**Senate Meeting Minutes**

Sixteenth Meeting of the Twenty-First Senate – Tuesday, 18 January 2022

Before the Meeting was called to order, Dr. Terrance Brown spoke to the members of SGA about his role as Dean of Potter College of Arts and Letters. Dr. Brown detailed his goals at WKU including celebrating academic diversity, incorporating experiential learning, and expanding community involvement. He encouraged SGA to think outside of the box and keep listening to the student body. Dr. Brown can be reached at [Terrance.brown@wku.edu](mailto:Terrance.brown@wku.edu).

1. **Call to Order**
   1. The meeting was called to order at 5:21 PM.
2. **Roll Call**
   1. Thirty senators were present.
3. **Approval of Minutes**
   1. The previous week’s minutes were unanimously approved.
4. **Guest and Student Speakers**
   1. Dr. Bella Mukonyora spoke to the members of SGA about an upcoming conference exploring the relationship between religion and environment. In addition, she encouraged the members of SGA to connect with local churches who are organizing food distribution and relief efforts. Dr. Mukonyora can be reached at [bella.mukonyora@wku.edu](mailto:bella.mukonyora@wku.edu).
   2. Sen. Bornefeld moved to suspend the bylaws. Seconded.
      1. Motion approved.
   3. Sen. Bornefeld moved to change Bill 1-22-S to Unfinished Business. Seconded.
      1. Time was allowed for debate. One speech in affirmation was given.
      2. Motion approved.
   4. Sen. Pierce moved to resume the bylaws. Seconded.
      1. Motion approved.
   5. Sen. Z. Skillman moved to limit officer reports, committee reports, Faculty Senate reports, special orders, and speeches in affirmation or negation to two minutes each. Seconded.
      1. Motion approved.
5. **Officer Reports**
   1. President Matthew Wininger
      1. Welcome back! Please use email sent out to set up meeting through website or linktree
      2. Beginning work on comprehensive student resource handbook, reach out if interested
   2. Executive Vice President Me’Lon Craighead
      1. RSO quiz on iWKU app has been passed
      2. Reach out with input for iWKU app
      3. Will be meeting with committees more this semester
      4. Reach out if interested in Faculty Awards Committee
   3. Administrative Vice President Reed Breunig
      1. Thank you to everyone who filled out evaluations
      2. Exec office hours are posted in office, will be sent out
   4. Director of Public Relations Alexis Courtenay
      1. Always have things to do if you need office hours
      2. Please send in pictures wearing polos around campus
      3. Please email if wanting to table
      4. Please like and share Instagram posts
   5. Director of Information Technology Jamison Moorehead
      1. Legislative Archive, Exec Minutes, Legislative Minutes, and Senate page have been updated
      2. Committee heads – please reach out to go over website information
      3. Exec office hours will be posted on website
   6. Director of Enrollment and Student Experience Tribhuwan Singh
      1. Thanks to Enrollment and Student Experience Committee for help with scholarships last semester
   7. Speaker of the Senate Tess Welch
      1. November office hours due Friday 1/21/22
      2. Student Advising Survey will be sent out 1/24/22 – Please fill out and encourage others to do so
      3. Pick up Christmas Cards in office
      4. Will be meeting with committees soon
      5. Spring 2022 Election – Start thinking about positions
         1. Application due 4/8/22
         2. Campaigning 4/11/22-4/15/22
         3. Election 4/18/22-4/19/22
6. **Committee Reports**
   1. Legislative Operations – Addison McCoun
      1. Weekly Meeting: Wednesday at 5:30 PM in Conference Room
      2. Legislation due by Wednesdays at 5:00 PM
      3. Please be reaching out to and collaborating with students
   2. Enrollment and Student Experience – Shelby Robertson
      1. Weekly Meeting: Tuesday at 4:00 PM
      2. Sen. Wells bookstore bill up for first read soon
      3. Working on student abroad policy resolution and free teeth cleaning
   3. Outreach and Student Experience – Calleigh Powell
      1. Weekly Meeting: Monday at 5:00 PM in Alexis Courtenay’s office
      2. January/February event calendar will be sent out soon
      3. Working on welcome back goodie bags
      4. Will be back to tabling schedule soon
   4. Campus Improvements and Sustainability – Zachary Skillman
      1. Weekly Meeting: Tuesday at 4:00 PM
      2. Women’s basketball cleanup benefitting GreenToppers coming up
   5. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion – Olivia Blackmon
      1. Weekly Meeting: Tuesday at 4:00 PM
      2. February is Black History Month – working on Jonesville display and supporting other RSO events
      3. ISEC Micro-Grant application open through 1/19/22
      4. Breaking Down Barriers Multicutural Retreat 2/26/22 11:00 AM-6:30PM in Augenstein Alumni Center, application due 2/15/22
      5. Black History Month events will be on OSE Event Calender
   6. Student Mental Health and Wellbeing – Alex Cissell
      1. Weekly Meeting: Monday at 5:00 PM in Conference Room
      2. Excited to get started on new ideas
      3. Reach out if you need anything!
7. **Special Orders**
   1. Judicial Council – Chief Justice Holden Schroeder
      1. JC will be reviewing outstanding absences
      2. Judicial Bylaws Committee will begin work next week
      3. Turn in office hours
   2. University Committee Reports
      1. Student Life Foundation – EVP Craighead
         1. Meredith Hall Chapter Rooms will soon be converted for student training and programming
      2. Committee on Academic Quality – Olivia Feck
         1. Discussed post-tenure reviews, departmental annual and triannual reviews, and academic dishonesty policies
      3. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Workgroup – Jesse Banales
         1. Tentative ISEC equivalent for graduate students, meeting space for NPHC organizations, and renaming committee
      4. Student Engagement Committee – Aniya Johnson
         1. Discussed Commons timeline, increased availability of dietary information, and “share a swipe”-type initiative
8. **Unfinished Business**
   1. Bill 1-22-S. Relief Funding for the food pantry in the WKU Office of Sustainability
      1. Introduced by Sens. Bornefeld and Z. Skillman
      2. Time was allowed for questions.
         1. Sen. Baum moved to amend the bill by increasing funding to $1000.
         2. Taken as friendly.
      3. Time was allowed for debate. Three speeches in affirmation were given.
      4. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      5. Bill 1-22-S passed.
9. Adjournment
   1. Sen Baum motioned to adjourn. Seconded.
   2. Meeting adjourned at 5:59 PM.