Student Government Association
Executive Council Meeting
September 30, 1997

Call to Order: The meeting of the Executive Council of the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University was called to order at 6:07 p.m. by President Keith Coffman.

Attendance: In attendance were Keith Coffman, Leigh Ann Sears, Heather Rogers, Jamie Fite and Chad Lewis.

Items discussed:

President Coffman mentioned that he would like business cards to hand out at workshops, meetings, etc. and asked if anyone else needed them. Treasurer Lewis said he would order them for President Coffman and if anyone else wanted them to see him.

President Coffman mentioned that he thought it would be a good idea to have tailgating before every home game now due to the good turnout at Saturday’s football game against South Florida. He also mentioned the possibility of purchasing a tent instead of renting one every week. Student Government could then rent the tent out to other organizations who needed it when it wasn’t being used by SGA. Vice President Sears mentioned talking with Scott Taylor to see if it could possibly be a Student Activities tent. This project will be delegated to Campus Improvements. Next President Coffman said that neighborhood watch signs would be good for the campus with public safety’s phone number listed so that people may report crime and remain anonymous. This project will be delegated to Student Affairs.

Secretary Fite said that she needed each Executive Council member to sponsor a committee. President Coffman will sponsor Hillraisers, Vice President Sears will sponsor Campus Improvements and LRC, PR Director Rogers will sponsor the PR committee, Secretary Fite will sponsor Student Affairs and Treasurer Lewis will sponsor Academic Affairs.

PR Director Rogers said that she was going to begin a Provide-a-Ride campaign to increase support and knowledge. She also said that she was trying to find a bulletin board for SGA only to use. Also, November 14, 1997 she is hosting a lunch for the Dynamic Leadership Institute for high school students and asked that council help her in organizing and helping with that. Also, council agreed that there will be no pep rally before this year’s Homecoming game due to the low turnout from last year. She encouraged increased communication between the officers; please keep everyone informed of all that is going on.

Executive Council passed all pieces of legislation before them. Resolutions 97-3-F, 97-4-F and 97-6-F.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.
MINUTES OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
September 30, 1997

CALL TO ORDER The regular meeting was called to order by Vice President Leigh Ann Sears.

ATTENDANCE Those Congress members absent included: Jason Heflin, Larry Murphy, Jimmy Ausbrooks, Martha Bonds, Jarrod Magan, Carlton Rumenier, Lance Blincoe, Heather Holman, Tim Leavell, Eric Wilson, Creighton Matthews, Amy Duncan, Corletta Keys, Sonya Robertson, Joe Matheis, Cory Dryden, Brandon McCloud, and Will Warren.

MINUTES Stephanie Cosby moved to suspend with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting. It was seconded and approved unanimously.

OFFICER REPORTS Keith Coffman, President President Coffman opened by thanking Congress for all of their hard work. He then reminded everybody of the cookout with Dr. Ransdell, Western’s president-elect, on Monday, October 20 and encouraged everyone to attend. Closing, he encouraged everyone to come to the Talent Show on October 17.

Leigh Ann Sears, Vice President Vice President Sears announced that 58 people rode Provide-A-Ride last Thursday night and said that we need to really push the program. Next Vice President Sears said that she met with Bennie Beach and Scott Taylor regarding a stage for DUC South Lawn. The stage is currently being designed and they are contacting other organizations who might be interested in the stage. After the design is finished, they will make an appointment with Facilities Management. Finally, Vice President Sears thanked Congress for all their hard work on all of the legislation that has been written.

Heather Rogers, Director of Public Relations PR Director Rogers announced that she sent some of the t-shirts back due to many of them being defective; the logo was not centered on the back. She will give out the shirts when she receives the corrected ones. She also encouraged Congress to talk up Provide-A-Ride because it is a very worthwhile program. Finally, PR Director Rogers talked about a conference for women that will be on October 18, 1997. If anyone is interested in any more information, they should see her after the meeting. She closed by reading a “thought for the week.”
Jamie Fite, Secretary  Secretary Fite passed around a list of the Committees and the members on each committee; those wishing to change their committee should add their name to respective committee. If they are moving from one committee to another, then they need to mark out their name on the former committee’s list. She apologized that there were no Seconds for the week, but she was out of the office several days last week. Finally, Secretary Fite announced that the open positions included Graduate College, Non-Traditional, Sophomore Off-Campus, Senior Off-Campus, New Sorority, South Hall and Rodes Harlin.

Chad Lewis, Treasurer  Treasurer Lewis announced that the weekly expenditures total $2161.14, expenditures to date total $9549.59 leaving the account balance at $32,206.41 which is 77.31% of the budget. Organizational Aid applications are out and the deadline for returning those is October 16, 1997. Encourage those organizations who need extra finances to apply.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic Affairs  Chairperson Matt Bastin announced that his committee had good PR in this week’s College Heights Herald with 2 stories on projects that they have been working on. The committee has tabled Resolution 97-5-F until further notice. There is an Academic Requirements meeting Tuesday at 3:30. See him for more details.

Student Affairs  Chairperson Jason Cole announced that the committee needs to revise Resolution 97-2-F, so during New Business he will move to table the Resolution until next week.

LRC  Chairperson Andy Gailor said that they reviewed and passed 3 pieces of legislation this week. Coming up for second reading will be resolutions 97-2-F, 97-3-F, 97-4-F and 97-6-F. He encouraged everyone to vote in favor of these.

Constitutional Review  Chairperson Ann Guillory said that her committee will be reviewing Article I on Thursday at 4:30 p.m. in the office. She encouraged everyone who could attend the meetings to do so.

Public Relations  Chairperson Jenny Stith said the PR Committee made suggestion boxes for all of the Residence Halls, DUC and Garrett last week; they will be putting those out soon. She then thanked her committee for all of their hard work on those.

Campus Improvements  Chairperson Callie Varner said that she asked the committee members to select different restaurants to speak to regarding the Designated Driver Cards. There will be upcoming legislation about the placement of Bike Racks on campus.

Hillraisers  In the absence of Chairperson Jason Heflin, President Coffman reported that the pigroast at tailgating before Saturday’s football game against South Florida went real well. They had a real good turnout of supporters and
more people are signing up for the club each day. T-Shirt are in; if you are a Hillraiser and haven’t received one yet, see him or Jason Hefflin.

ACADEMIC COUNCIL

Potter College - No Report
Ogden College - No Report
Business College - No Report
Education College - No Report
Graduate College - No Report

COUNCIL ON ORG. AFFAIRS

No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The following Resolutions were up for second reading: 97-2-F “Crosswalk at Dogwood Dr.”, 97-3-F “Student Health Center Sign”, 97-4-F “Installation of Peep hole in Coed Halls”, and 97-6-F “Reinstating the Ten Point Grade Scale.” A motion was made to table Resolution 97-2-F until Student Affairs could do more research on it. Motion was seconded and passed. Resolutions 97-3-F, 97-4-F and 97-6-F all passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Christoph Miller was nominated for Public Relations and Student Affairs Vice Chairperson and Tara Logsdon was nominated as Hillraisers Vice Chairperson. Motion was made to accept these candidates by acclamation. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Two people ran for the position of Rodes Hall Representative; Melissa Lee and Carla Givens. Carla Givens was elected by majority of the vote.

A motion was made to open the floor for nominations of Congress Member of the month. Motion was seconded and the floor was opened. Those nominated include Matt Bastin, Christoph Miller, Drew Harrell, Laura Hancock, Steven Graham, Kevin West and Tara Logsdon. Stephanie Cosby moved that nominations cease. It was seconded and nominations ceased.

Announcements

If anyone has anything that they want put in the Student Government scrapbook, please give it to Tara Logsdon. There is a College Republicans meeting Thursday at 6:00 p.m. in DUC room 305. Christoph Miller announced that he still needs committee summaries for The Gavel. Please turn them in ASAP.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jamie Fite
Secretary, 1997-1998