

MINUTES

The first meeting of the seventh Senate of the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University was called to order at 5:00 PM on August 26th, 2008, with the Speaker of the Senate in the chair.

There were 26 of 30 senators present

The minutes were read and approved.

President – Johnathon F. Boles

- Welcome back, everybody! I'm very excited about this new year and all the advocating we will do.
- I am hoping for a great election this fall. We need new faces in those seats.
- The executive board went to KLA over the summer and met with the other colleges Student Governments.
- I still need your help with committees and the such. Remember that it is your responsibility to show up on time and be active.
- I need a student to sit on the Bowling Green City Commission

There was a request for a Point of Information from Skylar Jordan: Will the student actually be a voting member or will they just attend the meetings? President Boles: They will just attend the meetings, but it is a very important committee.

- My office hours are posted on my office. They are as follows: Monday and Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and from 4:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Tuesday and Thursday from 11:00 a.m. from 5:00 p.m. Fridays I will only be in my office if you schedule an appointment.
- My office number is 745-5812 if you need anything.
- The new election codes are being brought up tonight for first read. Please put away your biases and your cloaks so we can make this as smooth of a year as possible.

Executive Vice President – Kayla W. Shelton

- The date for the fall retreat is the weekend of September 27th Please make plans to attend as it will be an awesome time.
- Hopefully we will be going to a state park and we can have fun while learning about SGA.

Administrative Vice President – R. Reagan Gilley

- Welcome back everybody!
- This will probably be my longest report of the year, so bear with me for right now.
- The \$8,000 that is allotted under "Student Worker" is enough to pay two student workers for the entire year.

- The \$9,050 that is allotted under "Stipends" is enough to cover all of the executive members' stipends for the year.
- The \$1,000 that is allotted under "Travel" is what is used when people have conferences to go to, or when Boles travels to BSBP.
- The \$5,000 that is allotted under "Generic Senate Programming" will be used for anything that you guys (the senators) come up with that needs funding.

There was a request for a Point of Information from President Boles: Just a heads up, Provide-A-Ride starts tonight. YAY!!!

- The budget is now in your hands. If you want to spend more or less on the retreat, or on scholarships, or on anything, it's up to you.

Speaker of the Senate – Nathan J. Eaton

- Welcome back, guys. It's great to see everybody here and looking so eager to be here.
- This is going to be a great year.

Staff Reports

Chief of Staff: Skylar Jordan (pro temp)

- Hello everybody. You may remember me.
- I need a list of all the bars in Bowling Green, so if you know of any that I don't, tell me ASAP.
- I need meeting times for committee heads as soon as you know them because I am working on a master schedule for the entire year.
- If you have any legislative questions, let me know and I'll try my best to answer them.
- Be kind to our office associate, she is there to help you out.
- My office hours are posted.
- As soon as you find out meeting times for University Committees, let me know.

Director of Public Relations: Monique Gooch (pro temp)

- I am very excited to see everyone.
- I really am going to need everybody on the PR committee to step up and help out with all of the work this year.
- There will be a bide fest on South Lawn September 3rd from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. I will be passing around a sign up sheet for times you can sign up. Please do so if possible.
- There will be a Student Engagement Expo on South Campus September 10th-11th. SEE is designed to let campus and community organizations share ways in which students and faculty can get involved with their organization.
- I'm thinking we should tag team with CAB and show controversial movies during the school year.
- My office hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

- My email is monique.gooch@wku.edu and my office telephone number is 745-5808.

Director of Academic and Student Affairs: M. Andrew Eclov (pro temp)

- Hey everyone! We have lots of exciting things this year.
- Yay for the new bike repair shop!
- I'm here to hear from you. If you or anyone you know has a problem, talk to me.
- Western Wednesdays will be starting up next week. They will be similar to Warm Up Western

Director of Information Technology: Charlie Harris (pro temp)

- Hello everybody. It's good to see you again.
- I've got a new website in the works and I'm hoping to get an SGA blog up and running.

Committee Reports

Standing

Academic Affairs: Brittany Ann Wick (pro temp)

- Hello everyone! Welcome back.
- I'm excited about this year.
- Let me know of times your available to meet.

Campus Improvements: Ben Lineweaver (pro temp)

- I've got some great ideas for this year.
- I'll let everybody know what times we will be meeting.

Legislative Research Committee: Kevin Smiley (pro temp)

- Hi, I'm Smiley.

Public Relations: Vanessa Scott (pro temp)

- This year is gonna be fun.
- Please email me times you are available to meet.

Student Affairs: Jesse Caylor (pro temp)

- Hi.
- This year is going to be great!

Ad-Hoc

Sustainability: Joey Coe (pro temp)

- Hope everybody had a great summer.
- I'm glad to see SGA is stepping up and addressing the world's problem.

Special Orders

University Committee Reports

Board of Regents- I was at the meeting when they voted on tuition increases, but I wasn't sworn in yet, so there was no student vote on that subject.

Parking and Transportation Committee- The committee has been restructured and students will now get a vote.

University Senate- We will be looking at grade inflation.

Judicial Council Report

We met last night and made some changes to the election codes. Among them were the additions of sections 2.3 and 2.3.1, 3.8.1, 7.4 and 7.4.1.

There was a request for a Point of Information from President Boles: Was there anything that was in the codes that was removed? Lisa Kappler: Yes, we removed the sections about no campaigning on Facebook.

Bowling Green City Commission Report

No report.

Presidential Nominations

Executive Branch:

Chief of Staff- R. Skylar Jordan

Director of Public Relations- Monique Gooch

Director of Academic and Student Affairs- M. Andrew Eclov

Director of Informational Technology- Charlie Harris

University Senate:

Executive Board- R. Skylar Jordan

University Curriculum- M. Andrew Eclov

Faculty Welfare- R. Reagan Gilley

Academic Quality- Kayla W. Shelton

General Education- Vanessa Scott

Athletic Committee:

Male- Kendrick Bryan

Female- Megan Hodges

University Publications Committee:

Monique Gooch
R. Skylar Jordan

Internationalization:

Joey Coe

University Calendar Committee:

R. Reagan Gilley

Budget Council:

R. Reagan Gilley

Emergency Management:

Johnathon F. Boles
Ben Lineweaver

Technology Advisory Committee:

Charlie Harris

Master Planning Committee:

Johnathon F. Boles

Senate Committee Heads:

Academic Affairs- Brittany Ann Wick
Campus Improvements- Ben Lineweaver
Legislative Research Committee- Kevin Smiley
Public Relations- Vanessa Scott
Student Affairs- Jesse Caylor
Sustainability (Ad Hoc)- Joey Coe

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

Bill 01-08-F Student Government Association Budget

Bill 02-08-F Fall Election Codes 2008

Organizational Aid Proposal

Announcements

Skylar Jordan: I need to see Boles, Reagan, and Charlie after the meeting

Johnathon Boles: Please turn in the pink form to either myself or Nate. There are a lot of changes. If you're confused, just ask somebody.

Reagan Gilley: Thanks for listening to my long report.

Lisa Kappler: If you know of any freshmen that are interested in Senate, hand them an application.

Jacob Miers: You are elected senators and are required to attend meetings. A total of three unexcused Senate absences or four unexcused committee absences and you will be sent to Judicial Review. I will give you until Wednesday at midnight to turn in your excuses for missing.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 pm.

Jacob A. Miers, Secretary of the Senate
Student Government Association
Western Kentucky University