**Senate Meeting Minutes**

Thirteenth Meeting of the Twenty-First Senate – Tuesday, 16 November 2021

Before the meeting was called to order, Dr. Corrine Murphy spoke to the members of SGA about her role as Dean of the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences. She detailed the goals of the college in increasing retention, especially among first-generation students, and discussed the disciplines overseen by the college: mental and behavioral health, education, leadership, and military. Dr. Murphy encouraged SGA to consider developing a mentorship program and encouraging greater first-year involvement. Dr. Murphy can be reached at [corrine.murphy@wku.edu](mailto:corrine.murphy@wku.edu). Her office is located in Gary Ransdell Hall 2046.

1. **Call to Order**
   1. Meeting called to order at 5:37 PM.
2. **Roll Call**
   1. Roll was called, thirty-four senators were present.
3. **Approval of Minutes**
   1. The previous week’s minutes were unanimously approved.
4. **Officer Reports**
   1. Executive Vice President Me’Lon Craighead
      1. University Restaurant Group Committee being formed.
      2. EVP Craighead nominated Sen. Banales to the DEI Workgourp.
         1. Banales spoke on his desire to serve on the workgroup.
         2. Time was allowed for questions and debate. One speech in affirmation was given.
         3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
         4. Appointment unanimously confirmed.
      3. EVP Craighead nominated Sen. Johnson to the University Restaurant Group Committee.
         1. Johnson spoke on her desire to serve on the committee.
         2. Time was allowed for questions and debate. One speech in affirmation was given.
         3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
         4. Appointment unanimously confirmed.
      4. EVP Craighead nominated Sen. Kurtz to serve on the University Restaurant Group Committee.
         1. Kurtz spoke on his desire to serve on the committee.
         2. Time was allowed for questions and debate. One speech in affirmation was given.
         3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
         4. Appointment unanimously confirmed.
      5. Please reach out if interested in serving as an alternate or would like to attend committee meetings
   2. Administrative Vice President Reed Breunig
      1. Met with Budget Executive Committee (BEC)
         1. Will be presenting suggested 2022-2023 budget to Board of Regents
         2. University working on improved transparency
         3. Reach out if interested in budget
      2. Please encourage RSOs to complete Org Aid application
   3. Director of Public Relations Alexis Courtenay
      1. CAB holiday party 12/2/21 6:00-9:00 PM in DSU Night Class
         1. Please attend or volunteer to help out
   4. Director of Information Technology Jamison Moorehead
      1. Legislative archive and minutes have been updated
      2. Will be meeting with committee heads before the end of the semester
   5. Director of Enrollment and Student Experience Tribhuwan Singh
      1. 124 scholarship applicants
      2. $10,000 in budget for 40 scholarships
      3. Will reach out about help grading
   6. Speaker of the Senate Tess Welch
      1. Senate will be meeting next week 11/23/21
      2. October office hours due by Friday 11/19/2/21 or will be sent to JC
      3. If absent or late to meeting, fill out excuse form on website
      4. Will be receiving a university-wide email about academic advising, please complete survey
      5. Committee heads will be meeting together 11/30/21, please send in collaborative ideas
      6. Congrats to Jamison and Holden on their Mock Trial awards!
   7. Secretary of the Senate Elizabeth DeLozier
      1. Please send in revisions to minutes
5. **Committee Reports**
   1. Legislative Operations – Addison McCoun
      1. Weekly Meeting: Wednesday at 5:30 PM
      2. Legislative authorship workshop at next meeting (11/17/21)
      3. Please keep sending in legislation and come sit in on meetings
   2. Enrollment and Student Experience – Shelby Robertson
      1. Weekly Meeting: Tuesday at 4:00 PM
      2. Will be working on grading scholarships
      3. Excited to make rural scholarship available
      4. Idea to pursue opening advising “case” with departments
      5. Student input requested for textbook initiative, discussing options
   3. Outreach and Student Experience – Calleigh Powell
      1. Weekly Meeting: Tuesday at 4:00 PM
      2. Thanks to all those who have been tabling!
      3. Tabling etiquette:
         1. Do: wear polos, facilitate conversations, educate about committees, resources, website, and initiatives
         2. Don’t: be on your phone, talk just to people you know, act uninterested, be afraid to answer questions
      4. Working with Destiny Smith on Spring RSO Fair sponsorship
      5. Working with Student Mental Health and Wellbeing on Wellness Wednesday the week before finals, voting on bill tonight
      6. Thank you to everyone who tabled with/for the Campus Improvements and Sustainability Committee
      7. Tabling hours: Tuesday 1:00-2:00 PM
   4. Campus Improvements and Sustainability – Zachary Skillman
      1. Weekly Meeting: Tuesday at 4:00 PM
      2. Thank you to everyone who came out to tabling
         1. Working with Courtney Martin on another event in February
      3. Sending out survey about potential Diddle Clean-Up with GreenToppers and Horticulture Club on 1/27/22
   5. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion – Olivia Blackmon
      1. Weekly Meeting: Thursday at 5:30 PM
      2. Thanks to Sens. Pierce and Banales for putting in work order for broken ADA buttons in DSU which have been fixed
      3. Met with Zach Ryle about Honors scholarship – application live and bill up for first read next week (11/23/21)
      4. Voting on Resolution 4-21-F today
      5. Sen. Douglas collaborating with ISEC on Black History Month activities
   6. Student Mental Health and Wellbeing – Alex Cissell
      1. Weekly Meeting: Monday at 5:00 PM
      2. Continuing to work on Mental Health Awareness Week, National Suicide Prevention Grant, Wellness Wednesday, and You Matter Campaign
      3. Reach out with any ideas
   7. All committee meetings held in DSU 2045
6. **Special Orders**
   1. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee – Julie Mishchuk
      1. Discussed over 30 new proposed classes
   2. Senator of the Month – Tess Welch
      1. Nominations will open next week, voting the week after.
7. **Unfinished Business**
   1. Resolution 3-21-F. Resolution to Support the Student Loan Borrower Bill of Rights
      1. Presented by Sen. Glaser.
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate. Four speeches in affirmation and two speeches in negation were made.
      3. Sen. Feck moved to table the resolution.
      4. Motion passed. Resolution 3-21-F tabled.
   2. Bill 13-21-F. Funding for a Wellness Wednesday Event
      1. Presented by Sens. Feck and Romanov.
      2. Time was allowed for questions.
      3. Sen. Reed moved to amend the bill. Taken as friendly.
      4. Time was allowed for questions and debate. Two speeches in affirmation were given.
      5. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      6. Bill 13-21-F passed.
   3. Resolution 4-21-F. Resolution to Support the Addition of a Map of All-Gender Bathrooms to the iWKU App
      1. Presented by Sen. Srivastava.
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate. One speech in affirmation was made.
      3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      4. Resolution 4-21-F passed.
   4. Resolution 5-21-F. Resolution to Honor the Memory of C. Peter Mahurin
      1. Presented by Sen. McCoun.
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate. Two speeches in affirmation were given.
      3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      4. Resolution 5-21-F passed.
8. **New Business**
   1. Resolution 6-21-F. Resolution to Support the Inclusion of Students in Mandatory Title IX Training
   2. Resolution 7-21-F. Resolution to Support Critical Race Theory
9. **Announcements**
   1. Sen. Bornefeld moved to cancel the next senate meeting (11/23/21).
      1. Time was allowed for debate. Four speeches in affirmation and two speeches in negation were made.
      2. Sen. Robertson called the previous question.
         1. Time was allowed for debate.
         2. Motion passed.
      3. Motion failed.
   2. Legislation needs to include where funding is coming from, talk to Exec first to limit spending
   3. Spirit Masters Meet and Greet 11/17/21 at 7:00
   4. Please review relevant information for Resolution 3-21-F
   5. Finish Title IX training if you haven’t already
   6. Fill out course evaluations
   7. Greek Chili Cookoff Thursday (11/18/21) 4:00-6:00 in DSU
   8. KYCEC CrockPot Cookoff 11/19/21 6:30 PM in Gary Ransdell Hall
   9. Guthrie internship application open <https://guthrie.house.gov/>
   10. Sen. Douglas moved to make the next senate meeting (11/23/21) completely remote.
       1. Time was allowed for debate.
       2. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
       3. Motion passed.
10. **Adjournment**
    1. Sen. Baum moved to adjourn. Seconded.
    2. Meeting adjourned at 6:59 PM.