

MINUTES

The fifth meeting of the fifth Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University was called to order at 5:03 PM on October 3, 2006, with the Speaker of the Senate in the chair.

There were 27 of 30 Senators present.

There was a motion and a second to approve the minutes.

President – Robert S. Watkins

- Not present due to illness.

Executive Vice-President – Jeanne L. Johnson

- Thanks for being and I am excited about having a full Senate!
- If you cannot make the retreat, email your excuse to me.
- On the Campus Safety Walk we found poorly lit areas on campus. I will send a report to the police department and the facilities management department.
- I am sending around a retreat sign-up. The retreat is mandatory, we will October 14th and transportation is required. We will be staying at the Courtyard Vanderbilt. Please wear professional attire, my correct email is on the board (Jeanne.Johnson@wku.edu). You can email all excuses to that addresses.

Administrative Vice-President – Amanda B. Allen

- Welcome.
- The budget has changed since our last meeting. We have spent \$2300-2400 on the retreat give or take a little. There are bills up for first reading with money.
- Notify me two weeks in advance to spend money. I need to have everything on record, and everything needs to be approved.

Speaker of the Senate – Johnathon F. Boles

- Welcome new senators.
- The legislative branch is bringing sexy back. The other branches don't know how to act.
- Attend meetings, and social functions with SGA.
- Committee meetings are required. We will talk more later about the committee meetings, choose one. The chairs will give more information during their reports.

- We all need to speak loudly and slowly so that our secretary, Cherieth Lineweaver, who is doing an excellent job, can write everything down. This room has great acoustics, so let's use them.
- These are the standing committee heads are: Leah Keys, Tori Theiss, Tim Hill and Kayla Shelton.
- Thanks to the Organizational Aid Board for their great work as well.
- Committee heads should put their reports in to my box, as well as Cherieth's.
- We have a meeting Wednesday October 11th at 6:00 pm.
- If you have questions, come see me afterwards.
- Emily Lovan (Chief of Staff) wants everyone's home number and birthday and RaShae Jennings (Sergeant at Arms) will pass the sheet around.
- We have a special guest here today, Joshua Collins. He is sitting in and watching our meeting.

Committee Reports

Academic Affairs: Leah Keys

- Hi.
- The meeting is after this one out in DUC.
- Last week it was just me.
- We do the academic things.

Campus Improvements: Tori Theiss

- I am the chair. Our meetings are at 4:30 pm at the tables on the third floor.
- This committee works on improving campus.
- We will address the Campus Safety Walk concerns.
- Campus Clean-Up will be held at 5:00 pm on October 16th at Cherry Hall.

Legislative Research Committee: Tim Hill

- LRC makes sure every piece legislation is constructionally and grammatically correct after the first reading. We get it ready for the second reading.
- Meetings are on Wednesday at 3:00 pm in the SGA main office.
- We will have fun.
- I will also appoint my vice-chair tonight.

Public Relations: No Chair (Jonathon Sprowles, Director of PR, spoke)

- The meetings are Thursday at four o'clock.
- We need to improve this committee, and we need all ya'll help.
- PR lets students know what we're doing.
- Do you all remember Mr. T? The PR Committee is the "A" Team. It's from the '70s, the "A" Team.
- There is no meeting this Thursday because of Fall Break.
- Come out, it is exciting!

Student Affairs: Kayla Shelton

- This committee deals with anything concerning the students.
- We have Dialogue Day and Diversity Council coming up.
- The meetings are Mondays at 4:00 pm in Senate office.

Special Orders

University Committees Report(s)

No report.

Judicial Council Report

Welcome to the new senators. It is important not to miss three meetings. We will meet every other Wednesday now that elections are over. There will be one person from Judicial at the Senate meeting every Tuesday.

Bowling Green City Commission Report

No report.

Organizational Aid Board: Tim Hill (Chair)

I would like to give gratitude to the four lovely ladies that have spent mass amounts of time working on this: Alyshia Anderson, Maggie Pearson, Ashley Gore, and Cherieth Lineweaver. We have \$30,000 to give out. Contrary to a few administrative potholes, we will be giving the legislation next week and voting on it in two weeks.

Approval Vote/Swearing in of Associate Justice

Associate Justice—Brian Fisher

I am from Bowling Green, Kentucky, and a senior. I have worked for a law firm for four years and I am the Farmhouse fraternity president.

Fisher passed with unanimous consent.

Fisher and Andrew Vandiver were sworn in as associate justices.

Approval Vote for University Committee

Parking and Transportation Committee—Jeanne Johnson and Tim Hill

University Budget Committee—Amanda Allen

All passed with unanimous consent.

Senate Swearing In

Rob Anderson, Kendrick Bryan, Christian Cullip, Toni Corella, Nathan Eaton, Glenn Fedor Jr., Joshua Fries, Reagan Gilley, Ashley Gore, Theodore Harden, Tim Hill Jr., Lucas Humble, Blake McAlister, Melissa Rickman, John Michael Sigler II, Kayla Shelton, Gary Steven Taylor Jr. and Earlene Racquel Whitaker to the Student Senate.

Legislative Nominations

Student Affairs Vice-Chairman—Kate Niedzwecki

I'm here for Kayla (Shelton).

Legislative Research Vice-Chairman—Ashley Gore
Campus Improvements Vice-Chairman—Diane DeRosa-Reynolds
Academic Affairs Vice-Chairman—Ashley Gore
All passed with unanimous consent.

Unfinished Business

Bill 03-06-F Funding for SGA “Up Till Dawn” Team

On September 20th this came before the committee. Boles read the entire legislation. The author, Tim Hill, was recognized. We should have a team, this is a very very good and rewarding organization to us as the student body and those less fortunate. During Questions, Seth Norman requested the friendly amendment to add the word “an” in the first therefore clause. Making the sentence read “providing an entry fee”. Hill said no, that the sentence is grammatically correct. The “friendly amendment” was brought up again in Debate. The amendment failed. *The bill passed through the Senate as read by Boles.*

New Business

- Bill 04-06-F Campus Clean-Up
- Bill 05-06-F Campus Clean-Up Facebook Ad
- Bill 07-06-F Diversity Council Reestablishment
- Res. 01-06-F Athletic-Fee Poll
- Res. 02-06-F Election Forum with CAB
- Res. 03-06-F Dialogue Day

Announcements

Jeanne Johnson: Get excited about retreat! Pass back the sign-up sheet.

Jonathon Sprowles: Do not read the first page of my report. And thanks to Boles for bringing sexy back!

Tim Hill: LRC meeting tomorrow at 3:00 pm. It will last from three to four, at least.

Christa Wilcox: The waver next meeting will go around to drive ourselves to the retreat.

Amanda Allen: Tori Theiss and Diane DeRosa-Reynolds see me after the meeting.

Leah Keys: Academic Affairs meeting after this meeting!

Johnathon Boles: Please go to a committee meeting, Academic Affairs is right now!

The meeting was adjourned at 5:31 pm.

Cherieth Lea Lineweaver, Secretary of the Senate
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