**Senate Meeting Minutes**

Twenty-Sixth Meeting of the Twenty-First Senate – Tuesday, 29 March 2022

Before the meeting was called to order, Dr. David Brown spoke to the members of SGA about his role as Dean of the Ogden College of Science and Engineering. He discussed the college’s various programs and departments, as well as initiatives for the future. Dr. Brown can be contacted at david.brown@wku.edu.

1. **Call to Order** 
   1. Speaker Welch called the meeting to order at 5:27 PM.
2. **Roll Call**
   1. Thirty-two senators were present.
3. **Guest and Student Speakers**
   1. Sen. Cissell moved to suspend the Bylaws. Seconded. Approved.
   2. Sen. Cissell moved to change Bill 38-22-S to Unfinished Business. Seconded.
      1. Time was allowed for debate. One speech in favor was given.
      2. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      3. Motion approved.
   3. Sen. Bornefeld moved to change Bill 39-22-S to Unfinished Business. Seconded.
      1. Time was allowed for debate. One speech in favor was given.
      2. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      3. Motion approved.
   4. Sen. Baum moved to consolidate the introduction, questioning, debate, and voting of Bills 26-22-S, 27-22-S, 29-22-S, 30-22-S, 32-22-S, 33-22-S, 34-22-S, and 35-22-S, and to consolidate the introduction, questioning, debate, and voting of Bills 25-22-S, 28-22-S, 31-22-S, and to relocate the aforementioned bills to the end of Unfinished Business on the meeting’s agenda. Seconded.
      1. Time was allowed for debate. One speech in favor was given.
      2. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      3. Motion approved.
   5. Sen. Robertson moved to limit officer reports to two minutes and limit debate to two speeches per side. Seconded.
      1. Sen. Baum moved to amend the motion by exempting bills pertaining to Constitutional or Bylaw Changes. Seconded. Taken as friendly.
      2. Time was allowed for debate. One speech in favor was made.
      3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      4. Motion approved.
   6. Sen. Baum moved to resume to the Bylaws. Seconded. Approved.
   7. If you had reached out about Mental Health First Aid, please send availability to Sen. Feck for scheduling.
   8. Sen. Pierce moved to award office hours to attendants of WKU Police Self-Defense Class 3/31/22. Seconded. Approved.
4. **Officer Reports**
   1. Executive Vice President Me’Lon Craighead
      1. Nominated Sen. Glaser to Academic Calendar Committee.
         1. Time was allowed for questions and debate.
         2. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
         3. Approved.
      2. All committees are now full!
   2. Speaker of the Senate Tess Welch
      1. Election Applications due 4/8/22
      2. Banquet 4/5/22 at Gerard’s
         1. Reach out if you need a ride!
      3. Please reach out to takeover Advising Improvement Initiative
5. **Committee Reports**
   1. Legislative Operations – Addison McCoun
      1. Weekly Meeting: Wednesday at 5:30 PM
      2. All legislation due 4/6/22 at 5:00 PM
   2. Enrollment and Student Experience – Shelby Robertson
      1. Weekly Meeting: Tuesday at 4:30 PM
      2. Upward Bound Panel 4/16/22 9:00-9:55 AM; 11:00-11:55 AM
   3. Outreach and Student Experience – Calleigh Powell
      1. Weekly Meeting: Monday at 5:00 PM in Alexis Courtenay’s Office
      2. Reach out for tabling
      3. Hilltopper Hunt 4/1/22, $5 or 3 canned goods
   4. Campus Improvements and Sustainability – Zachary Skillman
      1. Weekly Meeting: Tuesday at 4:15 in DSU 3029
      2. Working on Earth Day Celebration
   5. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion – Olivia Blackmon
      1. Weekly Meeting: 4:30 in DSU 2124
      2. Global Fest and International Dance event coming up
6. **Special Orders**
   1. Judicial Council – Chief Justice Holden Schroeder
      1. Election Codes Meeting 4/6/22 and 4/7/22 on Zoom at 7:30 PM (mandatory if seeking reelection)
      2. Election Codes
         1. Time was allowed for questions and debate.
         2. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
         3. Approved.
   2. Faculty Welfare and Professional Responsibilities Committee – Tyler Hopkins
      1. Updating handbook for post-tenure review
      2. Drafting joint resolution regarding salary compensation
   3. Committee on Academic Quality – Olivia Feck
      1. Working on academic integrity statement
   4. RSO Matchmaker Taskforce – Me’Lon Craighead and Preston Romanov
      1. Attend meetings for office hours!
   5. Senator of the Month – Tess Welch
      1. Voting
      2. Congratulations to Sen. Mishchuk!
7. **Unfinished Business**
   1. Bill 24-22-S. Funding for the creation of second SGA-sponsored workshop in coordination with the WKU Center of Financial Success
      1. Introduced by Sens. Baum and Collins.
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate. One speech in favor was given.
      3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      4. Bill passed.
   2. Bill 37-22-S. A Bill to Provide Funding for Hope Harbor
      1. Introduced by Sen. Srivastava.
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate.
      3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      4. Bill passed.
   3. Resolution 11-22-S. Resolution to Support the Expansion of the Modern Languages Department Course Offerings
      1. Introduced by Sen. Blackmon, Hopkins, Srivastava, and Willett
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate. Two speeches in favor and one speech against were given.
      3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      4. Resolution passed.
   4. Bill 38-22-S. Funding for T-Shirts for the Counseling Center’s Sexual Assault Prevention Month Events
      1. Introduced by Sen. Cissell
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate. One speech in favor was given.
      3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      4. Bill passed.
   5. Bill 39-22-S. A bill to amend the Constitution
      1. Introduced by Sens. Bornefeld and Glaser
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate. Three speeches in favor and three speeches against were given.
      3. Sen. Robertson called the previous question. Seconded.
         1. One speech in favor and one speech against were given.
         2. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
         3. Motion failed.
      4. Debate continued. Three speeches in favor and three speeches against were given.
      5. Sen. Collins called the previous question. Seconded.
         1. Time was allowed for debate.
         2. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
         3. Motion approved.
      6. Bill passed.
   6. Bill 25-22-S. A Bill to Amend the Bylaws of the Student Government Association Senate, Bill 28-22-S. To Amend the Legislative Bylaws of the Student Government Association, and Bill 31-22-S. A Bill Amend the Bylaws of the Student Government Association.
      1. Introduced by Sen. Baum and McCoun
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate.
      3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      4. Bills passed.
   7. Bill 26-22-S. A Bill to Amend the Constitution of the Student Government Association, Bill 27-22-S. A Bill to Amend the Constitution of the Student Government Association, Bill 29-22-S. A Bill to Amend the Constitution of the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University, Bill 30-22-S. A Bill To Amend the Constitution of the Student Government Association, Bill 32-22-S. A Bill to Amend the Constitution of the Student Government Association, Bill 33-22-S. A Bill to Amend the Constitution of the Student Government Association, Bill 34-22-S. A Bill to Amend the Constitution of the Student Government Association, and Bill 35-22-S. A Bill to Amend the Student Government Association’s Constitution.
      1. Introduced by Sen. Baum and McCoun
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate.
      3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      4. Bills passed.
8. **New Business**
   1. Bill 40-22-S. Funding for the Hardin Planetarium.
   2. Resolution 12-22-S. Resolution to Support the Addition of Benches on South Lawn.
9. **Announcements**
   1. Tax Workshop 4/7/22
   2. Wesley Foundation Late Night Pancakes 4/7/22 11:00 PM – 1:00 AM
   3. Self-Defense Class 4/7/22
   4. Global Fest 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM 3/30/22
   5. Dance Big Red Friday 4/1/22
   6. Repost scholarship graphic!
10. **Adjournment**
    1. Sen. Mishchuk moved to adjourn. Seconded. Approved.
    2. Meeting adjourned at 6:59 PM.