



Student Government Association

Meeting Minutes 8/25/14

I. Call to order

President John Jose called to order the regular meeting of the **NKU Student Government Association** at **3:31 p.m.** on **August 25th, 2014** in **NKU Governance Room (SU104)**.

II. Roll call

Secretary of Administration Hannah Jones conducted a roll call.

Executive Board

John Jose- President
Katherine Hahnel- Vice President--*Late*
Hannah Jones- Secretary of Administration
Andrew Dorriere- Secretary of Student Involvement

Committee Chairs

Julia Steffen - Academic Affairs Chair
Patrick Reagan- University Improvements Chair
Elizabeth Ruwe - Student Rights Chair
Jarrod West- Finance Chair

Legislative Liaison:

Chandler Taylor

Chief Justice:

Tyler Stevens

Senators:

Hattie Clark
Kyle Conley
Tanner Elrod
Keisha Frazier
Laura Hahn
Aaron Hatfield
Sarah Howard

Justices:

Nicole Arduser
Hannah French
Rafael Torres

Kristian Johnson
Ellie Kremer
Isaac McFarland
Kylie Meiser
Ella Mravec
Nick Pflum
Rick Seal
Donald Taylor
Will Weber

Approval of minutes from last meeting on **April 28,2014**.
Minutes were **unanimously** approved.

III. Open Session

A. UCAP Presentation by Peg Adams

1. Programs & Services
 - One-on-one Referrals, Success Networks, SGA Retention Awards, Lending Library, MAP-Works.
2. MAP-Works Survey
 - KEY component to supporting students
 - 10-15 minute survey sent to student's e-mail
 - Academic, social, and emotional factors
 - Takes place September 3-24,2014 for first and second year students

B. Student Profiles and Dashboard Presentation by Vicki Natale

1. Executive Dashboard (fueltheflame.nku.edu)
 - Includes 5 major goals of the Strategic Plan
2. Enrollment growth by age groups
 - Students under 18 had the largest increase, followed by 18-19 year olds, 20-24 year olds, and 25 and older.
3. Unrepresented Minorities
 - 5.7% in 2003 went to school. In 2013, the number went up to 10.6%
4. Undergraduate Students Enrollment Status
 - Students who took 15 or more hours in 2013 were 43%
5. Percentage of first-time, full-time students living on campus:
 - In 2013, the number of students was 49%.
6. Undergraduate Kentucky students living within the 8 county service union:
 - It used to be relatively high, but in 2013 it dropped to 56%. We are starting to see more Ohio students and Southern Kentucky students.
7. Transfer student pathways
 - When it comes to the number of students who transfer in and who transfer out, we have a net gain of 1 student. In 2013, the number of students who transferred in was 799, whereas the transfer out number was 798.

8. The number of hours students work:
 - According to the 2013 survey, only 20% of freshman worked 20 hours a week or more. Seniors had 52%. We are starting to notice that not many incoming freshman have worked previously.
9. Academic Deficiencies
 - In 2013, 81% of the students here at NKU had no academic deficiencies.
10. Current students who have the Pell Grant
 - In 2012, it was recorded from the Financial Aid Office on campus that 42% of the students enrolled at NKU received the Pell Grant.
11. Retention rate between first to second year students:
 - In 2012, it was lower. The benchmark average was 75%; NKU's average was 67%; the Kentucky average, 69%.
12. Graduation rate
 - The graduation rate of undergraduate students at NKU was lower in 2012 than the benchmark and Kentucky averages. The benchmark average was 47%, the Kentucky average was 69%, and our average was 67%.
13. The growth in degrees
 - Within a 10 year change, NKU has more than doubled the Kentucky average of growth in degrees. We have increased to a powerful 40%, while the Kentucky average is 19%.

IV. Executive Board Reports

a) Sec. of Student Involvement, Andrew Dorriere

- 1) Drew Bamberger contacted him about getting a SGA team together for Relay for life. Very few people were interested.

b) Sec. of Administration, Hannah Jones

- 1) Happy Monday!
- 2) PLEASE respond to my e-mails, even if it is just a "K" just so I know I have the correct e-mails of everyone.
- 3) I am currently working on updating the website. Please send me the information I need to update bios ASAP!

c) Vice President, Kat Hahnel

- 1) She was late to meeting because Faculty Senate ran late. They are excited to see what kinds of resolutions we can come with this year.

d) President, John Jose

- 1) Welcome Back!
- 2) Kyle Taylor has officially resigned

- 3) Applications for Freshman Elections, PR Position, and the open spots of the Senate close on Friday.
- 4) He will present goals for the upcoming year at the next Regents meeting.
- 5) We need 2 Senators for the Transportation Committee. You must e-mail John if you are interested.
- 6) Presented Senator Nicole Arduser with an award for taking the most selfies at the retreat.

V. Committee Reports

a) Finance Chair, Jarrod West

- 1) Printing resolution is in the works and will be available within the next couple weeks.

b) Student Rights Chair, Elizabeth Ruwe

- 1) The committee is in contact with the LGTBQ office about gender-inclusive bathrooms.

c) Academic Affairs Chair, Julia Steffen

- 1) She has 5 committee members on her team and everyone is working on their own thing. They should have something within the next couple of weeks.

d) University Improvements Chair, Patrick Reagan

- 1) They are currently looking into a rain shelter for the bike racks as well as, a grace period for parking passes.

Ex-Officio Reports

a) ACR Liaison

- 1) ACR went to convention over the summer
- 2) Their beautification project is now complete. Go check out the boulder!

b) Legislative Liaison, Chandler Taylor

- 1) No report

c) Judicial Council Chief Justice, Tyler Stevens

- 1) No report because we will be going over the updated bylaws

VI. Advisor Reports

a) Dean of Students, Dr. Jeff Waple

- 1) 80 year-old grandpa just learned how to text
- 2) There are currently no guidelines to set up to appeal a grade so they are currently looking into that.

b) Sarah Aikman

- 1) No report

c) Danny Moore

- 1) Freshman Elections

VII. Old Business

Senator Will Weber motions to close Old Business. **Senator Jarrod West seconded.** Motion is **approved** unanimously.

Senator Chandler Taylor sub-moved appointment of Senator Patrick Reagan as University Improvements Committee Chair. **Senator Hattie Clark seconded.** **Senator Jarrod West neighed.** Motion **passes.**

VIII. New Business

First Reading of the Bylaws.

Senator Will Weber motions to close New Business. **Senator Elizabeth Ruwe seconded.** Motion **passes.**

IX. Announcements

- No announcements

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by **Senator Patrick Reagan, seconded by Senator Tyler Stevens;. President John Jose adjourned** the meeting at **5:00 p.m.**

Minutes compiled by: **Hannah Jones, SGA Secretary of Administration**