

Student Government Association

Meeting Minutes 4/7/14

I. Call to order

President Erik Pederson called to order the regular meeting of the NKU **Student Government Association** at **3:30 p.m.** on April 7th, **2014** in NKU **Governance Room (SU104)**.

II. Roll call

Secretary of Administration Justin Wynne conducted a roll call.

Executive Board

Erik Pederson- President David Trump-Vice President Justin Wynne- Secretary of Administration Brandi Cunningham- Public Relations Megan Murray- Secretary of Student Involvement

Committee Chairs

Katie Cox - Academic Affairs Chair Kristian Johnson- University Improvements Chair Patrick Regan - Student Rights Chair Matt Frentz- Finance Chair

Legislative Liaison:

Chandler Taylor

Chief Justice:

Daniel Cieslak-- Late

Senators:

Elizabeth Akinade Megan Beckerich Clayton Castle Jean Clark

Andrew Dorriere Keisha Frazier Hannah French Kat Hahnel Sarah Howard Juliane Jendrollik Hannah Jones Eleanor Kremer Spenser Kern Camey Marshal Isaac McFarland

Amanda Rogers Elizabeth Ruwe Branden Schrenk Julia Steffen Donald Taylor Kyle Taylor Joey Yerace Jarrod West

Justices:

Jesse Wynne Nick Berra Christopher Walters Kyle Conley Approval of minutes from last meeting on March 31st, 2014. Minutes were **unanimously** approved.

III. Open Session

Zoe Welch- President of ACR Beautification Project – Boulder that can be painted in front of commons. Presenting plans to President Mearns Wednesday April 16th at 7:00 in SU109

IV. Executive Board Reports

a) Sec. of Public Relations, Brandi Cunningham

1) Town hall is tonight!

b) Sec. of Student Involvement, Megan Murray

1) No Report.

c) Sec. of Administration, Justin Wynne

1) Fee Allocation Presentation this Friday.

d) Vice President, David Trump

1) Please attend the Forum tonight!

e) President, Erik Pederson

1) Not Present.

V. <u>Committee Reports</u>

a) Finance Chair, Matt Frentz

- 1) Show up tonight and act professional!
- 2) Contact me if you are interested in reviewing tuition proposals.

b) Student Rights Chair, Patrick Reagan

1) No Report.

c) Academic Affairs Chair, Katie Cox

- 1) RSVP for the April 24th Banquet!
- 2) SGA Paul Meyers award will be selected by AA committee.
- 3) ASL Resolution coming on Monday!

4) New Attendance Policy – Miss the 1st day and you will be dropped if you fail to notify teacher.

d) University Improvements Chair, Kristian Johnson

1) Faculty will be attending next meeting to review Safety Walk findings so please dress and act accordingly!

VI. <u>Ex-Officio Reports</u>

a) ACR Liaison

1) No Report

b) Legislative Liaison, Chandler Taylor

1) Deadline for Resolutions is tomorrow!

c) Judicial Council Chief Justice, Daniel Cieslak

1) Official announcement of Grievance Hearing will come by Wednesday.

VII. Advisor Reports

a) Dean of Students, Dr. Jeff Waple

- 1) Not Present
- b) Sarah Aikman
 - 1) Not Present

c) Danny Moore

1) No Report

VIII. Old Business

No Old Business

IX. <u>New Business</u>

No New Business

X. Announcements

- Forum Today! Survey Reached 2,300 Students and 800 Staff
- Have people apply for book grants!
- Breaking Ground was a really good experience, thank you SGA for the sponsorship.
- International Dinner is this Saturday 4:30- 8:30

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by **Senator Chandler Taylor, 2nded** by **Senator Joey Yerace**; **Matt Frentz oppose adjournment. Vice President David Trump adjourned** the meeting at **4:16 p.m.**

Minutes compiled by: Justin Wynne, SGA Secretary of Administration

Email #1 From: Northern Kentucky University <<u>KISKADENC@nku.edu</u>> Date: To: student@nku.edu Subject: Important Student Notice -- Course Evaluations Now Available

Dear NKU Student:

The opportunity to provide feedback about your courses this semester via NKU's online course evaluation website is now available. Instructions for completing evaluations are provided below, and the evaluations are available until <<DATE>> and <<TIME>>. Several reminder emails will be provided in the coming days. Please review the important notes below.

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Instructions

- 1. Go to https://access.nku.edu/sacsei/login.php or select the "Evals" icon on the iNKU app.
- 2. Log in using your NKU USER ID and PASSWORD.
- Complete the evaluation for the courses listed (or opt-out by entering the evaluation and scrolling to the bottom of the evaluation and checking the box next to "I choose not to respond.")
- 4. Be sure you are satisfied with your responses, and then click SUBMIT to complete the evaluation.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to provide feedback; your participation helps NKU improve students' educational experience.

Sincerely,

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