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# Minutes of the Student Government Association
## December 8, 1998

**Call to Order:** Executive Vice President Chad Lewis called the regular meeting of the Student Government Association to order at 5:00pm in the Congressional Chambers of the Downing University Center.

**Roll Call:** Vice President of Administration Matt Bastin called roll. Those members absent included: Jason Nemes, Jaqueline Ayers, Jeremy Holman, Brent Ditto, Lisa Ruble, Natalie Bryant, Laura Cornelius, Robert Lightning, William Jones, Julia Raymer, Adrienne Frey, Rachel Carl, and Missy McKinnis.

**Minutes:** It was moved and seconded to suspend with the reading of the minutes. Motion approved.

**Officer Reports:** President, Stephanie Cosby – President Cosby went into a discussion of the student fees, and she opened the floor for discussion on the matter. The following consensus was reached: SGA supports inflationary increases in student fees as long as there are no other parallel increases. The President wished everyone good luck on their finals and a Happy Christmas.

Executive Vice President, Chad Lewis – Chad reported that fifty-seven people used Provide-a-Ride last week, which was a little down from previous weeks.

Vice Presient of Finance, Carleton Ruminer – The Vice President announced that the previous account balance stood at $30,219.06. Expenditures for the week totaled $257.21, which leaves the account balance at $29,961.85.

Vice President of Public Relation, Brad Sweatt – Brad announced that he has tendered his resignation to President Stephanie Cosby. He will be a student next semester at the University of Kentucky. Brad wished everyone the best of luck in the future.

Vice President of Administration, Matt Bastin – Matt reported that the open positions are as follows Graduate College, Business College, and At-large. The Vice President then went over information for the Christmas Banquet night.

**Committee Reports:** Academic Affairs – Larry Murphy thanked everyone for a great semester and he wished everyone a good winter break.

Legislative Research- Dwight Campbell announced that his committee passed the election codes for the spring elections and has turned them over to the Judicial Council for their review. The committee discussed the following bill and recommends them to Congress for consideration, Bill 98-11-F *Orientation Legislation*, Bill 98-12-F *Sponsoring of Bookswap.com*, Bill 98-13-F *1999 Camp Fair*.

Public Relations – No Report

Student Affairs- No Report

Campus Improvements – No Report

Hillraisers – No Report

**Academic Council:** Potter College, Jason Nemes – No Report
Ogden College, Mandy Coates – No Report
Business College, Open – No Report
Education College, Christen Gibbs – No Report
Graduate College, Open – No Report

**C.O.A.** Next meeting will be held in the Spring semester.

**Special Orders:** Chief Justice Ryan Morrison gave the November report for Judicial Council.

Nominations for Congress and Committee members of the month for November were taken. Sally Eilerman was voted Congress member and Tim Gilbert was voted committee member.

Stephanie appointed Laura Hancock as the new Coordinator of Committees and Congress approved the recommendation.

Stephanie appointed Matt Bogard as the new Campus Improvements Chair and Congress approved the recommendation.

Stephanie appointed Cassie Martin as the new Vice President of Public Relations and Congress voted 46-0-5 to accept her appointment.

Brad Sweatt administered the oath of office to Cassie Martin.

Stephanie appointed the new Academic Complaint Committee appointments and Congress approved the recommendations.

**Unfinished Business:** Bill 98-11-F *Orentation for New Members* was read for second reading. Authors Jason Chilton and Leslie Bedo spoke in favor. Amy France made a motion to accept Bill 98-11-F and it was seconded. Motion was approved.

Bill 98-12-F *Sponsoring of Bookswap.com* was read for second reading. Author Dwight Campbell spoke in favor. Stephanie Cosby, Adam Howard, and Eddie Schwab all raised questions of the author. Eddie Schwab made a motion to accept Bill 98-12-F and it was seconded. Motion was approved.

Bylaws were read for second reading. DJ made a motion to suspend with the reading of the bylawa and it was seconded. Billy Lyons, David Wilkins, Stephanie Cosby, Kyle Matthews, Eddie Schwab, Sally Eilerman asked questions of the author. Mitchell Bailey made several friendly amendments to the bylaws and all were accepted. Leslie Bedo made a motion to amend the Historian article to strike "shall not be a member of Congress." Dwight Campbell seconded the motion and it was approved. Joe Matheis called previous question and it was seconded. Motion passed by a 2/3 vote.

**New Business:** Bill 98-13-F *1999 Camp Fair* was read for first reading. Eddie Schwab made a motion to suspend with the bylaws and it was seconded. Bylaws were suspended. Author Kyle Matthews spoke in favor. Eddie Schwab made a motion to accept and it was seconded. Motion approved.

Bill 98-14-F *Faculty Appreciation Day* was read for first reading.

Election Codes were read for first reading.

**Announcements:** Christoph Miller tendered his resignation as Coordinator of Committees. Matt announced John Crowes engagement.

**Adjournment:** Laura Hancock made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded. Motion was seconded and meeting was adjourned at 6:40pm.

Respectfully Sumitted,

Matthew D. Bastin
VP of Administration, 1998-1999