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MINUTES OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
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CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Student Government Association was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Vice-President Jeff Yan.

ROLL CALL

Absences included Tim Hampton, Jennifer St. Peter, Terra Swanson, and John Yeric.

READING OF THE MINUTES

It was moved to suspend with the reading of the minutes. Motion passed.

OFFICER REPORTS

Tara Higdon, President--President Higdon welcomed everyone back for the new year and proposed that this year Congress will see a different atmosphere and that with everyone's help productivity will hopefully skyrocket. President Higdon announced that there will be a State Student Government Conference September 8-9 in Lexington and if anyone is interested to see her. She also reminded everyone of the first home football game Thursday night, and to come out and support Western. President Higdon's office hours are 1-4 Monday - Thursday and by appt. on Friday.

Jeff Yan, Vice-President--Vice-President Yan welcomed Congress back and reported that Residence Hall Elections will begin September 6-7, with the deadline for applications being the 5. Freshman Council Elections will be held on September 12. He reminded Congress that if anyone needed applications to come downstairs to the SGA office and pick one up.

Kristen Miller, Public Relations Director--Public Relations Director Miller also welcomed everyone back and reminded everyone of SGA's prominence around campus and in the Herald. Miller explained to Congress the Place Cards that are a new addition to the Congress Chambers. These nameplates will group all of the representatives in their respective positions together on Congress so that members can work together and she also proposed a dress code for all Congress Members for the SGA meetings. This year there will be a new Programming Committee to work side by side with the Public Relations Committee that will be in charge of the actual planning and programming of the events that SGA sponsors. Public Relation Director Miller handed out flyers to Congress members to pass out and also showed Congress a rough copy of of the new SGA brochures.

Erin Schepman, Secretary--Secretary Schepman welcomed everyone back and announced the open Congress positions. There were 6 Sophomore Off-Campus, 4 Junior Off-Campus, 7 Senior Off-Campus, 4 Non-Traditional, and 2 positions open for Academic Council (Business and Graduate) that Congress would be voting on in New Business. Secretary Schepman informed everyone of the attendance policy that would be reinforced this year. If a Congress member has 3 unexcused absences they will be sent before Judicial Council and if a member is 10 minutes late without notifying Executive Council, this will also count as an absence. Secretary Schepman announced to everyone that the SGA Congress notebooks were finished and told everyone to come downstairs to pick one up.

Brandon Rucker, Treasurer--Treasurer Rucker announced that expenditures for the summer totaled \$4,497.08, and that our account balance is now \$37,256.92, with the budget being voted on next week. Treasurer Rucker asked Congress members to please look at the proposed budget in the Congress notebook to become familiarized with it and to come by his office, DUC 119, if there are any questions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS--The Academic Affairs Committee Chair was announced as Terra Swanson.

STUDENT AFFAIRS--The Student Affairs Committee Chair was announced as Darlene Lodmell.

LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH--The Legislative Research Committee Chair was announced as Carlene Lodmell.

CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS--The Campus Improvements Committee Chair was announced as Steve Roadcap.

PUBLIC RELATIONS--The Public Relations Committee Chair was announced as Cindy Chiapetta.

PROGRAMMING--The Programming Committee Chair was announced as Jason Loehr.

CULTURAL DIVERSITY--The Cultural Diversity Committee Chair was announced as Valerie Hadnot.

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ACADEMIC COUNCIL--The Potter College representative³ was announced as Stephanie McCarty. The Ogden College representative was announced as Mary Farrar. The Education Representative was announced as Lori Doolin.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS--There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS--The open Congress positions were filled by unanimous consent. For Sophomore Off-Campus, Melani Fischer, Nichole Haynes, Carlene and Darlene Lodmell, Ann Waling, and Shawna Whartenby were accepted by acclamation. For Junior Off-Campus, David Apple, Rob Crouthers, Jason Loehr, and Matt Heirs were accepted by acclamation. For Senior Off-Campus, Patrick Howard was accepted by acclamation. For Non-Traditional, Kenneth Hartman was accepted by acclamation. For Business College, Julie Gott was accepted by acclamation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Public Relations Director Miller reminded everyone to pick up flyers to pass out. Coordinator of Committees, Stephanie McCarty requested that the committee heads meet with her after the meeting. Secretary Schepman reminded everyone to come downstairs to pick up the Congress notebook.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin A. Schepman

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