

WKU Student Government Association

Meeting Minutes
November 12th

Opening

The regular meeting of the WKU Student Government Association was called to order at 5:00pm on November 12th in Downing Student Union by Speaker of the Senate Nathan Terrell.

Present

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 Will Harris:

- Dr. Schulte spoke about the implementation about the 10-year Strategic Plan for WKU. The website was recently updated. The plan focuses on the Hill, the Students, the Community and Beyond. Dr. Schulte is asking SGA if they have any suggestions for the strategic plan, to contact him. He stresses the importance of student involvement in making improvements to the Strategic Plan.
- There are two applications for CASA and both applicants will be interviewed soon, and a nomination will be made

Executive Vice President Garrett Edmonds:

- Watch the SGA email for information on the food drive

Administrative Vice President Kenan Mujkanovic

- OrgAid approved funding for 5 organizations today, and there is a bill on New Business for approval next week

Chief of Staff Aubrey Kelley

- The Student Publications Committee chose Rebekah Alvey as the new editor-in-chief for the WKU Herald

Public Relations Ashlynn Evans

- Scholarships are due Friday, be sure to post the graphic

DAC Abbey Norvell

- Scholarships are due Friday and encourage people to apply, and if anyone is interested in grading scholarships please talk to Abbey!

IT Director Brosky

Speaker of the Senate Terrell

- Get Office Hours

Secretary of the Senate Mathews

Unfinished Business

Academic and Student Affairs Committee Head

Campus Improvements Committee Head Matt Barr

LRC Committee Head Josh Zaczek

Public Relations Committee Head Brigid Stakelum

Diversity and Inclusion Committee Head Symone Whalin

Sustainability Committee Head Jillian Kenney

- There is an organization of another Climate Strike December 6th – another student walkout

SAVES Committee Head Hope Wells

Committee Reports

University Committee

- Research conference in the Spring will be transparent about their professional background and there will be no keynote

Judicial Council

Guest/Student Speakers

- Jay Wells spoke about the formation of a labor committee within SGA with Will Harris and an ad-hoc committee will be formed next semester as a trial period to test the sustainability of the committee. Also, the student walkout for the Sunrise Movement will be December 6th. The Student Walkout is a national strike and they are asking students to walk out of class at noon on December 6th in order to protest the lack of policy to impede climate change. Jay is asking for 10 SGA senators to partake in the walkout of class, work, or to attend the protest. Please contact Jay Wells if you are interested!

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business

New Business

Bill 7-19-F: A Bill to Establish an Honor Society Membership Fund

Bill 6-9-F: Organizational Aid Funding for Western Kentucky University WiSE, Jump Rope Club, HonorsToppers, and Queer Student Union.

Announcements

- Senator Ricketts announced that a group of students from Dynamic Leadership Institute are taking donations of menstrual products for Project Eve, products can be taken to the Student Activities office until the 16th! Also, NSLS is making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for the homeless.

Adjournment

Motion made by Senator Matt Barr to adjourn the meeting; second by Senator MJ Mayo.

Meeting was adjourned at by Speaker of the Senate Nathan Terrell at 5:24pm.