**Senate Meeting Minutes**

Twenty-Second Meeting of the Twenty-First Senate – Tuesday, 1 March 2022

Before the meeting was called to order, Dr. Christopher Shook spoke to the members of SGA about his role as Dean of the Gordon Ford College of Business. He discussed recent changes and future initiatives the College hopes to implement in the coming years. Dr. Shook can be reached at [christopher.shook@wku.edu](mailto:christopher.shook@wku.edu).

1. **Call to Order**
   1. Speaker Welch called the meeting to order at 5:40 PM.
2. **Roll Call** 
   1. Thirty senators were present.
3. **Approval of Minutes**
   1. The previous week’s minutes were approved.
4. **Guest and Student Speakers**
   1. Sen. Srivastava moved to suspend the Bylaws. Seconded. Approved.
      1. Moved to change Resolution 8-22-S to unfinished business
5. Sen. Bornefeld moved to amend the motion by adding Bill 15-22-S. Taken as friendly.
   * 1. Time was allowed for debate. One speech in favor was given.
     2. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
     3. Motion approved.
   1. Sen. Cissell moved to postpone Bill 14-22-S to next week’s meeting. Seconded.
      1. Time was allowed for debate. One speech in affirmation was given.
      2. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      3. Motion approved.
   2. Sen. Baum moved to limit officer reports to two minutes, nomination speeches to two minutes, and debate to two speeches per side. Seconded.
      1. Time was allowed for debate. One speech in affirmation was given.
      2. Motion approved.
   3. Sen. Baum moved to resume the Bylaws. Seconded. Approved.
   4. Spirit Master Meet and Greet 3/2/22
   5. Applications for Honors College Positions now open
   6. Thanks for supporting GoFundMe
6. **Officer Reports**
   1. President Matthew Wininger
      1. Nominated Ataullah Tahiri for Senator.
         1. Tahiri spoke on his qualifications and desire to serve on SGA.
         2. Time was allowed for questions and debate. Two speeches in affirmation were given.
         3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
         4. Nomination approved.
      2. Nominated Tramaine Hawkins for Senator.
         1. Hawkins spoke on his qualifications and desire to serve on SGA.
         2. Time was allowed for questions and debate. One speech in affirmation was given.
         3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
         4. Nomination approved.
   2. Executive Vice President Me’Lon Craighead
      1. Nominated the following senators to serve on their respective commitees: Hopkins – Faculty Welfare and Professional Responsibilities, Srivastava – DEI Workgroup, and Mishchuk – Faculty Senate
         1. Time was allowed for questions and debate. Two speeches in affirmation were given.
         2. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
         3. Nominations approved.
      2. Current Vacancies: Academic Calendar, Colonnade General Education, RSO Matchmaker Taskforce
   3. Administrative Vice President Reed Breunig
      1. Encourage RSOs to apply for Organizational Aid
   4. Director of Public Relations Alexis Courtenay
      1. Plenty of the office hour opportunities, please stop by to help
   5. Speaker of the Senate Tess Welch
      1. Turn in February Office Hours
      2. We are here to be a bridge for students and resolve conflict positively
   6. Secretary of the Senate Elizabeth DeLozier
      1. Please send in reports
7. **Committee Reports**
   1. Legislative Operations – Addison McCoun
      1. Weekly Meeting: Wednesday at 5:30 PM
      2. Google Drive has been updated
      3. Check minutes for LOC homework
      4. Bills coming soon
   2. Enrollment and Student Experience – Shelby Robertson
      1. Weekly Meeting: Tuesday at 4:30 PM
   3. Outreach and Student Experience – Calleigh Powell
      1. Weekly Meeting: Monday at 5:00 PM in Alexis Courtenay’s Office
      2. March event calendar coming soon
      3. Reach out for tabling opportunities
   4. Campus Improvements and Sustainability – Zachary Skillman
      1. Weekly Meeting: Tuesday at 4:15 PM in DSU 3029
   5. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion – Olivia Blackmon
      1. Weekly Meeting: Tuesday at 4:30 PM in DSU 2124
      2. Happy Women’s History Month
      3. Civil Rights Trip to Alabama 2022
         1. Birmingham, Montgomery, and Selma
         2. 4/1/22-4/3/22, excused from classes
         3. $25 to Department of Political Science, third floor Grise Hall
         4. first come, first serve, deadline March 28
         5. Questions – Dr. Sandra Curry, [Saundra.ardrey@wku.edu](mailto:Saundra.ardrey@wku.edu)
      4. Tea and Coffee Hour – 3/7/22 HCIC 1001 5:00 PM
      5. BCM International Student Game Night Thursdays at 7:00 PM
      6. Exposure Spring Showcase 3/4/22 DSU Auditorium 5:30 PM
      7. NPHC Stroll Off 4/1/22 6:20 PM DSU Auditorium
      8. Greek Life Blood Donation 4/18-4/20 in Preston
      9. Please support any efforts to aid Ukraine you see in campus organizations (I can give contact info)
   6. Student Mental Health and Wellbeing – Alex Cissell
      1. Weekly Meeting: Monday at 5:00 PM
      2. Bill 14-22-S needs some revision before voting
8. **Special Orders**
   1. Judicial Council – Chief Justice Holden Schroeder
      1. JC Ruling – clarification of serving on SGA for “full year” requires appointment within first two weeks of first senate meeting of fall semester
   2. RSO Matchmaker Task Force – Preston Romanov
      1. Goals is to help new students find RSOs through survey
      2. Reach out if interested
   3. Oath of Office – Chief Justice Schroeder
      1. Sens. Hawkins and Tahiri were sworn in
   4. Senator of the Month – Tess Welch
      1. Voting – Sen. Bornefeld awarded February Senator of the Month
9. **Unfinished Business**
   1. Bill 13-22-S. A Bill to Amend the Student Government Association Constitution
      1. Authors rescinded veto override.
   2. Resolution 8-22-S. Resolution to Support LGBTQ Outreach and Training by WKU Police
      1. Introduced by Sen. Srivastava.
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate.
      3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      4. Resolution approved.
   3. Bill 15-22-S. Funding for the Intercultural Student Engagement Center (ISEC) Women’s History Month Tabling.
      1. Introduced by Sen. Powell.
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate.
         1. Sen. Baun moved to amend by ending the last whereas clause with a period to replace “, and” Taken as friendly.
      3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      4. Bill approved.
10. **New Business**
    1. Bill 14-22-S. Funding for Mental Health Awareness Week in April 2022.
    2. Bill 16-22-S. A Bill to Amend the Student Government Association Constitution
    3. Bill 17-22-S. A Bill to Support the Adoption of the General Procedural Rules of the Judicial Council
11. **Announcements**
    1. Charles Booker visiting WKU 3/3/22 in DSU Nite Class
    2. Pres. Wininger discussed reasons for multiple vetoes
    3. Mental Health First Aid Course – Sen. Feck
    4. Pan Council Tabling 3/8/22 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
    5. Reach out to EVP Craighead or Sen. Romanov if interested in RSO Matchmaker Taskforce
    6. Review JC Procedural Rules before voting next week!
12. **Adjournment**
    1. Sen. Baum moved to adjourn. Seconded. Approved.
    2. Meeting adjourned at 6:33 PM.