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MINUTES

The twenty-second meeting of the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University was called to order at 5:02pm on March 11th, 2003 with the Executive Vice President in the chair and the Vice President of Administration being present.

A motion to approve the minutes was made. *Motion approved unanimously.*

President Jamie Sears

- Jamie congratulated the Lady Tops on their Sunbelt Conference title this afternoon. The men play tonight.
- In the recently approved state budget, WKU lost 1.4 million this year and will gain 3 million next year, including money for the Bucks for Brains program and KEES scholarships.
- Dave Shinall would like to sponsor a radio debate for the pro and con arguments on the radio funding referendum.
- Jamie has a Parking and Transportation committee meeting tomorrow morning at 730am.
- Reminder: Career Fair is tomorrow at South Campus.
- Reminder: Housing Forum will be this Thursday at 400pm in DUC 305.

Executive Vice President John Bradley

- John had a Student Life Foundation meeting at 730am this morning.
- There is a proposal on the table for the creation of a married student housing area with parking and retail space. It would be partially funded by HUD.
- John informed Congress that next year Housing cost are projected to increase.

Vice President of Finance Ross Pruitt

- Now that the State budget has been passed, the WKU Budget Council will meet regularly.

Vice President of Public Relations Anna Coats

No Report

Vice President of Administration Brandon Copeland

- There are 3 people to be sworn in tonight.
- There are currently 29 vacancies in Congress. Please help with recruitment efforts.
- Today was the deadline for application as a candidate for Executive Office.

Coordinator of Committees

There will be a meeting next week after Congress.

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Committee Reports

Academic Affairs

-Meets Thursdays at 500pm.

-There will be a new section on the SGA website that will highlight student achievement.

Campus Improvements

-Reminder: March 12, Campus Clean Up.

Legislative Research—Report given by Vice Chair Dana Lockhart

-Sponsored legislation.

-Meets Mondays at 400pm in the SGA office.

Public Relations

-The committee discussed legislation to be drafted as sponsoring a student activity.

-The committee encourages all to go to the forum and campus clean up.

Senior Recognition

-No report

Student Affairs

-Regular meetings: 500pm on Mondays in the SGA office.

-The committee decided on a tentative date for Dialogue Day, April 8th or the 15th.

Ad hoc Internal Affairs

-Will continue to work on the Constitution and Bylaws. This week we will be working on the proportions of congressional representation.

-Meets Wednesdays at 300pm in SGA office.

Information Technology Director

-No report

Special Orders

The following people were approved and sworn in for the following positions in SGA:

At-Large representative, Congress:

None (Three were checked and approved but did not appear before Congress for further voting and approval.)

Judicial Council report—Troy Ransdell

Mandatory candidate meeting tonight after Congress.

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University Senate report—Ross Pruitt

The Senate will meet a week from this Thursday at 330pm in Garrett Ballroom.

The Congress and Committee members of the month for February nominations were:

Congress member of the month: Michelle Woods
Abby Lovan
John Law
Tim Howard
Katie Dawson

Committee member of the month: Abby Lovan
Dana Lockhart
Katie Dawson

Dana Lockhart announced that he will not be able to attend the upcoming General Education committee meeting of the University Senate this Thursday at 330pm. Will need for the alternate to attend the meeting.

The President nominated Kyle Gott as chair of the Special Organizational Aid Committee.

Eddie Schwab moved that the bylaws be suspended so that we may vote on the nomination. Seconded.

Motion to suspend with the bylaws was approved unanimously
Nomination approved unanimously.

Special Orders from the floor

NONE

Unfinished Business

B03-02-S, Bylaws Amendment
Authors' Statements. Questions.
Motion to approve by Bob Bell. Seconded.
Debate. Troy R. spoke in opposition to the legislation. Jamie S. and Steven R. spoke in support.
Motion to end debate by Bob B. Seconded. Motion approved unanimously.
Measure passed unanimously.

R03-04-S, Online Pictures and Forms
Authors' Statements. Questions.
Debate. No debate.
Motion to approve by Patti Johnson. Seconded.
Measure approved unanimously.

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New Business

First reading of the following pieces of legislation:

B03-08-S, Healthy Days Allocation
B03-09-S, Apollo Night Showcase
R03-07-S, Support for HR 786
R03-08-S, Forthright Parking Fee Fund Distribution

Announcements

Nick Todd: Reminder: Campus Clean Up tomorrow at 330pm starting in front of Cherry Hall.
Kyle G.: Passed around a sign up sheet for special organizational aid committee.
Ross: Congratulations to the Lady Tops! There were 2300 students at the last game lets keep up the high student attendance.
Scott: War Forum with professors from the Journalism, History and Government departments sponsored by the Government and Politics Soceity

The meeting was adjourned by general consent at 5:48pm

Brandan Copeland

Brandon Copeland, Vice President of Administration
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