**Senate Meeting Minutes**

Seventh Meeting of the Twenty-First Senate – Tuesday, 5 October 2021

Before the meeting was called to order, the Director of Parking and Transportation Services and Assistant Vice President of Business Services, Dr. Jennifer Tougas spoke to SGA about her role. Dr. Tougas outlined services available to students through PTS and discussed future plans for the WKU Bookstore and traffic at the top of the hill. SGA members offered input regarding textbook formats and costs, as well as potential changes in parking permit options. Dr. Tougas can be contacted via email at [*jennifer.tougas@wku.edu*](mailto:jennifer.tougas@wku.edu)*.*

1. **Call to Order**
   1. The meeting was called to order at 5:33 PM.
2. **Roll Call**
   1. Roll was called, 31 senators were in attendance.
3. **Approval of Minutes**
   1. The previous meeting’s minutes were approved with unanimous consent.
4. **Officer Reports**
   1. President Matthew Wininger
      1. Had several meetings last week to continue pushing SGA initiatives and goals
      2. Dr. Sunnygard: Chai Chats on Thursdays in which International students and faculty showcase a coffee or tea-making ceremony of their local culture; next one this Thursday 10/7/21 at 3:30 PM
      3. Jacob Skillman will be serving as the male student representative on the University Athletic Committee
   2. Executive Vice President Me’Lon Craighead
      1. Please reach out if you would like to serve on Faculty Senate, nominations will be made next week
         1. Reference spreadsheet sent out via email for dates, times, and descriptions of committees
   3. Administrative Vice President Reed Breunig
      1. Please reach out about serving on Organizational Aid Committee, need at least 4 more
   4. Director of Public Relations Alexis Courtenay
      1. Will be making committee buttons and graphics, will be coming to committee meetings next week (and frequently) to keep up to date on initiatives
      2. Please keep reposting graphics
      3. If you were not at Hilltop Hangout, come by office to get button
      4. First tabling today (SMHW Committee) very successful, please reach out if you would like to table
   5. Director of Information Technology Jamison Moorehead
      1. Thank you committee heads for sending updated descriptions
      2. Please look at the website Senate page and make sure info is correct
   6. Speaker of the Senate Tess Welch
      1. Making progress in setting up electronic voting system
      2. Meeting with the Provost on Friday 10/8/21 to discuss advisor evaluations and lack of faculty Title IX training
      3. One more spot open this semester for guest speakers (11/23/21), thank you for suggesting speakers, please be respectful and attentive to speakers
      4. Come visit Speaker Welch for ideas/input and candy
      5. Turn in office hours for September at SGA Desk
      6. Flu shots now available at campus Graves Gilbert Clinic
   7. Secretary of the Senate Elizabeth DeLozier
      1. If serving as senate committee secretary, please reach out
      2. Committee Heads: please establish committee secretary this week if not already decided
5. **Committee Reports**
   1. Legislative Operations – Addison McCoun
      1. Legislation deadline: Wednesday at 5:00 PM (the week before desired first read)
   2. Enrollment and Student Experience – Shelby Robertson
      1. Reworking bill for rural scholarship
      2. Coordinating with GGC to bring flu vaccine clinic to campus
      3. Working on getting printers for residence halls and free teeth cleaning for students
      4. Meetings on Tuesday at 4:00 PM in SGA Office
   3. Outreach and Student Experience – Calleigh Powell
      1. Meetings Tuesday after Senate Meetings
      2. Working on campus-wide weekly event calendar, please attend RSO events
      3. Sleep Out for Homelessness and can drive 10/7/21 at 6:00 PM on South Lawn
   4. Campus Improvements and Sustainability – Zachary Skillman
      1. WKU Recycling procedure outlined on website
   5. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion – Olivia Blackmon
      1. Sen. Banales working on ASL accommodations with SARC
      2. Committee will be present at BG Pride, please reach out in interested in attending
   6. Student Mental Health and Wellbeing – Alex Cissell
      1. First tabling for Domestic Violence Awareness Month with Counseling Center went well
      2. Working on wellness days, Title IX training for SGA, getting in touch with Dr. Crowe and Lindsey Houchin to begin work on GSL Suicide Prevention Grant
6. **Special Orders**
   1. Judicial Council Report – Chief Justice Holden Schroeder
      1. Judicial Council (JC) held hearing to evaluate unexcused absences of Senator A. Wells
         1. JC has issued sanction against Sen. A. Wells
         2. JC has called on Senate to begin impeachment and removal of Sen. A. Wells
         3. Proceedings begin with written endorsement signed by 20% of the Senate
         4. Speaker Welch read aloud written endorsement and explained impeachment procedure
      2. There is currently an open Associate Justice position, please contact Chief Justice Schroeder or President Wininger if you know someone who is interested
   2. Senator of the Month – Speaker Welch
      1. Congratulations to the September Senator of the Month Garrison Reed
7. **Old Business**
   1. Bill 2-21-F. A Bill to Support the Constitution that Does Not Allow the Speaker of the Senate to Have a Vote
      1. Bill was introduced by Sens. Feck and Cissell
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate.
         1. Two speeches in affirmation and two speeches in negation were made.
      3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      4. Bill 2-21-F was passed by the Senate.
   2. Bill 3-21-F. A Bill to Amend the Student Government Association Bylaws
      1. Bill was introduced by Sen. Baum
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate.
      3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      4. Bill 3-21-F was passed by the Senate with unanimous consent.
   3. Bill 4-21-F. Amending the Student Government Association Bylaws
      1. Bill was introduced by Sen. Pierce
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate.
      3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      4. Bill 4-21-F was passed by the Senate with unanimous consent.
   4. Resolution 1-21-F. Resolution to Support a Semesterly Advising Evaluation System
      1. Resolution introduced by Sen. Banales
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate.
         1. One speech in affirmation and one speech in negation were made.
         2. Sen. Maul motioned to table voting on Resolution 1-21-F. Motion was seconded. Roll call voting. Motion failed.
         3. One speech in affirmation was made.
      3. Sen. Robertson called the previous question.
         1. One speech in affirmation and one speech in negation were made in favor of continuing debate.
         2. Roll call voting. Motion passed.
      4. Resolution 1-21-F was passed by the Senate.
8. **Announcements**
   1. Sen. Reed
      1. Working on introducing scholarships to be available at each college’s job fair, please reach out if interested
9. **Adjournment**
   1. Sen. Baum moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded.
   2. The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 PM.