Minutes of the Student Government Association
November 3, 1998

Call to Order:
Executive Vice President Chad Lewis called the regular meeting of the Student Government Association to order at 5:04pm in the Congressional Chambers of the Downing University Center.

Roll Call:
Congress Member Kyle Matthews called roll. Those members absent included: Jason Nemes, Rick Malek, Sarah Duckworth, Jaqueline Ayers, Jennifer Conine, Brent Ditto, Bryan Daniel, Bill Brown, Lisa Ruble, Robert Lightning, John Tebault, Mike Wiatr, Michael Thompson, Sarah Kreicher, Brianne Dockins, Joshua Hampton, Mellisa Lane, Phillip Stanley, Arcentra Beasley, Amy Mothersbaugh, Courtney McNulty, Julie Beth Gray, Elizabeth Pemberton, James Mason, Jennifer Walstrom.

Minutes:
It was moved and seconded to suspend with the reading of the minutes. Motion Approved

Officer Reports:
President, Stephanie Cosby – The President gave an update on the sprinkler situation, she mentioned that several meetings are schedule in the near future to discuss the situation. The Council on Post Secondary Education is considering letting each of the state universities to set their own tuition. Stephanie said that this would give Western greater mobility to control our tuition. There will be at CPE meeting on Monday in Frankfort and Stephanie will be attending. Stephanie is also going to meet with CPE President Gordon Davies on Friday to discuss the sprinklers. Stephanie reminded everyone that there is a home football game this weekend and of Jamie Fite’s wedding in Nashville on Saturday night. Academic Council’s next meeting is going to be on November 19th at 3:30pm.

Executive Vice President, Chad Lewis – Chad reported that Provide-a-Ride use for last week was forty-three people and for the Thursday of October 22 fifty-nine people used it. The Vice-President also announced that there will be a guest speaker on November 10th at 7:00pm in DUC. Patrick Combs is being sponsored by SAA and will talk about “Majoring in Success.”

Vice President of Finance, Carleton Ruminer – Carleton announced that the previous account balance stood at $31,721.11. Expenditures for the week totaled $59.69 which leaves the account balance at $31,661.42.

Vice President of Public Relations, Brad Sweatt – PR Chairwoman Amanda Cole read Brad’s report in his absence. Brad mentioned that there will be no more pig roasts for the home football games due to the cooker blowing up over Homecoming. If any committee head needs an advertisement in the Herald, Brad reminded them he needs a week and half notice to place the ad. Brad reminded Congress that Pride Week is in full swing and he recognized everyone that was wearing an organizational T-shirt.

Vice President of Administration, Matt Bastin – Academic Vice Chair Kyle Matthews read Matt’s report in his absence. Matt announced that open positions are the Graduate and Business College’s and At-Large. Anyone wishing to serve on the Academic Complaint
Committees please see Matt. The Vice President mentioned that several members are close to three or more unexcused absences, if you can not make it to Congress please let Matt know, so that he can mark it excused. Do not forget the football and basketball games this weekend.

Committee Academic Affairs – Larry Murphy reminded everyone of the Coffeehouse on Thursday that his committee is sponsoring. He encouraged everyone to attend. His committee is also continuing to work on the requirements for the Excellence in Teacher awards. Larry encouraged everyone to attend his meetings on Thursday.

Legislative Research- Dwight announced that his committee discussed the following resolutions and recommends them to Congress for consideration Bill 98-8-F SGA Survey and Bill 98-9-F Organizational Aid Recipients. 98-15-F Publishing SGA Advisor Checklist in Schedule Bulletins and Bill 98-7-F Placing Ashtrays outside of all residence halls were postponed due to lack of authors.

Public Relations – Amanda’s committee is working on legislation ideas and doing research. The new bulletin boards should be up next week. She reminded everyone to wear their red on Friday, for Pride Week.

Student Affairs – Tim said that his committee has agreed to work in conjunction with Institutional Research to administer the SGA survey. Also they are awaiting word from the Career Services Center for help with the camp fair. They also worked on discussion for legislation.

Campus Improvements – Laura’s committee discussed the placing of ashtrays outside residence halls legislation, copy machine uniformity, and funding lighting at various places on campus. They have also agreed to work on the placement of campus phones outside of the residence halls.

Hillraisers – Sally got everyone pumped up for the basketball season, she said that her committee is working with Coach Felton to go and speak to many of the campus organizations and stress the importance of attending the games. Sally also said that the last two home football games are very important and that many students need to show up.

Academic Council Reports: Potter College, Jason Nemes – No Report
Ogden College, Mandy Coates – No Report
Business College, Open – No Report
Education College, Christen Gibbs – No Report
Graduate College, Open – No Report

C.O.A. Meeting next week, November 10, 1998 @ 3:30pm in DUC 305

Special Orders: Two new members were sworn in to Congress. Nathan Hopper for At-Large and Christen Gibbs for Education College. A motion was made to accept them and it was seconded. Motion approved. President Stephanie Cosby swore in the new members.

Nominations were opened again on the floor for Congress and Committee members of the month. After discussion on each nominee a hand vote was taken. Matt Bogard was selected as Committee member of the month, and Amanda Kirby as Congress member of the month.
Congress minutes

Unfinished Bill 98-8-F SGA Survey was read for second reading. Author Tim Hatton spoke in favor of the bill. Adam Howard made a motion to amend to capitalize the "g" in the therefore clause. Amendment was seconded and approved. Adam Howard made a motion to approve Bill 98-8-F as amended and it was seconded. Motion approved.

Bill 98-9-F was read for second reading. Stephanie Cosby made an amendment to delete "Honors Student Society" seeing that it appeared twice in the bill. The motion was seconded and approved. Dwight Campbell called previous question and it was approved. Adam Howard moved to accept Bill 98-9-F as amended and it was seconded. Motion approved.

New Business: The following piece of legislation was read for second reading, Resolution 98-16-F Campus Phones Outside Residence Halls.

Announcements: Christoph Miller called for a brief meeting with the Committee Heads. Tim Hatton called for a brief meeting with the Student Affairs Committee. William Jones announced that the Student Government Association has been presented with a Certificate of Appreciation from W.O.W. Conference.

Adjournment: Adam Howard made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 5:48pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matthew D. Bastin
VP of Administration, 1998-1999
Kyle Matthews
Congress Member