

WKU Student Government Association

Meeting Minutes

February 11th

Opening

The regular meeting of the WKU Student Government Association was called to order at 5:00pm on February 11th in Downing Student Union by Speaker of the Senate Nathan Terrell.

Present

24 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:

- Apologizes that there are no nominations for tonight's meeting for senator appointments. There has been a high amount of interest – enough to require interview before nominating. They will be nominated on the floor and senators will be able to question the nominee prior to the vote.
- March 3rd is the Rally for Higher Education. It is highly encouraged for senators to come and represent WKU alongside Dr. Caboni to lobby for the institution's needs during this time of budget restraints. This is an excused absence from class. There will be a google sheet sent out to get general information from students interested in attending the Rally for Higher Education. Reach out if you have any questions to Will or Garrett.
- The board of student body presidents met to discuss the Rally for Higher Education
- There is a search for the vice president of student enrollment and experience on campus. This is a vital role for our campus and there will be an open forum Monday and Tuesday in DSU auditorium at 1:30pm.

Executive Vice President Garrett Edmonds:

- Reached out to the government liaison from the university to schedule meetings with priority senators at the Rally for Higher Education. If you are interested in

going, be sure to bring 2 forms of photo identification in order to ensure smooth transition through security.

- If you have any questions about Bill 2-20-S please let Garrett know

Administrative Vice President Kenan Mujkanovic

Chief of Staff Aubrey Kelley

- Ordered more receipt books to order more vouchers
- Ordered more blue books and scantrons
- There are now mailboxes for the executive board outside their offices

Public Relations Ashlynn Evans

- SGA will be tabling Wednesdays and Fridays in DSU

DAC Abby Norvell

- Encourage people to apply for scholarships!

IT Director Brosky

Speaker of the Senate Terrell

- Be involved in committees to create legislation

Secretary of the Senate Mathews

- Sign up for office hours before leaving today. Hours will be enforced beginning next week!

Committee Reports

Academic and Student Affairs Committee Head Matthew Jones

- Within the committee they have decided to promote scholarships so encourage people to apply

Campus Improvements Committee Head Matt Barr

- There is no set date for the Safety Walk, will keep the body updated

LRC Committee Head Josh Zaczek

- Committee meeting after

- There is a lot of money left to spend. There is a great opportunity to create legislation and if you're not sure where to start ask LRC

Public Relations Committee Head Brigid Stakelum

- Tabling will begin next week Wednesdays and Fridays 12:30-2:30
- If you have any questions about an idea of legislation that you would like the student body's opinion on, let Brigid know

Diversity and Inclusion Committee Head Symone Whalin

- Meeting after SGA meeting dismisses

Sustainability Committee Head

SAVES Committee Head

Special Reports

University Committee Reports

Judicial Council Reports

Guest/Student Speakers

Unfinished Business

Bill 1-20-S. Funding for the "Go with the Flow" Program.

- Senator Matt Barr spoke in favor of the bill as sponsor. A change within the bill from past years is an increase in funding as the need for the menstrual products is so high. There is also an increase in restrooms where the products will be placed and inclusion of gender-neutral restrooms as well. The funding will be to buy supplies for the program.
 - o Senator Symone Whalin offers a friendly amendment to increase funding to \$1,300
 - Accepted as friendly by Senator Matt Barr as sponsor
- Moved into voting
 - o Passes with a vote of 24-0-0

New Business

Bill 2-20-S. Funding for the Glasgow Regional Campus to host a professional development etiquette dinner for their students.

Announcements

Senator Stakelum: meeting with PR after

EVP Garrett Edmonds: hammock space for the freshman village area utilizing the special projects fund. Reach out if you have any questions about the project for the hammock area.

Harris: special projects fund is looking for opinions from SGA on the special projects fund. Survance suggested to bring in someone from the administration to discuss the special projects fund. Harris responded with many people who are receptive to the idea of the hammock fund to come in and speak with the body. Zaczek asked about the idea of a “hammock area.” Harris responded with the basic concept of stands for those to hang hammocks on without harming the trees on campus.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5:23pm by Speaker of the Senate Nathan Terrell.