



WKU STAFF SENATE

Monthly Meeting – April 1, 2026 (10:00 AM) DSU 2081

View Full Meeting: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nMdq49k-E88>

Call to Order: 10:00 AM CST

Roll Call: 16 Senators in attendance; in person and via Zoom.

Approval of the Agenda & Prior Monthly Meeting Minutes: Both approved by unanimous consent.

Christopher Ware Staff Star Awards

Cindy Smith- Office of Institutional Equity

Beth Gafford- Materials Management and Campus Mail

Sherry West- Student Publications

Officer, Committee, and Staff Regent Reports

- **Chair – Leslie Vanderpool**
 - Chair Vanderpool reported that she met with President Caboni in March. Their conversation revolved around the updates regarding House Bill 500.
 - BEC met two weeks ago but did not meet last week.
- **Vice Chair – Jordan Ray:** No Report
- **Secretary – Morgan Moran:**
 - Senator Moran thanked everyone who helped with the New Hire Receptions and the new hires who attended.
 - Morgan shared a parking-related concern from a staff member who works in the evenings. It is challenging to find parking during the few times a semester that he must come to campus during the day. He has sent a proposal, and Senator Moran will share it via email to all senators and share it with Parking and Transportation.
- **Parliamentarian – Jon Adams:** No Report
- **Technology – Kent Johnson:** No Report
- **Treasurer – Andria Henry**

Treasurer's Report
April 2026
AS OF 3/31/2026, FY26:
E&G Index – 100600

 - Starting Balance = \$2,327.25
 - Additions = \$0.00
 - Disbursements = \$740.05
 - Ending Balance = \$1587.20

WKUF Account (Staff Senate Excellence Fund) – 1108600

- Starting Balance = \$2,275.12
- Additions = \$0.00
- Disbursements = \$0.00
- Ending Balance = \$2,275.12

CHF Account (Book Scholarship) – 800139

- Starting Balance = \$1,969.84
- Additions = \$0.00
- Disbursements = \$0.00
- Ending Balance = \$1,969.84
- **Communications – Deanna Jenkins:** No Report
- **Staff Regent – Jennifer Hammonds:** No Report
- **SGA:** No Report
- **EVP SOF:**
 - Susan Howarth reported that Quenna Thompson has become the permanent Assistant Vice President, Human Resources.
 - Buddy Steen will be retiring at the end of June. A national search will be launched within the next month.
 - The state budget should be released today or tomorrow.

Old Business

- Senator Hess asked if there has been any updates on Town Hall meetings with administration. Susan Howarth shared that no dates have been set yet, but they are planning to hold meetings in the summer.
- Senator Werner reported that SGA is holding a safety event this afternoon from 2pm-6pm in DSU. They are also planning a safety walk for tomorrow night.

New Business: None

Public Comment: None

Announcements & Notable Events:

- Staff Senate nominations open through April 3, 2026.
- Staff Senate Meet and Greet YOS Recognition April 15, 2026.

Adjournment: 10:26 AM CST