

WKU Student Government Association

Meeting Minutes
October 27, 2020

Opening

The regular meeting of the WKU Student Government Association was called to order at 5:00 pm on October 27, 2020 via Zoom by Speaker of the Senate Shelby Robertson.

Present

31 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:

- Informed the Senate of his quarantine and urged everyone to stay in contact remotely.
- COVID task force meeting met concerning P/D/F option for students this semester.
- Provost search committee is going well so far.
- Working to push legislation within the state SGA board.

Executive Vice President Abbey Norvell:

- Appointed MJ Mayo, Kody Okert, and Shelby Robertson to faculty senate.
 - Appointees were unanimously confirmed.

Administrative Vice President Issac Keller:

- Nominated Garrett Baum, Natalie Kelley, Olivia Dawson, Matt Thomas, Kyle Phillips, Avery Wells, and Troy Davis for Organizational Aid Board.
- Nominees were confirmed unanimously.
- Budget has been updated on the SGA website, with a more specific breakdown of each area.

Chief of Staff Matt Barr:

- Majority of SGA agreed on t-shirts, design coming shortly.

Public Relations Ashlynn Evans:

- PR committee has finalized tabling dates, with the first date being November 11th.
- Urged senate to continue to push scholarship graphics.

DAC Kody Okert:

- 17 days until scholarships are due, continue pushing scholarship applicants.

Director of IT Paul Brosky:

- Legislative archive has been updated with Spring '20 legislation.

Speaker of the Senate Shelby Robertson:

- Continue sending bills to appropriately use SGA resources.
- Is meeting with committee heads about potential legislation ideas.

Secretary of the Senate Jamison Moorehead:

- Reminder to send an excuse if you can't make a Senate meeting.

Committee Reports

Academic and Student Affairs Committee Head Tess Welch:

- Meeting with DAC about creating a scholarship grading committee.
- Bringing a resolution to the Senate next week.

Campus Improvements Committee Head Eric Berry:

- Also working on resolution.
- Meeting regarding campus safety walk.

LRC Committee Head Dawson McCoun:

- Asked senators to keep sending in bills so they can be confirmed as far as constitutionality is concerned.
- Working on making sure bylaws are clear and available.

Public Relations Committee Head Destinee Daughtery:

- First date for tabling is November 11th.
- Working on ordering PR materials within the coming week.

Diversity and Inclusion Committee Head Fatin Yaro:

- Met with different resources on campus, meeting with DEI committee tomorrow.
- Identifying areas where growth is needed on campus.

Sustainability Committee Head Matthew Winiger:

- Sustainability committee has an established time.
- Met with Office of Sustainability on Friday about different ideas for this semester.

SAVES Committee Head Kat Howard:

- Worked on ideas with committee for this semester.

Special Reports

University Committee Reports:

Judicial Council Reports:

- Met on Friday to vote Erika Puhakka as Chief Justice, Senate unanimously confirmed her appointment, and President Edmonds swore her in to office.

Guest/Student Speakers:

Unfinished Business

Bill 1-20-F

- Old logos are outdated, and the red towel iconography is now only used on an athletics level.
- New logos replacing main signs outside SGA suite and behind reception desk, in both hallways outside the chambers, and within the conference room.
- Changing logo will help SGA fit in with the university's unified branding plan.
- Showed examples of new signage, subject to final university approval.
- Old SGA photo will be taken down, still no decision on what will replace it.
- Overall cost is \$2334.45, executive is paying \$1334.45, and the Senate is being asked to pay the other \$1000.
- Senator Welch pointed out a cost discrepancy of \$110 in the bill.
- Senator McCoun clarified that what will be replacing the picture is going to be left for another bill.

- **Bill passes with a vote of 28:2.**

New Business

Announcements

- President Edmonds urged everyone to get a flu shot, there will be a tent providing free flu shots on campus tomorrow, location is in Centennial Mall.
- Senator McCoun announced that the Potter College Fall Festival will be moved to next Wednesday due to inclement weather.
- Senator Phillips urged everyone to vote in this upcoming election, Lyft code for those who need rides to the polls is “**VOTEEARLY2020**”.
 - ***Next week’s meeting has been cancelled in order to allow everyone to vote with no hindrances.***
- Graduate, dual-enrollment, and regional campus students are eligible for scholarships.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5:52pm by Speaker of the Senate Shelby Robertson.