

SGA Senate Meeting Minutes

- The ninth meeting of the sixteenth Senate was called to order by Ryan Richardson at 5:00 pm on October 31st, 2017.
- In honor of the Student Activities initiative to “mix it up at lunch,” tonight senators are sitting next to a senator they have not talked to before.
- The minutes from the last Senate meeting were approved by unanimous consent.
- **President – Andi Dahmer:** If senators know anyone who wants to apply for appointment, encourage them to do so, applications will be processed on a rolling basis. It is the duty of senators to understand the constitution and bylaws. If you need advice on legislation, be sure to meet with the executive cabinet. Professionalism is encouraged during senator office hours. If you don't have anything to do you during office hours are encouraged to do homework or grade scholarships. Senators are reminded to only applaud for bills that have passed and not those that have failed.
- **Executive Vice President – Savannah Molyneaux:** Budget council is now meeting three times a week. If you have input on anything, let Savannah know. The Frankfort trip is still scheduled to be on February 6th. If there are any legislators you want to meet with, let Savannah know so she can schedule those meetings.
- **Administrative Vice President – Kara Lowry:** The organizational aid application and award process is clarified.
- **Chief of Staff – Connor Hounshell:** No report.
- **Director of Public Relations – Amy Wyer:** Amy thanks all of those who helped out with the tailgate last weekend, it was a very successful event. She hopes to continue the tradition.
- **Director of Academic and Student Affairs (DASA) – Emily Houston:** Today is the deadline for scholarships and they will be graded shortly.
- **Director of Information Technology – Smita Peter:** No report.
- **Speaker of the Senate – Ryan Richardson:** An overview of the enforcement of Robert's Rules is given. Ryan encourages senators to review the rules themselves

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as well to ensure they are familiar with them. Professionalism of senators is encouraged both in senate and in the SGA office. Committee reassignments are underway because committees have become uneven, with some having more senators than others. If you have a laptop be sure to bring it to senate to view the agenda. The agendas are intended for guests and not senators.

- **Secretary of the Senate – Asha McWilliams:** Make sure you are getting your office hours, if you have any question about office hours be sure to ask Asha. They are currently working on getting office hours uploaded to the SGA website.
- **Academic and Student Affairs – Ashley Cox:** The scholarship deadline is tonight, if you want to help grade scholarships, contact Ashley or Emily. Grading scholarships in the SGA office will count toward your office hour.
- **Campus Improvements – Garrett Edmonds:** There will be no meeting after senate because of the holiday.
- **Legislative Research – Lillian Nellans:** The pieces of legislation that we will be voting on tonight have all been cleared by Legislative Research. They will be meeting after senate.
- **Public Relations – William Hurst:** There was no tabling this week. If any senators want student opinion on their legislation, contact William. Everyone who helped with the tailgate is thanked again.
- **Diversity and Inclusion – Divya Gangavelli:** The resource fair is November 14th from 10am-1pm in DSU.
- **Sustainability – Ian Hamilton:** The No Shave November Best Beard Contest begins tomorrow. The Earth Day Festival for April 19th, 2018 is already being planned.
- **SGA SAVES – Ashlyn Jones:** There will be a brief meeting after tonight's meeting.
- **University Committee Report (Bowling Green Fairness – Lucas Knight):** Bowling Green Fairness. They will be meeting Monday at 6:30 in Cherry Hall. They will be evaluating the Pride Festival.
- **Judicial Council Report – Annalicia Carlson:** They met last night, if you have any questions about the meeting, contact Annalicia.
- **Guest Speaker – Steven Hoyng (Aramark):** Subway Bates is in the top 25 of all Subway's in the nation.

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- **Student Speaker – Juan Zamora:** He is here on behalf of HOLAS. They support Resolution 4-17-F and Bill 21-17-F.
- **Student Speaker – Jerry McFarland:** He is here on behalf of the queer student groups and supports the same bills as HOLAS.
- Dillion McCormick motions for Nathaniel Hoey to be appointed as a senator.
- Nathaniel Hoey’s appointment is approved by unanimous consent.
- Chief Justice Annalicia Carlson swears in Nathaniel Hoey as a senator.
- **Unfinished Business**
- **Bill 20-17-F**
- Bill 20-17-F is passed by unanimous consent.
- **Bill 21-17-F**
- Andi Dahmer makes a friendly amendment adding “in conjunction with the Center for Citizenship and Social Justice” after “WKU Hilltopper Organization of Latin American Students.”
- Dillion McCormick makes a friendly amendment changing “\$100” to “\$100.00.”
- Lucas Knight makes a friendly amendment changing “___\$100” to “\$100.00.”
- Bill 21-17-F is passed by unanimous consent.
- **Bill 23-17-F**
- Bill 23-17-F is passed by unanimous consent.

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- Lily Nellans motions to move out of the bylaws.
- Lily Nellans' motion is not approved.
- **Announcement – Andi Dahmer:** Next week we should motion as to whether or not we will be meeting the Tuesday before Thanksgiving. Traditionally there is not a meeting that week.
- Alex Sargent motions to cancel the senate meeting on November 21st.
- Alex Sargent's motion is approved by unanimous consent.
- **Announcement – Francisco Serrano:** There will be an event November 6th. It is international education week. CCSJ will be showing a film in the Mass Media auditorium at 3pm titled "Define American Your Way."
- **Announcement – Anna McAvoy:** There is a program where you can recycle your plastic bags. If we get 500,000 pounds of plastic bags recycled, we will receive a composite bench.
- **Announcement – Ashley Cox:** All scholarship applications are due by midnight tonight.
- The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 5:55 pm.