**ASWCC Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

Date: February 5th, 2024

Location: Syre 108

* Alaina Hirsch – ASWCC President, chair

**Voting members**

* Mariam Mohd – ASWCC Executive VP
* Krystan Andreason – ASWCC VP for Campus Advocacy
* Bella Nguyen – ASWCC VP for Operations, minutes taker

**Meeting called to order at 3:02 pm**

**Welcome, Land Acknowledgement and Pronoun Statement**

**Approval of meeting minutes**

* Mariam moved to approve the meeting minutes – Krystan seconded
* Unanimous vote to approve the meeting minutes

**Approval of agenda**

* Bella moved to approve the agenda – Mariam seconded
* Unanimous vote to approve the agenda

**Old Business**

**Engagement**

Club Report - Written report submitted by Matthew Valencia – ASWCC VP for Clubs, read by Alaina Hirsch – ASWCC President

* See document attached

**Advocacy**

Social Justice Committee Report – Krystan Andreason – ASWCC VP for Campus Advocacy

* Reminder about the next meeting on 2/13, at 9:30 am in Syre 216
* The committee has decided on the theme of the Students Leading Change Conference, which will be “Sense of Belonging”. Will continue discussing about planning for the SLCC, Safe Zone project and gender inclusive bathrooms place planning request

Health and Wellness Committee Report – Krystan Andreason – ASWCC VP for Campus Advocacy

* Reminder about the next meeting the following day, 2/6, at 9:30 am in Syre 216
* On 2/14, there will be a Cookies, Condoms and Consent event at 12 pm in Syre Auditorium

ASWCC President’s Report – Alaina Hirsch – ASWCC President

a. VPI Student Forum

* There are going to be 2 Vice President for Instruction Student Forum, on 2/12 and 2/13 both from 2-2:45 pm, the location is yet to be determined. Students can ask the VPI finalists questions regarding their interest about the position

b. S&A Fee Committee

* The committee will meet every Thursday in Syre 216 from 1:30-2:30 pm. The committee will go over a brief S&A Fee training and overview and make budget allocation to different departments

c. Advocacy Day Recap

* Four Executive Board members and three senators attended Advocacy Day, an opportunity that allows students to visit the capital and meet the representatives who are working on legislation affecting students, here are the individuals that the ASWCC Student Leaders got to meet with
* Senator Sharon Shewmake discussion
* Housing Affordability
* Regulatory Barriers in the housing market
* Means of advocating for student housing accessibility using existing legislation
* Wealth gap versus wage gap and the role of increased financial aid assistance
* Exigency of environmental issues in legislative advocacy
* Representative Joe Timmons
* Housing Affordability and Accessibility
* Textbook Affordability and Transparency in Pricing
* Student Homelessness
* Representative Debra Lekanoff
* Housing Affordability and Accessibility
* Means of advocating for student housing accessibility using existing legislation
* Increased financial aid assistance for students
* The ASWCC Student Leaders also attend the following open public committee
* Housing
* Capital Budget
* Education

**Legacy**

Bylaws Review Committee Report – Bella Nguyen – ASWCC VP for Operations

* The committee is meeting every Wednesday, from 4-5 pm in Syre 216. Is going over the Draft Bylaws that Senate approved last year, any possible amendments and changes can be discussed and considered during the meeting. After the new draft is done, it will be taken to the Senate and Board of Trustees for approval

Advisory Report – No

**Governance Committee Reports**

SEM Committee – Hang Phan – Student Life and Engagement Specialist

* Disadvantages in enrollment
* Economic, some students choose to be in the workforce rather than pursue higher education
* Demographic changes, struggle to attain diverse student body
* Other institution competition, work to differentiate WCC from 4-year colleges, boost online programs promotion
* Fraudulent, increasing fraud application for admission and financial aid
* Targeted marketing – Establishing WCC values and top reasons of why choosing the college
* Post links on WCC webpage
* Starfish instruction for students
* Market online programs and internship opportunities
* Generate WCC students’ community interest using event calendars
* Extend networking with community resources
* Enrollment management
* Increase the application rate by 15% of Running Start, 15% International, 40% Highschool
* Make sure students are supported by high school and college advisors, knowing which classes they are taking for each quarter
* Retention equity
* Create a diverse and connected culture campus
* Increase financial aid application
* Applied research
* CRM (Customer Relationship Management) implementation to trach students’ life cycle of application to graduation
* Improve RFI responses, survey, and operation

**Meeting adjourned at 3:26 pm**

# Matthew Valencia Status Report for VP for Clubs to be Read for Executive Board and Senate Meetings

I will provide weekly updates for meetings. Assistance in presenting the report would be appreciated. Thank you.

# Senate Meeting 2/12/2024

**Agenda Amendment:** I am proposing to remove the Funding Request for the Cardinal Leadership Summit Conference due to securing additional funding from alternative sources. Thank you

Hello everyone, I hope this report finds you well, as of right now I am in Physics class, but I would most definitely rather be at the Senate meeting you are gathered here today. Anyways, my name is Matthew Valencia, I use he/him pronouns and I am the ASWCC Vice President of Clubs at Whatcom Community College, and I am pleased to provide an update on the club activities for the Winter Quarter.

# Fully Active and Chartered Clubs for Winter Quarter:

* ASWCC Badminton Club
* ASWCC Japanese Club
* ASWCC Sustainable Oriented Students (S.O.S Club)
* ASWCC Campus Christian Fellowship (CCF)
* ASWCC Volleyball Club
* ASWCC Astronomy Club (New Club)
* ASWCC Native and Indigenous Student Association (NISA) (New Club)

# Clubs in Progress:

* Philosophy Club
  + I recently trained Advisor
* Women In Cybersecurity (WiCys)
  + In contact with students for training

**Projects I am working on:**

There is an **InterClub Council Meeting** on February 15th Thursday at 9 am where Clubs will be able to all meet in one gathered place and make decisions based on what is being presented, such as the Club Showcase, the Funding request made by Sustainable Oriented Students, Budgets, and more.

**Cardinal Leadership Summit Conference on March 2nd Saturday:** I have secured funds to send Club presidents and interested students for a day of leadership development, complete with lunch and snacks. This initiative stemmed from the President's Retreat idea.

**Club Training Revamp:** A project that I am really passionate about is working on a Club Training video and quiz system that I will create to streamline the Club training needed to complete Club Chartering. I am excited to roll out this initiative in the Spring Quarter, aiming to enhance the club chartering process and overall club experience.

If you have any other questions about Club Activities please let me know, thank you for your time and enjoy the rest of the meeting. Matthew Valencia