

## SGA Senate Meeting Minutes

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- The sixteenth meeting of the sixteenth Senate was called to order by Ryan Richardson at 5:02pm on February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
- The minutes from the last Senate meeting were approved by unanimous consent.
- **President – Andi Dahmer:** Thanks senators for attending the rally for higher education in Frankfort today. In total, there were over 100 delegates in attendance. The purpose of today's rally was to discuss the 6.25% cut in higher education funding. The level has already been reduced from the previously proposed 14% cut. Due to these budget cuts, student tuition will be increased. Andi also met with the Board of Student Body Presidents. In that meeting they discussed outstanding pieces of legislation from the WKU SGA. There is an ongoing discussion regarding blue lights and possible new options. February 26<sup>th</sup> at 11am will be the official opening ceremony of parking structure three.
- **Executive Vice President – Savannah Molyneaux:** Thanks senators for attending the Frankfort rally. The budget council will be meeting Friday. Their deadline is in the next couple of weeks. University committee rearrangements are discussed.
- **Administrative Vice President – Kara Lowry:** A budget overview is given. Bring all budget questions and bills regarding money to Kara. The partnership with Student Legal Services is also discussed.
- **Chief of Staff – Connor Hounshell:** No report.
- **Director of Public Relations – Amy Wyr:** If you would like any of the group pictures from Frankfort let Amy know.
- **Director of Academic and Student Affairs (DASA) – Emily Houston:** Book scholarships are available as a reimbursement for students in need. The deadline for the application is this Friday and the application is available under the scholarships tab on the SGA website. Ten scholarships will be awarded. The funding is coming from the Division of Enrollment Management.
- **Director of Information Technology – Smita Peter:** No report.

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- **Speaker of the Senate – Ryan Richardson:** Committee chairs need to meet with either Ryan or Andi.
- **Secretary of the Senate – Asha McWilliams:** No report.
- **Academic and Student Affairs – Ashley Cox:** Committee members will be receiving an email about meeting times.
- **Campus Improvements – Garrett Edmonds:** They have been working on the Campus Safety Seminar. The projected date for the seminar is currently February 28<sup>th</sup>. Their meetings are Wednesdays at 6:00pm outside the senate chambers.
- **Legislative Research – Lillian Nellans:** The legislation for tonight has been approved. Their committee will not be meeting tonight.
- **Public Relations – William Hurst:** The PR committee will start tabling this Tuesday. If you have any tabling questions email them to William or Amy.
- **Diversity and Inclusion – Corey Newsome:** Members of the committee need to meet with Corey following the meeting.
- **Sustainability – Ian Hamilton:** They will be having a spring movie series with one movie showing a month. This month's will be February 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Earth Day Festival will be April 19<sup>th</sup> from 10-2pm and they will still be meeting Thursdays at 5:30 in the SGA chambers.
- **SGA SAVES – Ashlyn Jones:** They have joined with the Great American Condom Campaign and have received 500 condoms to distribute at tabling sessions.
- **University Committee (President's Advisory Council – Amy Wyer, Brigid Stakelum – Student Research Committee, Andi Dahmer – Strategic Planning Committee):** President's Advisory Council. Two members have been added to the council. Student Research Committee. Abstracts are due February 15<sup>th</sup>. Strategic Planning Committee. They had a forum last week and they are now conducting polling. There will be open forums Monday February 12<sup>th</sup> in Ogden Hall and Tuesday Feb 13<sup>th</sup> at 4pm in Jody Richards Hall.
- **Judicial Council Report – Annalicia Carlson:** The council has issued a censure on William Hurst. Details from the last meeting are in the Judicial Council Meeting Minutes. The updated Bylaws and Constitution are now uploaded to the SGA website, thanks to Associate Justice Jacob McAndrews.

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- **Student Speaker – Francis Wilson:** Thanks everyone who attended the brainstorming session. They have come up with a twenty question survey. It takes roughly three minutes to take the survey. It is available on the strategic planning website, the iWKU app, and TopNet.
- **Unfinished Business**
- Dallas McKinney motions to suspend the bylaws.
- Dallas McKinney's motion is approved by unanimous consent.
- Dallas McKinney motions to move Bill 4-18-S, Bill 6-18-S, and Resolution 1-18-S into unfinished business.
- Dallas McKinney's motion is approved by unanimous consent.
- Lucas Knight motions to move back into the bylaws.
- Lucas Knight's motion is approved by unanimous consent.
- **Bill 2-18-S**
- Bill 2-18-S is passed by unanimous consent.
- **Bill 3-18-S**
- Emily Houston makes a friendly amendment to the second whereas clause to read, "provide publicity for elections and referendums at the Director of Public Relation's request."
- Will Harris motions to table the bill until next week.
- The motion to table the bill is passed.
- **Bill 4-18-S**
- Bill 4-18-S is passed by unanimous consent.
- **Bill 6-18-S**
- Bill 6-18-S is passed by unanimous consent.
- Andi Dahmer makes a friendly amendment changing "even" to "event"
- **Resolution 1-18-S**
- Resolution 1-18-S is tabled until next week.

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- **Announcement – Kenan Mujkanovic:** He is talking with the city commissioners to move the crosswalk on Normal Street. If you have any ideas or suggestions, let Kenan know.
- **Announcement – Charley Pride:** Someone left their coat and Charley has it.
- **Announcement – Lucas Knight:** Bowling Green Fairness is having their monthly meeting February 12<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in Cherry Hall room 203A.
- **Announcement – Amanda Harder:** She just started the WKU Students for Breast Cancer Awareness organization. They will be meeting Monday February 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in DSU room 2122.
- **Announcement – Ian Hamilton:** Open Bible Ministry is having an open bible study tonight at 7:30pm in DSU room 2086.
- The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 6:04 pm.