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The Spirit Makes the Master

#### **MINUTES**

The sixth meeting of the seventh Senate of the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University was called to order at 5:01 PM on October 16, 2007, with the Speaker of the Senate in the chair.

There were 24 of 35 senators present.

The minutes were read and approved.

#### President - Jeanne L. Johnson

- Hi, everyone.
- Our cookout that is still postponed. I'm not sure exactly when we will be able to have it.
- The Executive Board is working hard on the article to be put in the paper this week about the Walk-Out.
- We are preparing for the Board of Student Body Presidents to come to Western on November 2<sup>nd</sup> If you are interested in meeting them contact me and let me know.
- Parking and Transportation Committee needs another person to sit in on the meetings. If you are interested let me know.
- If you are asked to sit in on a university committee meeting please make sure you
  are there. It is very important because they contact me and let me know who is
  coming and who isn't.
- Kevin Smiley and I have been working on getting the word out for the Walk-Out. If you are in an organization please let them know more about it.

### Executive Vice President - Johnathon Franklin L. Boles

- I have been working on the Archives. We have just received a large donation and we are almost finished.
- We have cleaned out Room 123 and turned our old furniture and things to the University on Friday.
- Please stop in my office and say hi to Kathleen Hennessey and Vanessa Scott.

#### Administrative Vice President - Cherieth L. Lineweaver

 All of the Organization Aid stuff is turned in! Organizational Aid is great and there checks should be mailed out in about six to eight weeks.



Speaker of the Senate - Kayla W. Shelton

- The next committee head meeting is MANDATORY It will be held October 25<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm.
- After the next Senate meeting we will be having an Up Til' Dawn Party letter writing.

## Staff Reports

### Chief of Staff: Skylar Jordan

- Good day to all.
- I am having weekly meetings with Samantha Hughey, Liz Goddard, and Reagan Gilley from here on out. If you would like to meet with me I'd love to see you!
- We will be painting the office this Friday so please, unless it's absolutely necessary, steer clear.
- My e-mail address has changed. It is now <a href="mailto:skylar.bakerjordan@gmail.com">skylar.bakerjordan@gmail.com</a>. Please make appropriate changes.
- If you have any contacts in Student Government Association's at Kentucky private universities or the University of Louisville, please let me know. I have contacts at all other public institutions.
- We have a University Senate meeting this Thursday at 3:35. We'll be discussing a
  wide range of issues.
- If you need anything, I'm here to help!

## Director of Public Relations: Liz Goddard

- Hello.
- Please talk to your friends about the Walk-Out.
- Polo days are coming up if you are working at an informational section during the Walk-Out week. Please make sure you wear your polo shirts.
- Kevin Smiley is working on a master sing up list for the Walk-Out events.

# Director of Academic and Student Affairs: Reagan Gilley

Skylar Jordan spoke on behalf of Reagan Gilley.

- Good afternoon/evening everyone! My apology for not being able to attend tonight's meeting, but, alas, I am currently taking a physics test.
- For my report: as usual, I'm still pursuing the 24 hour study room, and I have heard back from the College of Behavioral and Educational Sciences. They said that they supported the idea, but due to security concerns they don't want it in Tate-Page. I'm also trying to close the book with Professors Accountability and Evaluation. I will need to talk to the Academic Affairs committee about this next week, and I hope that this can be finished with before the semester's end.
- Secondly, signed Plus/Minus grading is coming back, and I am looking into researching the pros and cons of the topic. Please let me know if you find any interesting articles on this topic, be they scholarly or pop, in addition to your thoughts on the topic.

- I'm in the process of trying to find some space for the Outlet (anyone with any questions about this should ask Skylar). Please let me know if you can think of any good places. Additionally, I'm setting up a meeting with Gary Wiser to find out about the status of Greek Row, and should have some information on that shortly.
- Lastly please let me know if I can be of any help. Please feel free to call me anytime if I can be of help with anything.

## Director of Information Technology: Samantha Hughey

- My office hours are as follows: Tuesday 12:30-2pm and Wednesday 10-12:30pm. Please e-mail me if you need anything.

## Committee Reports

Standing

## Academic Affairs: Drew Eclov

- Good evening.
- We are working on the Field Trip Scholarships.

### Campus Improvements: Nate Eaton

- We had a really good meeting today.
- We talked about recycling. We have a Bill coming up for second reading today.

## Legislative Research Committee: Emilee England

- Hello.
- Tonight there's legislation up for first reading. The authors need to meet with me after the meeting.

### Public Relations: Jessica VanWinkle

- We had a really good meeting and we have half of the bulletin board finished. We are started to work on the banner.

## Student Affairs: Kevin Smiley

- Hello.
- I really appreciate everyone's help on the Walk-Out.
- I will get details to you this week.
- Please sign up and help out during next week.
- If you know of any organization that we can go and talk to please let me know.
- We will be signing up for the coffee stand tonight.

#### Ad-Hoc

## Student Ambassadors: Meggan Selzer

Committee was established.

### **Special Orders**

University Committee Reports

General Education: We talked about study abroad.

University Publications: On last Wednesday we discussed the financing of the College Heights Herald and the Talisman. We talked about the fun things we could do to get all the information out that we do.

## Judicial Council Report

- Please make sure everyone is attending committee meetings so we know who to send to Judicial Review if you are not going.

### Bowling Green City Commission Report

- We will be going tonight and hopefully we will have a report next week.

### University Complaint Committee Appointments

Educational Behavioral Sciences College- Kayla Smith, Johnathon Boles Ogden College- Michelle Fusting, Amanda Webb Potter College- Michelle Reynolds, Wes Calhoun Gordon Ford College- Blaine Routt, Damien Clark Health and Human Services- Charlie Harris, Ian Hughes Community College- Skylar Jordan, Jordan Pitney All passed with unanimous consent.

### Graduate Council Approval

Ian Hughes

Hughes passed with unanimous consent.

## University Advisory Technical Committee Approval

Samantha Hughey

Hughey passed with unanimous consent.

#### Establishment of Ad-Hoc committee Student Ambassadors

Meggan Selzer spoke about Student Ambassadors.

Student Ambassadors passed with unanimous consent.

#### **Unfinished Business**

### Bill 05-07-F Campus Recycling Collection Bin

This is the second reading of this resolution. The author, Nate Eaton, stood to speak about the bill. There was a request for Point of Information from Natalie Denney: Why will it cost \$14,000. There was a request for Point of Information from Jeanne Johnson: This is a massive bin/dumpster. It will have to be located behind the Supply and Service Building. There was a request for Point of Information from Kayla Shelton: The

bin will cost around \$80 a month, but we will not be paying that. There was a request for Point of Information from Julia Bright: Is there information or data that shows that students do recycle? There was a request for Point of Information from Jeanne Johnson: Green Toppers have a lot of that information and Housing and Residents Life are starting to recycle as well. The Administration buildings even have recycling bins now. There was a request for Point of Information from Drew Eclov: How often will the bins be emptied? Eaton: They will be emptied once a month. There was a request for Point of Information from Damien Clark: Do we get money back from the recycling and if so where does it go? There was a request for Point of Information from Jeanne Johnson: I believe we do and it will be split 50-50 with the University and our cost will be going back to the bin. We should be having a piece of legislation soon. Stuart Kenderes spoke in favor of the bill. The bill passed with unanimous consent.

### Bill 06-07-F Walk Out Western Week Fundraising

Kevin Smiley made a motion to move Bill 06-07-F to Unfinished Business. There was a second. The motion passed and the Bill moved into Unfinished Business.

This is the first reading of this bill. Drew Eclov motioned to have the bill constructively read. There was a second. There were three opposed and no abstentions. The author, Kevin Smiley, stood to speak about the resolution. The Emilee England made a motion to strike "state" and insert "Commonwealth" from the first Whereas clause. England also made a motion to strike ", and" and insert "." in the fourth Whereas clause. There was a second. The motion passed with one abstention. There was a request for Point of Information from Brittany-Ann Wick: What kind of gift certificates would be given out? Smiley: Just gift certificates that college students would like. There was a request for Point of Information from Damien Clark: If there was money left over from the \$300 would it go back in the miscellaneous funds? Smiley: Yes it would. There was a request for Point of Information from Stuart Kenderes: will there be receipts for this? There was a request for Point of Information from Cherieth Lineweaver: Everything we spend money on I have to be there with him. There will be receipts. There was a request for Point of Information from Wick: How many students will really come out just for the prizes? Eaton: The main point of this week it to get people to come out! There was a request for Point of Information from Clark: Wouldn't an iPod cost more than \$300? Smiley: It's my understanding that the estimated cost would be around \$75. We will try our best to conserve funds. There was a request for Point of Information from Brian Fisher: If prizes are given away they will not be given to SGA members. The bill passed with unanimous consent.

#### **New Business**

None.

#### Announcements

Brian Fisher: Just a reminder we need to go to the Legislative Research Committee before moving a resolution or a bill from New Business to Unfinished Business. Skylar Jordan: This Thursday, Friday and Saturday the Ohio Valley History Conference is going on. We will be having our Executive meeting at O'Charley's.

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