

SGA Senate Meeting Minutes

- The fifth meeting of the fifteenth Senate was called to order by Nathan Cherry at 5:01 on September 27th, 2016.
- The minutes from the last Senate meeting were approved by unanimous consent.
- **Guest Speaker- Melanie Evans, Coordinator for Sexual Assault Services and Student Conduct:** The Office of Student Conduct focuses on ensuring that students and students' guests practice civility. The Office of Student Conduct works to enforce Title IX and address issues such as, hazing, sexual misconduct, harassment, stalking, dating violence, domestic violence, and sexual exploitation. If you are aware of something that shouldn't be happening on campus, contact The Office of Student Conduct, the WKU Police, or any University faculty or staff member.
- Francisco Serrano is sworn in as a Senator by Chief Justice, Cody Cox.
- **President- Jay Todd Richey:** Had a meeting with the Counseling and Testing Center about the incidents of bedsheets. There will possibly be a new committee created working with the Counseling and Testing Center to end sexual violence, end suicide and self harm, and expand mental health resources. If you are interested in the WKU Renaissance Program, contact Zach Jones. The Home Away from Home event is on Thursday from 5:00-8:30 in the HCIC. The Unity Walk is Thursday at 6:30 in Centennial Mall. There is a Black Lives Matter Vigil on Thursday from 7:30-8:30 at the Warren County Justice Building. Encourages senators to write legislation.
- **Executive Vice President- Kate Hart:** Check your email for University Committee updates. Will be reaching out to the regional campuses.
- **Administrative Vice President- Hannah Neeper:** Organizational Aid starts this week. Interviews will take place from 5:30-6:45 on Thursdays in the SGA Conference room. Will be meeting with three senators a week to discuss legislation ideas.
- **Chief of Staff- James Line:** Has been in contact with HRL and the department heads to work on voter registration. The Voting Registration Task Force is reaching out to professors to give presentations about registering to vote. After October 11th, the task force will be working on Get Out the Vote efforts.
- **Director of Public Relations- Murphy Burke:** If you are on the Public Relations Committee, meet with Murphy after the meeting to discuss tabling.

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- **Director of Academic and Student Affairs- Josh Knight:** The Earn-A-Computer applications have been verified, and will be awarded starting next week. The study abroad application has been updated.
- **Director of Information and Technology- Abhishek Bose:** A translate button has been added to the SGA website, as well as a Report It button that goes to the Office of Student Conduct.
- **Speaker of the Senate- Nathan Cherry:** Be sure to attend senate committee meetings. Senators can join more than one committee, but must attend the committee assigned. Pick up your senator binder and folder after the meeting.
- **Secretary of the Senate- Kara Lowry:** If you are absent from a meeting, fill out the Senate excuse form on the website so that I can count it as an excused absence.
- **Academic Affairs- Amy Wyer:** As soon as scholarship applications start coming in, the committee will start grading them.
- **Campus Improvements- Zach Jones:** If you want to help with the Renaissance Program, contact Zach. Working on the bike-able map for campus. Working on accessibility issues on campus.
- **Legislative Research- Brian Anderson:** Looking into a resolution to encourage tenure for IT professionals on campus. Working on having professors add Office of Student Conduct information on syllabi.
- **Public Relations- Alex Sergent:** No report.
- **Student Affairs- Emily Houston:** The applications received for the Earn-A-Computer program have been verified and the students should be able to be awarded at next week's meeting. The study abroad application has been updated and posted. The due date is October 31st and are going to start being graded as soon as they start coming in. If you are on Student Affairs, see Emily after the meeting.
- **MyCampusToo- Michael Shelton:** The next MyCampusToo meeting is Wednesday at 7:15 in the Senate chambers.
- **Sustainability- Savannah Molyneaux:** Visiting Dr. North's class to talk about the committee. Partnering with the Residence's Hall Sustainability committee. Waiting on the return spot for the reusable containers in Fresh. If you would like to help with the Sustainability committee, contact Savannah. Campus Sustainability Day is October 26th.

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- **University Committee Reports- Lucas Knight:** Bowling Green Fairness Committee- If you are interested in LGBT issues in Bowling Green, contact Lucas.
- **Judicial Council Report- Cody Cox:** Judicial Council is meeting Wednesday at 6:30. Will be comparing constitutions from other SGA's from around the state. If you have any recommendations for changes to the Election Codes, contact Cody.
- **Student Speaker- Sam Moore:** Proposes having HIV testing year-round on campus, not necessarily free every time, but still increasing free testing.
- **Student Speaker- Nick Conrad:** Will be informing senator about the snow removal map in the future. ISEC had their grand opening today.
- **Student Speaker- President Jay Todd Richey:** If you are interested in helping Sam with having more free HIV testing, contact Sam. If you are interested in being the committee chair for the pending committee working with the Counseling and Testing Center, contact Jay Todd.
- **Student Speaker- Fransisco Serrano:** The Saudi Arabian club is having an event downstairs.
- **Student Speaker- Savannah Molyneaux:** If you are interested in joining English Club, contact Savannah.
- **Student Speaker- Amy Wyer:** Encourages senators to wear pink tomorrow in honor of Stephanie Campbell. There will also be a vigil held in front of the Alpha Gamma Delta house Wednesday at 7:30.
- **Unfinished Business:**
 - **Bill 7-16-F**
 - Bill 7-16-F was approved by unanimous consent.
 - The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 6:34 pm.