiative going forward. Sarah Dudley has taken over the initiative from Director Estrella. I received an updated list of all restrooms the initiative will encompass. She is speaking with the head of housekeeping to get the initiative in place by the end of the week.
 - b.Sen. Joachim gave a synopsis of what the Initiative for Free Menstrual Care Products was when it was passed last academic year.
- **h.** Student Body Representative Sen. Lindiwe
 - a. The representative has nothing to report.
- i. Diversity Council Representative Sen. Kotoski
 - a.I have had constituents come to me about the first-floor bathroom in Turner. I believe that the men's and women's restrooms were switched and there is no proper way to dispose of feminine hygiene products.
 - 1. Sen. Joachim: The CA's that are in charge of that floor asked the students whether or not they would like the restrooms to be gender neutral/inclusive and if they are finding that it is not working out, it can be switched at the discretion of the CA's.
 - b.Tomorrow we will be conducting our regular meeting but with a twist... featuring voter fun facts and some imperative info on voting!! Join us from 4:30-5:30 in the OEI. Internal Chair D. Garcia is killing it and I am so grateful.
- j. Inter-Club Council Representative Sen. Britton
 - a. This week I met with the Physics Club and talked about distributing money as they work with the Math Club on campus in order to get their funding for the Star Party.
- k. Social Justice Coalition Representative Sen. Segura
 - a.JOIN THE MENTAL HEALTH ALLIANCE CLUB AT ITS FIRST CLUB MEETING ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25TH AT 4:30 PM IN SLC 311!
 - b.Come to learn more and discuss mental health in a safe atmosphere with your fellow peers! We plan to break the stigma around psychological illnesses through open acts of communication & education, as well as other great events that we prepared for the upcoming school year.
 - c. Please join us in advocating mental health awareness within our community and expanding the message of our club as a whole.
 - d.The next Social Justice Coalition Meeting will he held on November 15th at the Dezember House from 4:30-5:30pm. On November 28th, we will be showing the movie "Abajo la misma luna" at Club 88 from 5-7pm!

- **l.** Media Council Representative Sen. Benitez
 - a. The QC is taking the week off, so there will be no issue of the paper.
- m. Poet Student Athlete Leadership Academy Male Rep Sen. Eccles
 - a. Men's Soccer won 2-1 in an overtime win against Pomona-Pitzer last Wednesday but lost 2-3 to Caltech on Saturday.
 - b.Men's Football Lost to CMS 21-34 and play Redlands at home this Saturday 3rd at 5:00pm.
 - c.Men's Water Polo had wins against Caltech and La Verne but lost to Princeton 12-15. They play CMS this Wednesday at home at 7:00pm and Pomona-Pitzer away on Saturday 3rd.
 - d.Men's Cross Country placed 7th at the SCIAC Championships on Saturday.
- n. Poet Student Athlete Leadership Academy Female Rep Sen. O'Grady
 - a. Volleyball's regular season is now over with Mackenzie Thieme named 2nd team all-SCIAC. They lost to Claremont-m-s 3-1 and won on senior night against Redlands 3-0.
 - b.Soccer's regular season is over ending with a loss to Pomona 2-0 and a win on senior night against Caltech 1-0. The women cross country team came in 8th at the SCIAC Championships
 - c. The women golf team was ranked number 10 in division III national polls on October 19th. Their season will start up again in February.
- o. Inter-Society Council Male Rep Sen. Viteri
 - a. Orthogonians Rush November 17th
 - b.Palmers Fundraiser Blaze Pizza 10/30 5-9pm Rush November 10
 - c. Thalians have Rush November 17 1-7pm
- **p.** Inter-Society Council Female Rep Sen. Sherman
 - a. Athenian Rush November 9
 - b.Metaphonians Rush Nov. 4 9:02 am and a Chill'n Boba October 29. Calligraphy Recruitment Event on Nov. 1st @ 6pm in Club 88
 - c. Penns Rush Nov. 3rd 12pm, Pie a Penn November 15
 - d.Lancer Rush Nov. 10 9am

X. Committee Reports

- **a.** Administrative *Vice President Monreal*
 - a. We discussed the Residential Hall Representative Position, and whether or not a student living in Arbor Ridge may serve as the Residential Hall Rep. Administrative Committee Recommends Amending Article IX, Part B, Section 5 to add: d. "Be a Residential Student"
- **b.** Budget *Treasurer Delgado*
 - a. The committee has nothing to report, as the chair was not present.
- c. Campus Relations Director Reeder

- a. The committee has nothing to report. The committee went out to breakfast in order to recognize the hard work of the Senators.
- **d.** Elections Secretary Johnson
 - a.I had a few first-year students reach out to me about FCC elections. I responded to their emails and gave them the necessary information and will continue to be in conversation with them.
- e. Program Board Directors Olague and Hernandez
 - a. Last week we partnered with First Year Programs to have a pumpkin carving event. We had an excellent turnout with over 90 guests in attendance. On Thursday, we took 100 students to Halloween Horror Nights. We are hoping to have another theme park excursion this year. Tomorrow we are partnering WCTheRock to watch Halloween at the Starlight Cinema in Uptown at 7pm. Bring your Whittier ID for admission. We are excited to announce our upcoming Aura Event on November 7th. Come out to get your Aura colors read! Photos and frames will be available to decorate and take home! Keep up with us on Instagram and Twitter @programboard we!
- **f.** Advocacy *President Manning*
 - a. We did not meet last week, but we will be meeting with representatives next week about the Food Pantry.
- **g.** Culinary Sen. Eccles
 - a. The committee has nothing to report.
- **h.** Student Feedback n/a
- i. Student Finance Treasurer Delgado
 - a. The committee has nothing to report as the chair was not present.
- **j.** Environmental *Representative Gelinas*
 - a. The committee has nothing to report as the chair was not present.

XI. First Readings

a. There were no first readings.

XII. Daily Calendar Considerations

a. There were no daily calendar considerations.

XIII. Miscellaneous Business

- a. Residential Hall Representative Amendment First reading:
 - a. Article IX, Part B, Section 5
 - b.Residential Hall Representative add the language "Be a Residential Student"
 - c. VP Monreal: We discussed the language in the description, as it does not state that the Res. Hall Rep. needs to be a residential student. As it states on the WC website, a residential student is someone who lives on campus or in the Arbor Ridge apartments. It is similar to that of

the Commuter Representative as it states that the representative needs to be a commuter student.

- d.Sen. Joachim: Would it be possible to add Oct. 2018 to the previous revision dates.
- e. VP Monreal: Yes. Thank you.

b. GPA Amendment - Second Reading:

- a. Article IX
- b. Section A, Subsection 9: Change 2.3 to 2.5 GPA
- c. Section C, Subsection 1: Change 2.3 to 2.5 GPA, & Executive Board to GPA 2.7

XIV. Announcements

Sen. Segura discussed the election in Brazil and how alarming his election is. He is a far-right political figure that is against minority communities, and the rise of fascism globally is becoming extremely alarming.

Director Hernandez - this weekend is daylight savings time so you'll get an extra hour of sleep on Sunday!

Sen. Lindiwe - Can we just go around and say everyone's names so I can get to know everyone.

XV. Adjournment

- **a.** Sen. Moya motions to adjourn the meeting.
- **b.** Sen. O'Grady seconds the motion with no objections.
- c. Meeting adjourned at 8:01PM

Respectfully Submitted by Sam Johnson, Secretary of the ASWC