

# Student Government Association

## Meeting Minutes 8/22/2016

### I. Call to order

President Will Weber called to order the regular meeting of the NKU Student Government Association at 3:31 p.m. on August 22, 2016 in the Governance Room (SU 104).

### II. Roll call

Secretary of Administration Taylor Gagne conducted a roll call.

**Executive Team Present:** Chase Britt, Sami Dada, Miriam Davis, Taylor Gagne, Ethan Losier, Cindy Mentrup, Amanda Rogers, Emma Vincent, Will Weber, and Ellen Wilshire

**Senators Present:** Ben Anderson, Bradie Anderson, Iain Applebee, Dasia Bartlett, Ethan Bechtol, Evan Berkemeyer, Isaac Dailey, Ryan Gray, Becca Hepner, Walker Mettens, Onyi Okorie, Dejah Rawlings, Benjamin Sanning, Hope Sherman, Chelsea Smith, Maggie Smith, Jachelle Sologuren, Austin Stevenson, Spencer Sutton, Madison Vaughn, and Caroline Winstel

**Justices Present:** Jacob Englert, Haley Madden, and Walker Mettens

**Executive Members Absent:**

**Senators Absent:**

**Justices Absent:**

**Guests Present:** Dr. Dan Nadler, Gabe Kirk, and The Northerner

### III. Pledge of Allegiance

### IV. Reading of Minutes

- A. President Will Weber entertained a motion for the minutes to be approved. Senator Austin Stevenson sub-moves the motion and Senator Becca Hepner seconds. Vote taken, passes unanimously.

President Will Weber entertains a motion to move old business to the top of the agenda. Senator Austin Stevenson sub-moves the motion and Senator Spencer Sutton seconds. Vote taken, pass unanimously.

## **V. Old Business**

- A. Newly elected members who were not present for previous meeting are sworn in by President Will Weber.
- B. Senators Evan Berkemeyer and Mikaela Mustaine were sworn in.
- C. Justices Haley Madden and Jacob Englert were sworn in.
- D. Interim Chief Justice Ethan Losier is brought in front of the Senate to answer questions for two minutes.
  - a. No questions asked
- E. President Will Weber entertains a motion to call to question. Senator Spencer Sutton sub-moves the motion and it was seconded by Isaac Dailey. Vote taken, passes unanimously.

President Will Weber entertains a motion to move new business to the top of the agenda. Senator Becca Hepner sub-moves the motion and Senator Jachelle Sologuren seconds it. Vote taken, passes unanimously.

## **VI. New Business**

- A. New SGA Logo
  - Logo D won and it will be released next week.
  - Logo will be used for promotional materials including shirts, speakers, pens and pencils, and phone wallets w/ stand.
- B. Office Hour Selection
  - Chief of Staff Amanda Rogers passed around a sign-up sheet. Each senator was asked to select three times that worked with their schedule.

## **VII. Open Session**

- A. N/A

## **VIII. Executive Board Reports**

- A. Secretary of Public Relations, Sami Dada
  - The application for the five first year student seats is open. This application will be live until the 31<sup>st</sup> at 11:50pm.
  - Co-sponsoring New York Times being in the SU, so please PR this.
  - Sign-ups for the Step In Step Up table are being passed around in a Doodle poll. The event is from 11am-2pm on Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. The purpose of this event is to speak out against sexual assault on college campuses.
- B. Secretary of Student Involvement, Miriam Davis
  - We need four senators to show up every other Tuesday at noon for the Programming Activities Grant Board. These meetings will last about an hour.
- C. Secretary of Administration, Taylor Gagne

- Reminder that shorts are not in dress code and you must be wearing dress shoes. This week is just a warning.
  - Everything is as up-to-date as possible on the website.
- D. Vice President, Ellen Wilshire
- The monthly newsletter is currently in the process of being created. We will be including a senator of the month.
- E. President, Will Weber
- Everyone please Norse Up at least once
  - Have a great first week back
  - Thanks to Sarah for the banner hanging outside the SGA office
  - Pictures are tentatively set for next week
  - We have two guests next week

## **IX. Committee Reports**

- A. Student Rights Committee, Emma Vincent
- Met with Ann on Friday
  - We will not be meeting this week as a committee
- B. University Improvements Committee, Chase Britt
- Welcome back to school
  - We will be typically start meeting before meetings
- C. Academic Affairs Committee, Cindy Mentrup
- Happy Monday
  - Short meeting after the Senate adjourns

## **X. Ex-Officio Reports**

- A. ACR Liaison Dana Jetter
- ACR hosts events, builds community, and helps to foster leadership skills.
  - Paint Wars is Saturday, Aug 27<sup>th</sup> at 2pm!
  - Our elections for senators start soon. There are two spots per residence hall.
- B. VSA Liaison Holly Smith
- Norse VETS is at 6:30 on the 31<sup>st</sup>. This is a great way to help veterans who are coming back to school feel more comfortable on campus.
  - T-Shirts are on sale for \$22 a piece. I will bring a shirt with me next Monday.
  - On Friday, we will have someone from the VA clinic coming to NKU. If you know someone who is interested in this service, please have them contact us to make sure that person is on campus.
  - If you want to be added to our listserv, let us know.

- We are holding a DAV 5k on November 5<sup>th</sup>.
- C. Chief of Staff, Amanda Rogers
  - You can table for your office hours
  - Each senator agreed to table for one hour during the freshmen election race
- D. Chief Justice, Ethan Losier
  - Thank you for confirming me
  - We have an empty justice and senator position

#### **XI. Advisors Reports**

- A. Head Advisor Sarah Aikman
  - Welcome back, I look forward to working with you all
- B. Advisor Ann James
  - Excited to work with everyone
- C. Advisor Dannie Moore
  - We are in the process of drafting a new diversity plan. There will be a committee to help with this that students will be sitting on. There is a brief application that will be sent out by Taylor in a link. 8/24 is the proposed deadline for the application

Dr. Nadler

- Hope you all have had a great start
- The tailgate was incredible yesterday, as well as beating the University of Kentucky. We set a stadium record for attendance.
- Thanks again for your willingness to serve the student body.

#### **XII. Announcements**

1. ACR will be at Deadpool tonight giving our cotton candy
2. University Improvements will be meeting today
3. Please remember to be aware of your surroundings and represent NKU as well as possible
4. NKU is hosting the Midwest African Student Organization Conference. This will be from 9/2-9/4. The fee is \$30 for NKU students and includes food.
5. Center for Student Inclusiveness is hosting Nacho Average Mixer on Wednesday at 3pm in the SU Ballroom.

#### **XIII. Adjournment**

Senator Austin Stevenson motions to adjourn and has a second from Senator Becca Hepner. Vote taken, 1 abstention. Meeting is adjourned at 4:22 pm.

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