



## ASWU Meeting Minutes 10/5/2016

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Meeting was brought to order at 5:01pm in the AWSU Assembly Chambers

Mission Statement read by Mike

Motion to approve 9/28/16 minutes by Christina, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ivan, approval unanimous

### 1. Guest Speaker - Office of Church Engagement

Kathryn Hendrix - First off we offer a summer fellowship program every year. Applications are open now. If you know of any students who are interested, please let them know they can start filling out those applications now. This is a 10-12 week summer ministry program. Students should apply if ministry is something they might explore after college. It includes a \$3,000 stipend to cover costs. Those participating would be mentored all summer long. The purpose of this fellowship should not be viewed like a traditional internship. Last year, Luke worked in Alaska. He did a lot of fishing and hiking and worked a lot with high school students. It was great. If anybody is interested, please contact herself or Terri.

Terri Mccongial- The first 2 years of this program, we sent out 92 students. Total the amount of money that has assisted students this far has reached over \$300,000. They had students all over the country the last few years, and many international. There was one student who was working in a chocolate bar in downtown Seattle for example. The office is sending 6 students internationally this coming summer. They are working on a grant to send a total of 90 students international in the years 2018-2020. The office currently has about 75 different possibilities of different sites or locations to attend.

Kathryn Hendrix - They are bringing multiple people over the next 9 months from other countries to share their experiences. Musa, came last week from Kenya. 8 more speakers throughout the year will be joining us. She will be passing out a flyer with the dates and info.

Terri Mccongial - We don't even know the names of most of the people coming from these other countries, because they would become in danger if it was on the internet. Another thing the office is putting together is the Gospel Conference which falls on the weekend of Fall Break. This conference will take place for the next 3 years. This year the theme is Gospel and Racism. Of course racism plays out in a variety of ways. National leaders will join us here on campus to share their perspective. The conference will start Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> in the Hub. We will sit around and share. The conference goes all day Friday, and Saturday. The conference will feature several speakers and guests who are advocates around the nation. The Gospel Conference will give students and community members the resources to educate themselves on a topic which is very important in today's society. The conference will then move downtown to the Holy Temple Church of God in Christ in downtown Spokane. They would love to have students involved. If anyone wants to volunteer for the conference, please reach out to him. The Gospel Conference will be held October 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>. It will cost \$10 for the admission.

### 2. Club Updates

#### a. Gospel Choir

Kyla - The Gospel Choir has been rehearsing for about 3 weeks. They currently have about 12 members. First performance will take place on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at a local church. They will be performing at 9am.

Jeff - If people want to join, is it too late?

Kyla - No, if people want to join, the choir has rehearsal every Saturday 11am-12:30pm in the chapel.

b. Off the Page

Hannah - Off the Page has been around for a couple years. They are looking into doing the lines over pine event again this year. Also they are planning an open mic, poetry slam night. Off the Page is looking to do other events throughout the year. We are inviting writers and speakers to attend these events. The club and events provide a way for students to explore themes of writing as an art form. The club will accept members all the time. Please contact her with any questions or interest in joining.

3. Homecoming Updates

Rachel - Homecoming is this weekend! I have got everything pretty much figured out at this point. I need people to help with Security at the dance. The job would be to walk around and look for weird things happening at the dance. If there were any issues, you would report those to the campus security person in attendance.

Camina - Are you aloud to dance and have fun while working as security?

Rachel and Dayna - Yes, just keep an eye out for things happening.

Rachel - Also a huge thank you to everyone who came this last weekend to help on decorations. We created a ton of golden pinecones, and if anybody has creative ideas to hang these pine cones at the dance, I will gladly accept those ideas. The banners look really good, great job everyone. Do you want to know the winners for that? In 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Boppell, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Duvall, 1<sup>st</sup> Place - Stewart. Everyone else, the float is the time for revenge. If you feel inclined to share the homecoming video, please do.

Breanna - Actually everyone is a part of ASWU, and you should all share it tonight please. Make sure to share the one from ASWU's Facebook so that one gets publicity.

4. Financial Vice President

Jeff - You should have all got my email on this last week's requisitions. We will need to take a vote on my requisition for the proposed transfer of \$3,000 from Capital to Unallocated. To make sure everyone is aware of the difference; Capital is for long term projects (lasting for more than 5 years), and Unallocated is for short term projects (events, treats, etc.) The situation at hand is we now is we have \$18,700 in Capital, and \$1,494 in Unallocated. The goal with this transfer is to make these funds accessible to students. A quick note, the Capital account has a reserved \$5,000 for emergency, so knowing this that leaves \$13,700 currently in Capital. Most of the funds that we see requisitions for, come from the Unallocated account. Any questions for me?

Norma - Was there a specific reason for the amount of \$3,000 to be chosen?

Jeff - I just thought that would be a safe number to transfer based off of last year's numbers.

Christina - How much did we spend in unallocated last year?

Jeff - I am not sure on the exact number.

Breanna - I believe it was around \$2,000-\$3,000.

Jeff - That sounds about right.

Breanna - Is there any limit on the amount of money we can transfer?

Jeff - No, but if we request a transfer over \$5,000, we must collect a student body vote.

Alex M. - How is the budget determined for each account?

Jeff - It really depends on the student enrollment numbers. Every student pays an ASWU fee, and it just depends how many students we have that determines the amount of money we have access to.

Norma - Hypothetically, what would happen if we don't pass the transfer?

Jeff - It would limit the amount of money that the finance committee is able to grant for requisitions. For example, we had a requisition this last week from the theme houses to put on a Halloween Block Party. They requisitioned for a total of \$500. If the committee granted that amount, without the transfer, the Unallocated account would be under \$1,000 which would limit ASWU and our abilities.

Christina - Is it (Unallocated account) so low because of the addition of representative hours?

Jeff - Yes

Breanna - We will now ask Jeff to step out. Any time a requisition is made, the person who filled it must step out while the vote takes place.

- Jeff Steps Out -

Norma - Any more discussion before we vote?

Christina - Is there any need not to pass this?

General consensus was no there is no reason not to pass this transfer.

Mae - Did this go to finance committee first or straight to here?

Breanna - It went to the finance committee first, which they recommended that we pass. It takes an assembly majority vote to pass any transfer.

Breanna - Any other questions? Motions?

*Jordan motions for the transfer of \$3,000 from Capital to Unallocated, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mae, approval unanimous.*

5. Executive Vice President

Norma - Just 2 short announcements. Congratulations to all the representatives on your positions. We collected a total 662 votes in the General Election, which had a lot better participation than the Primaries. We also didn't have any technical issues during the General Election. That is very exciting. The SEC (Student Election Committee) and I dealt with a grievance over the weekend, but it has been taken care of. Thank you to all the SEC Members for your help.

6. President

Breanna - ASWU Survey Results have been tallied and I have compiled all of the data in charts for you guys. This is a really good way for us to accountable and create conversations around these results.

*Please reference Attachment A for official results.*

Breanna - Senators this is something you could advertise. Questions or thoughts on results?

Bailey - The survey results showed a big interest for concerts. Just for everyone's information, most of the time repeat concerts do not work out. This is because when the artists come the first time they are not very popular, but when we want them to come back they are a lot more expensive because they are now more famous.

Jordan - Have you thought about getting a big name and having people pay for tickets?

Bailey - If we wanted someone big name, for example I worked out some numbers before and we would have to make them pay about \$50 per person with 500 students, even with my funds subsidizing it. Bowling for soup is the highest survey result right now for who students want to see.

Mae - How many people have responded?

Bailey - Over 500 students have voted.

Breanna - Also another thing, ASWU is the first to take over the new Whitworth University Snapchat Account. We are going to post a video of the meeting, let's come up with a great idea?

- Assembly Records Snapchat -

## 7. Reports & Vibes

Camina - Tomorrow the Black Student Union is hosting the event "Closing the gap between police and the community" at 6pm in the HUB ABC. Also, Olmeca is coming to campus on October 13<sup>th</sup>. His lecture will be at 6pm, with a concert to follow at 8pm, both in the MPR.

Michaela - At the tailgate party this Saturday, there will be a photo booth put on by Natsihi. Any students who take their photo here, will be able to access their photo online afterwards.

Breanna - (to Michaela) A couple seniors are wondering if they can send in their senior photos late?

Michaela - The deadline is set, and our due date is in November. We won't be able to accept very many late submissions. Have seniors email her, and they can figure it out.

Luke - Tailgate Party this Saturday will be free with booty club shirt. \$1 without. Looking for help to sell shirts this Friday from 12pm-1pm. If you can help, please find him.

Norma - How many have you sold?

Luke - Around 100 have been sold. Lots of mediums and smalls left. We will receive another shipment tomorrow (Thursday).

Bailey - The concert on Friday is supposed to be outside, but it's cold. Can I get a quick vote to see what your opinions are on if we should have it inside no matter what, or try for outside depending on weather?

Assembly discussed the pros and cons of each.

Bailey - We have decided to do it outside. If the tent doesn't work as a venue, it will be inside.

Peter & Karlin - Current issue is out. As you can tell the editors are putting together the paper. If you want to voice your opinion and/or know of any students who would want to write, please come talk to them. The other thing, they are starting to encourage students to use hashtag #thatwhitworthlife. If students use the hashtag, their picture could be featured in the Whitworthian.

Rachel - Everyone pray for good weather this weekend. Dayna and I talked and we are doing all the events, rain or shine. Some events might be moved, but most will stay in the same venue. If anyone is in a club, please encourage them make a float. If you have a club float and win the best float, your club will get an ice cream party.

Mike - There will be an informational meeting for theology majors and minors tomorrow night in the ASWU Chambers at 6pm. Also on October 10<sup>th</sup> Baldwin Jenkins is hosting a Hosanna Price Time; they want it to be a campus wide event, so please encourage others to attend.

Jordan - On Halloween night, we will be putting on an event in the triangle (grass in front of Whitworth Church). There will be food trucks, candy, and possibly bouncy houses. 6pm-8pm.

Emily - Residents have expressed mixed feelings about the dance outside being outside. Also the Resident Assistants did not want to talk about Green Dot to their residents. They expressed they didn't think it was their place, or they weren't properly trained.

Breanna - We thought this was a way to partner with everyone to keep everyone safe that night. Senators always have the opportunity to call meetings, so you could always do that.

Jordan - This is a very serious topic, so it would be a better option to make it mandatory to get more people in attendance.

The idea was brought up that maybe it could be incorporated into an existing PrimeTime.

Several members voiced concern for doing it during a PrimeTime.

Breanna - I will send an email to the RD's for the idea and thoughts behind the meeting, so that it hopefully clears some things up. Senators please choose the best way to do it in your individual communities. The point is not to scare anyone, just to educate.

Rachel - I still need 3 more people to help sign up for security at the dance from 10pm-11pm. Any volunteers?

A few more people volunteered.

Elisha - This weekend we hosting a climbing festival (Ubergripping). If you come you have the opportunity to win some prizes, and gift cards. This is an awesome opportunity. It is \$12 to participate.

Whitney - Please send me your green pledges if you have not already done so. This is the survey which will qualify ASWU to become green certified. I really need these as soon as possible. It only takes about 10 minutes to complete. One week from today, the Urban Agriculture Discussion will be in the Robinson Teaching Theater at 6pm. There will be free food.

Breanna - Next week the Board of Trustees is coming to campus. If you are sitting on a committee please dress in business attire, be early and take good notes. You will need to report back to the assembly.

Norma - I met with Rosetta and we came up with ideas to promote to the Student Services committee. We are looking for ideas about what are the general consensus of the views of the students, to provide to the committee as data.

Several members gave feedback to Norma.

#### 8. Recognitions & Shoutouts

Breanna - You guys are blowing me away. This team is so amazing and I am proud of you all. This weekend is going to be a lot of work, but I know we are going to do great. Thank you all.

Rachel - Thank you for everyone with the help for Homecoming.

Dayna - Thank you for all the Senators and Representatives for taking notes during the meetings.

Whitney - Shout out to Bre for getting the survey results tallied.

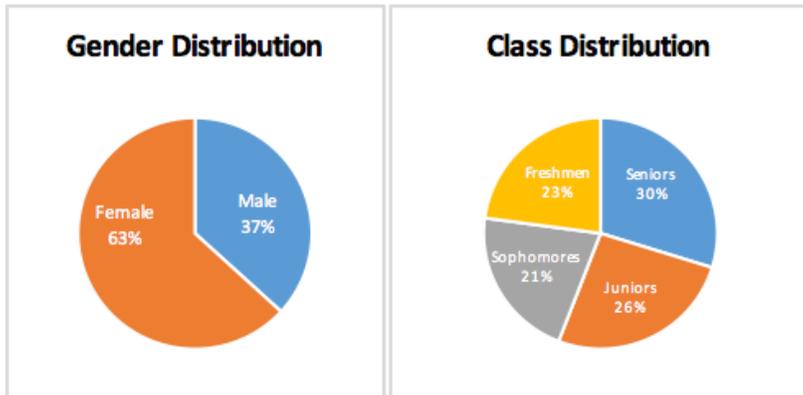
Christina - Shout to Norma for all of her work for the elections and dealing with grievances.

Motion to close meeting at 6:23pm by Josh, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mae, approval unanimous.

# ASWU Survey Results

Conducted on 9/14/16

## Demographics

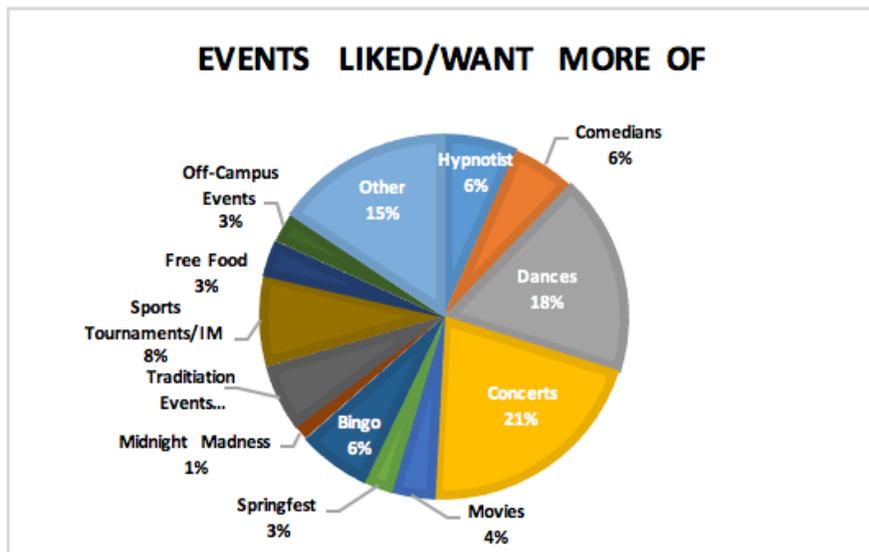


Males: 381  
 Females: 654

Freshmen (2020): 215  
 Sophomore (2019): 200  
 Junior (2018): 245  
 Senior (2017): 280

**Question 1:** One of the primary functions of ASWU is to put on events such as dances, comedians, concerts, speakers, trivia, intramurals, tournaments. Etc.

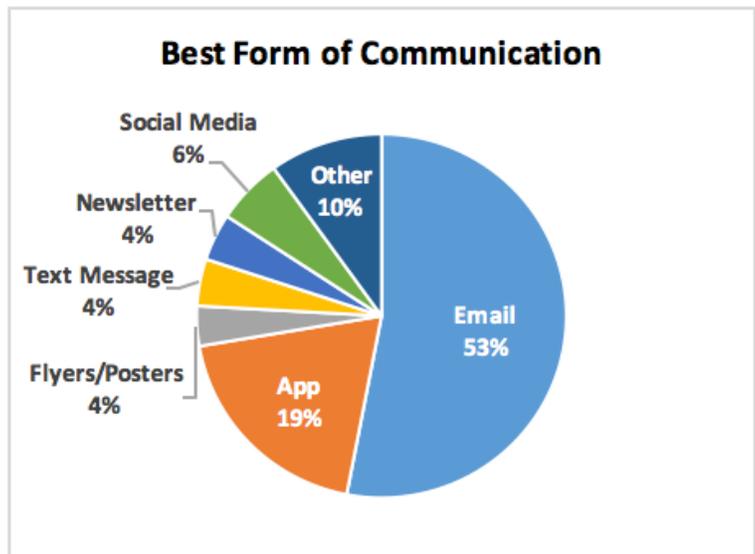
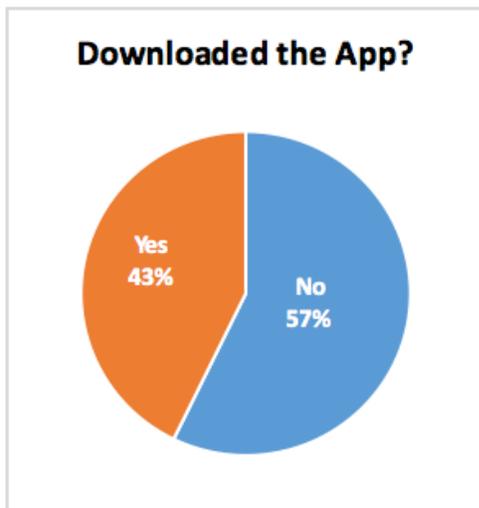
- a. What events are you looking forward to or have like this year, and what ones do you want to see?



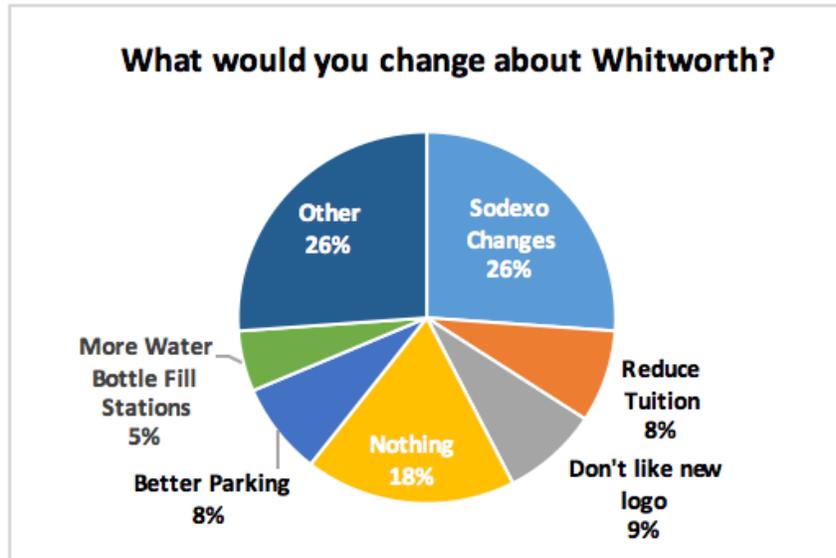
Other includes: mentalist, magic shows, petting zoo/puppies, pool party, ice skating, trivia, karaoke, joint dorm events, casino, Unplugged, multicultural events, bonfire/smores, all tied up, etc.

Attachment A

**Question 2:** What is the best way for ASWU to communicate with you? Have you downloaded the ASWU App?

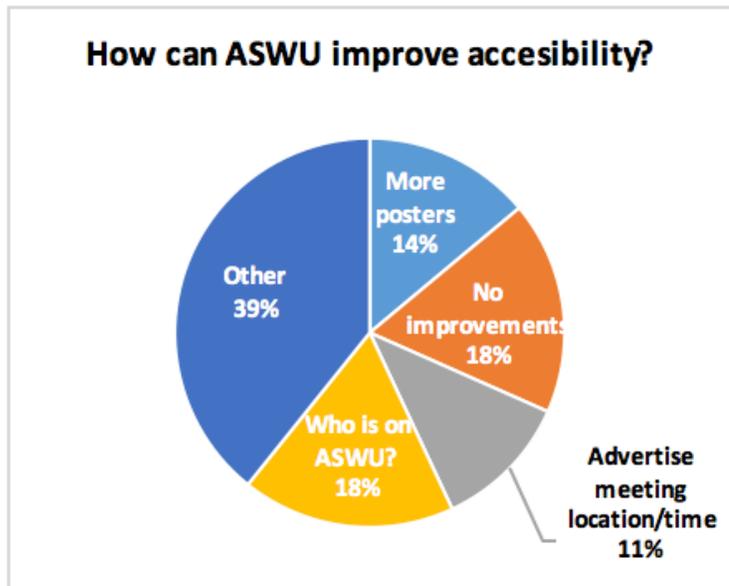
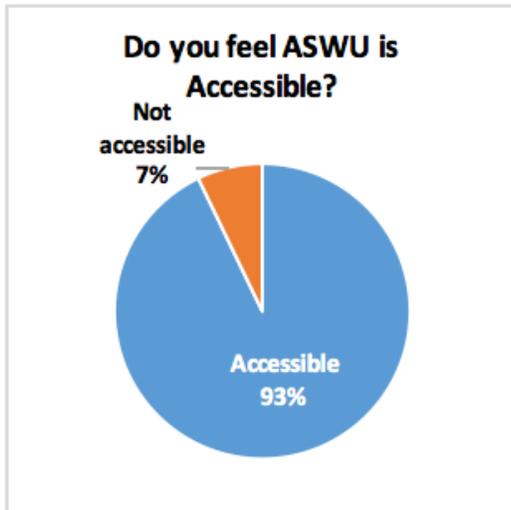


**Question 3:** If you had the opportunity to change an aspect of Whitworth, what would it be? How could ASWU participate in that process?



Other includes: get to know other grades, connect dorms, more excitement at sporting events, more printing money, lower AP requirement for credit, faster work orders, improve diversity relations, making Whitworth budget available/transparent, etc.

Question 4: Do you feel as though ASWU is accessible to students? How can we improve?



Other includes: follow up after complaint is filed, don't know all the positions or what they do, more newsletters, email, etc.

\*A small portion of those responding to the survey gave a suggestion on how ASWU could improve accessibility