

# WKU Student Government Association

Meeting Minutes  
October 20<sup>nd</sup>

## Opening

The regular meeting of the WKU Student Government Association was called to order at 5:00 pm on October 20<sup>th</sup> via Zoom by Speaker of the Senate Shelby Robertson.

## Present

34 Senators were present when the Senate was called to order.

## Approval of Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

## Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

## Officer Reports

### President Garrett Edmonds:

- Working on setting up a meeting with Provost Stevens to discuss P/F option for this semester.
- Nominated Isaac Keller for the position of AVP.
  - Been on Judicial Council for four years and as also served as Chief Justice.
  - Senator Mayo asked a question concerning budget rules.
    - Keller discussed his knowledge of managing a budget in the past.
  - Senator McCoun asked about reshaping the process surrounding organizational aid.
  - Senator Welch gave a speech in favor saying he prioritizes the organization and cares about inclusion and efficiency within the organization.
  - **Appointment passes with a vote of 29:1:1.**
- Nominated Roderick Maul as a Senator.
  - Senator Mayo asked for clarification of the specificity of the position.
    - President Edmonds clarified it was a Senator-at-Large seat.
  - Senator Taylor gave a speech in favor emphasizing how much he cares about students, specifically within the ISEC community and the average student on the campus. Also is a doctoral student who can assist those in the organization and on campus.

- Senator Yaro also gave a speech in favor talking about his interactions with students from a variety of backgrounds.
- **Appointment passes unanimously.**
- Nominated Tess Welch for Academic and Student Affairs Committee Chair.
  - Stressed the importance of scholarship grading, specifically the impact their decisions can have on students' education.
  - AVP Keller gave a speech in favor discussing how much Senator Welch cares about SGA.
  - **Appointment passes with a vote of 29:1.**
- Took record of which Senators would like to serve on certain university committees; unanimous consent for all appointments to these committees.

Executive Vice President Abbey Norvell:

- Sent out a Google Form with an application to Faculty Senate:  
[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdm4RMhLKq1oZUWHpjJmdenCiph4EhegKvTVvb74hgtvKUG-w/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdm4RMhLKq1oZUWHpjJmdenCiph4EhegKvTVvb74hgtvKUG-w/viewform?usp=sf_link)

Administrative Vice President Issac Keller:

- Asked those interested to reach out about organizational aid.

Chief of Staff Matt Barr:

- Talked about a transition from polo shirts to t-shirts for SGA.
  - Decided to finalize the decision next week.
- Asked senators to read over the bill that would be discussed next week.

Public Relations Ashlynn Evans:

- Has been in contact with PR chair about tabling in DSU.
- Having technical difficulties creating an SGA Facebook page.
- Asked senators to continue pushing scholarship graphics.

DAC Kody Okert:

- Also asked senators to advertise the SGA scholarships to have more applicants.
- Asked senators interested in grading to reach out.

Director of IT Paul Brosky:

- Legislative page has been updated, asked senators to verify the accuracy.
- Talked about feature allowing meetings between senators and the executive branch.

Speaker of the Senate Shelby Robertson:

- Has finished assigning senate committees and announced the respective members of each.
- Working on having more student speakers coming to SGA meetings.
- Wants to see legislation progress within committees soon.
- Discussed creation of ad hoc committee for outreach with Senator Craighead as the chair of the committee.
  - Senator Craighead worked over the summer on the campus DEI committee. She also emphasized how this committee would allow the organization to be a voice for students.
  - Senator McCoun asked if the EVP would have a presence on the committee because campus outreach is included in the EVP duties.
    - EVP Norvell affirmed she would serve on the committee.
  - **Committee is formed with a vote of 29:2:1.**

Secretary of the Senate Jamison Moorehead:

- Reminded Senators to send an excuse if they can't make it to a meeting and to make sure they fulfill their office hours when assigned.

## **Committee Reports**

Academic and Student Affairs Committee Head Tess Welch:

Campus Improvements Committee Head Eric Berry:

- Talked about the safety walk in the spring as well as discussing campus improvement with Matt Barr.

LRC Committee Head Dawson McCoun:

- Looking over by-laws to make sure the Senate is operating within those guidelines.

Public Relations Committee Head Destinee Daughtery:

- Talked about looking over logistics of tabling.

Diversity and Inclusion Committee Head Fatin Yaro:

- Working on aspects of improving diversity on campus after meeting with committee members.

Sustainability Committee Head Matthew Winiger:

- Meeting with the Office of Sustainability and working to create project outlines for sustainability issues.

SAVES Committee Head Kat Howard:

- Excited to discuss potential issues with committee members.

## **Special Reports**

University Committee Reports:

Judicial Council Reports:

Guest/Student Speakers:

## **Unfinished Business**

## **New Business**

## **Announcements**

## **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:38pm by Speaker of the Senate Shelby Robertson.