WKU SGA Student Senate Minutes

October 19, 2010

The 8th meeting of the 9th Senate of the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University was called to order at 5:23pm on Tuesday October 19, 2010 with the Speaker of the Senate in the chair.

There were 32 Senators present.

Absent Senators were Hummer, Patel, Woosley.

The minutes from October 12, 2010 were approved with one amendment.

 *Senator Stillwell noted that last week’s minutes stated that October 12, 2010 was the 6th meeting of the 9th Senate when in fact it was the 7th meeting of the 9th Senate.*

*Guest Speaker*

**Sharon Ercey – Counseling & Testing Center**

* Numerous CLEP examinations are available. Please pick up the available literature if you should desire to take any of these examinations.
* Guidelines have recently changed and all students are allowed to take these exams regardless of year in school.
* Email or call Sharon if you have any questions.

*Officer Reports*

**President – Colton Jessie**

* Safety Walk next week
	+ Assistant Chief Police will be coming meeting at 6pm
* New cups are here!
	+ Each Senator

**Executive Vice President – Kendrick Bryan**

* Dine with Decision Makers is scheduled for Tuesday, December 7. A number of lawmakers have been invited, and Secretary of State Trey Grayson's office has confirmed that he will attend. Colton and I are working to expand the event. Last year's event was quite successful.
* The Study Away application deadline was Friday. We are considering the applicants.
* Go to the Homecoming concert on Oct. 28. It features Josh Turner and Brantley Gilbert.

**Administrative Vice President – Wade Pierce**

* Org Aid bill up tonight
* Org Aid meetings this week
* Scholar Development Grant bill up as well

**Speaker of the Senate – Austin Wingate**

* NO REPORT

*Staff Reports*

**Chief of Staff – Charlie Harris**

* Working with Wade to get the opinion of the faculty about purchasing scantrons. Hope that they will be both cheaper and sustainable.
* Design for Fair Trade tshirts is ready. Senators are guaranteed one of these.Please also bring in a warm item ofclothing to donate during this event.

**Public Relations Director – Jessica Wurth**

* Provide-A-Ride posters are ready; waiting on quotes on other printing companies
	+ Looking for cheaper avenue for printing

**Director of Academic and Student Affairs – Billy Stephens**

* Dine with Decision Makers December 7, 2010
* Working on Hall of Distinguished Senior applications
	+ Want those on the website in the coming month

**Director of Information Technology – Cory Dodds**

* NO REPORT

*Committee Reports*

**Academic Affairs Committee– Brandon Logan**

* Bill up for first read tonight
* Please come to committee meetings
	+ Need more attendance to these

**Campus Improvements Committee– Kaylee Egerer**

* Today was Campus Clean Up
	+ Approximately 35 people attended; there were a few speakers beforehand as well
	+ Flowerbed in front of PFT filled an entire garbage bag of cigarette butts
* Campus Safety Walk next week right after Senate
	+ Walk will be in place of the committee meeting
* Will meet tonight after down in the SGA office

**Legislative Research Committee– Eileen Forsythe**

* Lots of legislation this week
* Committee heads please be sending someone from your committee to my meetings to discuss legislation

**Public Relations – Ann-Blair Thornton**

* Meetings Thursday 5:30 outside Senate chambers

**Student Affairs – Emmy Woosley**

*Special Orders*

**University Athletics Committee – Kaylee Egerer & Billy Stephens**

* Looking at schedules of athletes again; making sure they are not missing too many classes
* Look at the new NCAA handbook with recruiting rules

**University Senate**

* + Will meet This Thursday
	+ Will be talking about new “Scantrons” this week; 100% recyclable material

**Judicial Council Report**

 No REPORT

**Bowling Green City Commission**

 NO REPORT

**Senator Johns:**

* Signup sheets for the new volunteer opportunity with the elementary school

**Senator Preston**

* Battalion Run flyers passed out
* Some proceeds to Wounded Warriors Foundation; please fill these out $10 for t-shirt and for run registration
* Thursday morning at 6:30am
* If interested, please fill out and bring back , we really appreciate it.

*Unfinished Business*

No business this evening

*New Business*

* Please review all of the Presidential appointments as well as the new legislation (both bills and resolutions). Refer to this week’s agenda to read these pieces of legislation in their entirety. These will be voted on during the next regularly scheduled meeting.

*Questions and Announcements*

**Parliamentarian Christina Davidson**

* looked into “blanket voting”
	+ No such procedure exists.
	+ One either must vote by acclamation with an author’s read (skip question and answer session) or vote in regular fashion (author’s speech, pros/cons, discussion, etc)

**President Colton Jessie**

* Met with Dean’s council meeting about undergraduate perspective on graduate students teaching
	+ This was a very successful and meaningful discussion.

**Speaker Austin Wingate**

* Please don’t leave any trash behind in the new theatre.

The meeting adjourned at 5:44pm on Tuesday October 19, 2010.

Katie Stillwell, Secretary of the Senate

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