The fourth meeting of the 12th senate was called to order at 5:00 pm on September 17, 2013. There were 17 out of 19 senators present. There was a motion to approve last week’s minutes. Passed.

**Guest Speakers: 24 Hour Eatery Open Forum with Gary Meszaros and Steve Hoyng**

Welcome. My name is Gary Meszaros, the assistant vice president of auxiliary services. And I am Steve Hoyng, resident district manager for WKU Restaurant and Catering. We just wanted to say that we are open to your suggestions and ideas. However, be aware of the pros and cons of these ideas. One thing we would like to say is that we are building a new Red Zone whose hours will be later than 2 am. You have to realize that 24 hours is expensive. Since I am also in charge of parking and transportation, a bus run to some 24 hour place off campus would also be an alternative. Today is for gathering information from the students. We are not sure what location you want to be open 24 hours but Fresh would be the most expensive. Einstein’s would be a good idea and I think Subway would also be feasible. Another concern is that we aren’t sure how many people would actually take advantage of these hours. Another thing to keep in mind is that weekend drinking and having a 24 hour food place may not be a good mix and could end up getting many people on trouble on campus. Our goal is to satisfy the students. We are trying to make decisions for the students and we need your input on new things. Do you guys have any questions?

Can we get more sustainable and local food on campus and decline the use of styrofoam and increase recyclable options?

Yes, we have done so in the past. But one thing that is very important to think about is cost. Also, it does take time to get locally sourced items in the mass quantities that we need. We have some projects in the works but again, they take time.

If we think of making Einstein’s a 24 hours place, could we have meal plan options?

Since Einstein’s is more faculty directed, we could possibly make it happen after a certain time of the night.

Could we open food places earlier?

The lowest numbers are in the mornings, which means that is would be too expensive.

Thank you for having us and we are grateful for your feedback and ideas.

**Officer Reports**

* President Keyana Boka

Hello, everybody. As you know, today is voting day. I hope you have cast your ballots and tomorrow at midnight we will be having our election results party! We have a new Glasgow president. We have new information about Homecoming; at halftime all alumni and current SGA members will be recognized, and we will be picking a Homecoming queen nominee for SGA soon. September 27th, at the board of regents meeting, we will have an SGA presentation explaining what we have been up to. We will be planting a community garden in the backyard of Office of Sustainability. Potential days for this project will be in October and will be taken on by the Campus Improvements and Public Relations committees.

* Executive Vice President Mark Reeves

I will be passing around the rsvp list for Picnic with President. University senate meets on Thursday. Dine with decision makers is November 21st.

* Administrative Vice President Nicki Seay

I want to thank all the student speakers for coming out. The scantrons are stocked and Organizational Aid committee is working on getting an application up. ID vouchers will be up soon.

* Speaker of the Senate Paige Settles

Senate retreat is coming up, so make sure to mark your calendar. Please vote in the elections.

**Staff Reports**

* Chief of Staff Brad Cockrel

The office schedule is now up. I added the President of Glasgow to the senate list and you will be getting an updated copy soon.

* Director of Public Relations Laura Harper

Please make sure to remind people to vote. We have come up with a solid public relations plan for rest of the semester. I will be sending out the SGA seconds in an email soon.

* Director of Academic Affairs Hannah Garland

Make sure you vote.

* Director of Information and Technology Sara Hazelip

I updated the minutes and am currently working on getting budget online.

**Committee Reports**

* Academic Affairs Megan Skaggs

Regular meeting.

* Campus Improvements

She will be emailing her report later.

* Legislative Research Ashlee Manley

Nothing to report, meeting in same spot.

* Public Relations Mallory Treece

Meeting in the same spot.

**Special Orders**

* Judicial Council

If you miss a senate meeting please submit excuse forms.

**Student Speakers**

Hall director: A lot of students have voiced their opinions about the 24 Hour Eatery and their main concern was having a place on to eat on WKU. We, the residential staff, feel like a 24 hour food place builds a community and promotes study time. We want meal plan items and good nutritious options. Residents are very for this idea. And I came today to voice the opinions of the students to SGA.

24 Hour Petition Leader: I will keep pushing for this and the new idea including meal plans. A no meal plan options isn’t any help for the students.

**Unfinished Business**

* **Resolution 2-13-F**

Author's speech- We are trying to reflect the student opinion. The support we gave to South Campus last year through the resolution we passed helped bring their food options back. Obviously we don’t have all the answers but, we do want to represent the students and show the administration that the student body along wants this 24 hour eatery to happen.

Friendly amendments by author: Include meal plan options in the proposal.

Resolution passes.

Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:50pm.