

# WKU Student Government Association

Meeting Minutes

February 18th

## Opening

The regular meeting of the WKU Student Government Association was called to order at 5:00pm on February 18th in Downing Student Union by Speaker of the Senate Nathan Terrell.

## Present

25 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:

- Sorry for the absence, they are currently in the final stages for finding the VP of student enrollment and experience and students voice is important for this role
- Currently have 10 people signed up for the Rally for Higher Education, would like 30. Be sure to use the google form if you're interested!
- Next Tuesdays we will have nominations for empty senator positions
- Names will be sent out next week in advance, reach out to Will if you have any questions

Executive Vice President Garrett Edmonds:

- Ignore the new business as it has not gone through LRC prior to the first read which is an amendment in the constitution which has not been updated on the SGA website
- Will be meeting with JC about making changes to the constitution on the SGA website

Administrative Vice President Kenan Mujkanovic

- Had successful organizational aid meeting today. We've only used about 45% of the budget. Encourage senators to write legislation to use the money

Chief of Staff Aubrey Kelley

Public Relations Ashlynn Evans

- Graphic for the Rally for Higher Education has been made
- Senator of the week has now been changed to SGA Spotlight. Senator MJ Mayo has received the SGA Spotlight due to her work with food insecurity! Congratulations Senator MJ Mayo!

DAC Abby Norvell

- Encourage everyone to apply for scholarships

IT Director Brosky

Speaker of the Senate Terrell

- Will work on sending amendments
- Committee chair meeting after SGA next week
- Encouraging once more to write legislation! Reach out to Nathan if you have any questions

Secretary of the Senate Mathews

- Do your office hours!

**Unfinished Business**

Academic and Student Affairs Committee Head Matthew Johnson

- Keep encouraging people to apply for scholarships

Campus Improvements Committee Head Matt Barr

- Safety walk this year will be a safety panel instead. Administrators will be available to answers questions

LRC Committee Head Josh Zaczek

- Legislation needs to come to LRC prior to first read based on 5.2.2 amendment
- Write legislation! Yay!

Public Relations Committee Head Brigid Stakelum

- We have our first tabling tomorrow in DSU 12-3, senators are encouraged to join for part of the time or the whole time!
- Tabling is a great way to discover if your legislation is accepted by students on campus

#### Diversity and Inclusion Committee Head Symone Whalin

- There's a pamphlet in the works

#### Sustainability Committee Head

#### SAVES Committee Head

### **Special Reports**

#### University Committee Reports

#### Judicial Council Reports

#### Guest/Student Speakers

### **Unfinished Business**

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

- EVP Garrett Edmonds spoke in favor of the bill as a sponsor. This is a bill SGA in the past has sponsored for our satellite campus. This is a great opportunity for their students to learn from the experience of
- Senator Mayo asked if the campus was putting on the dinner
- EVP Edmonds said the campus is hosting the event but he assumes it will be catered
- Mayo followed up by asking if the funds will be for food
- Edmonds replied yes to reduce ticket price
- Senator Survance asked if the event was open to all students
- Edmonds stated that the event is open to all students
- Senator Hounshell asked if the funding had to be in the title of the bill
- Speaker Terrell and LRC Chair Zaczek stated that traditionally it is, but not require per the bylaws
- Moved into voting
  - o Passed unanimously

### **New Business**

### **Announcements**

Speaker Terrell: Working with student activities for a new voting system

EVP Edmonds: walk a mile in her shoes is March 6<sup>th</sup> benefitting Hope Harbor. Looking to work with the SAVES committee for sponsorship of the event. Also looking to sponsor a group of men to participate in the event as well. Senator Survance spoke against the support of the event from SGA.

Senator Whalin: the Black Excellence Expositions will be February 27<sup>th</sup> in FAC recital hall at 7pm

Senator Stakelum: if you or anyone you know if interested in taking part of the student research exposition the deadline is approaching. If you know any professors that would like to judge

Senator Robertson: Dance Big Red is asking if SGA would like to sponsor a family during the night of the event

### **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 5:22pm by Speaker of the Senate Nathan Terrell.