The Student Government Association General Senate Meeting Minutes February 11th, 2025 ♦ 7:15pm ♦ Held on Teams Video



Call to Order: 7:21pm

Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes:

- Motion to Approve Last Meeting's Minutes:
 - - Student Leadership And Involvement Seconded 2/4 pMinutes
 - o Approved, the minutes are approved

Public Comment:

• There was no one for public comment

Forming Clubs and Organizations:

• No orgs presented to the senate for ten minutes.

Officer Reports:

Parliamentarian: Caleb Winters

- - SGA constitution draft is complete
 - This will be presented next week.

Public Relations Officer: Emma Holston

• - No report

Secretary: Aliza Greenfield

• - No report

Treasurer: Rachel Treiffesen

- Current Amounts in Accounts
 - o Operations without payroll- \$19,860
 - o Auxiliary- \$26,610
 - New Organizations- \$2,500
 - o Championships- \$3,000
 - o Public Safety- Still working on it

Vice President: Claire Shutack

- Committee Meeting Times:
 - Finance: Mon & Wednesday 3-5:45p Sykes 252A
 - Bylaw: Mondays at 7:30pPR: Mondays at 6pm
 - Outreach: Wednesdays 7:30pm

Student Trustee: Chris

• No report

President: McKenna Nugent

- Met with the Dean of Students
- Attended the DOSA pregame!
- Speaking at Inauguration 11am session
- Solidified some ideas for inauguration week

Committee Reports:

Bylaw Review Committee: Chaired Caleb Winters

• No report

Finance Committee: Chaired Rachel Treiffesen

- Next deadline is for \$1,000-\$9,999
 - o Due February 28th
- This week, we saw:
 - University Theatre
 - Club Baseball
 - o WCU-R

Outreach Committee: Chaired Lukas Williamson and Anamarie Toussaint

- Student & Community Leaders Roundtable: Tomorrow at 11:00AM-12:15PM in Phillips Autograph Library
 - Please come! Registration is low.

Public Relations Committee: Chaired by Emma Holston

• Check up on the Instagram

Advisor Report

Dr. Jass

• - Spoke about the process of reading names at commencement

Senator Reports

• Diversity and Multicultural Affairs: Jen Harter

- o Met with Campus Climate Intervention Team, CCIT.
 - Discussed recent executive orders and how they will affect our campus and also to discuss how the office for diversity, equity, and inclusion has been renamed the office of equal opportunity and compliance. This was done as an offensive move to protect DEI at WCU and to make sure students do not fear that DEI is being removed here.

■ University Libraries: Annie Wineka

- Met with Diedre Childs, Director of Public Services, and Amy Pajewski, Student Success Librarian, on February 10th.
 - Discussed the ideas brought forth by the Library Student Ambassadors back in December and thought about our goals and purposes for this committee. We sent out a poll and decided that LSA meetings will take place every other Friday from 9-10 am starting February 21st. For our first meeting, we will be looking over the charge and discussing what we can do to enhance the library for student organizations. Additionally, we scheduled a meeting with Kerry Walton, Associate Dean of University Libraries, to discuss possible social media takeovers and a newsletter for the library.

■ Dining Services: Derrick Addison

- o Met with Nick Ventrola, Resident District Manager for WCU Dining.
 - Discussed Dining services has been hosting events all semester including supper club. New Street Catering released their new catering menu for student organizations as well.

■ On Campus Housing: Nathan Shallack

- Met with the Director of Residence Life and Housing on February 10th.
 - Discussed several initiatives aimed at improving the on-campus student experience. One key topic was the potential placement of Byte Coolers, currently found on South Campus and in BPMC, into residence halls to provide students with a healthier late-night dining option. I plan to collaborate with Dining Senator Derrick Addison to explore the feasibility of this idea.
 - Additionally, Residence Life and Housing will be conducting a three-week national benchmark survey, which will not only collect data on students' experiences at WCU but also compare findings to other universities nationwide. This survey will assess various aspects of student life, including whether students know their RA, their awareness of campus resources, and their overall on-campus experience. The more participation we have, the more accurate and useful the data will be in shaping future policies and improvements. To maximize engagement, I am meeting with Leah, Derrick, and Stacy next Friday to discuss strategies for promoting the survey, such as tabling in residence halls and potential incentive options. I welcome any ideas or collaboration from fellow senators who may have insights on increasing student participation in this initiative.

- _ Legislative Affairs: Lukas Williamson
 - Met with Dr. Dietrich, the Executive Director for External Relations, on 2/9 & 2/10.
 - Discussed making final preparations for the Student and Community Leaders Roundtable tomorrow morning.

Unfinished Business:

• There was nothing for unfinished business.

New Business:

- Melena Walter was appointed to the senate as the ad-hoc OEA senate seat.
- Motion to open Senate Elections.
 - Seconded, Approved, Senate Elections are opened.
 - On Leo Bignault runs unopposed for Facilities Senator and is acclimated into the senate.
- Motion to close Senate Elections.
 - Seconded, Approved, Senate Elections are closed.

Discussion:

• There was nothing for open discussion

Announcements:

- - President: This week is Love is Love week. There will be a drag show this Friday Night.
- *Health and Wellness:* Heart to Heart: Exploring Love, Connection, and Self-Care on February 12th from 11:30-1:30 in the sykes ballrooms.
- *Diversity and Multicultural Affairs:* Filipino Student Alliance is having a Fundraiser for Valentine's Day selling bracelets, crochet flowers, and baked goods from 2-4:45, in Sykes on February 12th.

Closing Role Call

- In Attendance:
 - o President, McKenna Nugent
 - Vice President, Claire Shutack
 - o Parliamentarian, Caleb Winters
 - Secretary, Aliza Greenfield
 - Treasurer, Rachel Treffeisen
 - o Public Relations Chair, Emma Holston

- Student Trustee, Chris Needham
- College of Business and Public Management Senator, Ant Forgacic
- o College of Education and Social Work Senator, Lizzie Guidici
- College of Health Sciences Senator, Julia D'Achille
- College of the Sciences and Mathematics Senator, Rainna Liddington
- Wells School of Music, Miles Cressley
- o Honor's College Senator, Olivia McClain
- o Curriculum and Academic Policies (CAPC) Senator, Jasmine Stewart
- o Faculty Relations Senator, Avery McKnight
- Sustainability Senator, Alix Brewer
- o Athletics Senator, Lucas Henke
- o Campus health and wellness, Abby Hart
- Community Service Senator, Julia Vogt
- Dining Services Senator, Derrick Addison
- o Diversity and Multicultural Affairs, Jen Harter
- o First Generation, Kayden McCabe
- o Gender Equity Senator, Lauren Marsh
- Interfraternal Council (IFC) Senator, Luke Jackson
- o International Affairs Senator, Nina Liddington
- o Legislative Affairs, Lukas Williamson
- National Panhellenic Council (NPHC), Raven Davies
- New Student and Admissions Senator. Sarah Zeuke
- o Off Campus and Commuter Senator, Marcella Tate
- o On Campus Housing Senator, Nathan Schallack
- o Panhellenic Council Senator, Annie Strobeck
- o Parking and Public Safety, Alan Astimbay
- Recreation Senator, Liam Mautner
- o Sexuality Equity, Raina Wall-williams
- O Student Leadership and Involvement Senator, Noah Smith
- University Libraries, Annie Wineka
 - West Chester Community Senator, Anamarie Toussaint

