 **Student Government Association**

**Meeting Minutes 8/17/15**

I. **Call to order**

President Katherine Hahnel called to order the regular meeting of the NKU Student Government Association at 3:34 p.m. on August 17, 2015 in NKU Governance Room (SU104).

II. **Roll call**

Chief Justice Joseph Smith in place of Secretary of Administration conducted a roll call.

Executive Board

Katherine Hahnel – President

William Weber – Vice President

Joey Yerace – Secretary of Student Involvement

Sami Dada – Secretary of Public Relations

Waiting to be appointed – Secretary of Administration

Amanda Rogers – Finance Committee Chair

Julia Steffen – Student Rights Committee Chair

Ella Mravec – University Improvements Committee Chair

Donald Taylor – Academic Affairs Committee Chair

Joey Smith – Chief Justice

Kristian Johnson – Legislative Liaison

Senators:

Bartlett, Dasia

Blankenship, Brad

Britt, Chase

Brown, Grant

Case, Joseph

Cornes, Troy

Dieudone, Irakoze

~~Dixon, Cheryl~~ (excused)

Hatfield, Aaron

Hils, Maria

Marshall, Camey

Schaefer, Kaitlyn

Spenser, Matt

Stevenson, Austin

Wallingford, Taryn

West, Jarrod

Justices:

Loiser, Ethan

McGinnis, Michael

~~Mettens, Walker~~ (excused)

III. **Open Session**

1. Kim Turner Vice President of Student Affairs and Dean of Students presented on new Social Media Campaign, and announced some on it. Including Student Government involvement

President Katherine Hahnel entertains a motion to move New Business to the top of the agenda. Legislative Liaison Kristian Johnson motions, and Senator Donald Taylor seconds. Motion passes.

IV. **New Business**

1. Swearing in of Chief Justice Joseph Smith
2. Swearing in of remaining Senators Camey Marshall, and Grant Brown
3. The appointment of Julia Steffen to Committee Chairman of Student Rights
4. Julia Spoke
5. Legislative Liaison Kristian Johnson motions to approve, Jarrod West seconds.
6. Unanimously, Appointment approved
7. Goal Making to decide top 4 goals of the year
8. Committee Chairs presented all the goals that their committees had brainstormed at retreat
9. All senators received two votes to show their top goals
10. Votes counted by Vice President William Weber and Legislative Liaison Kristian Johnson
11. Top 4 chosen and announced, finalization will happen next meeting
12. Parking payment plan
13. Extended Bistro hours
14. Exploring the idea of Greek Housing
15. Explore the idea of Student Ambassadors
16. Constitution overview by Chief Justice Joseph Smith
17. Preamble
18. Advisor Stephen Meier suggests a lower case usage on part of the preamble
19. Article I Function
20. Article II Definitions
21. Advisor Stephen Meier suggests lower case usage under the part detailing Legislation for resolutions, executive orders, etc.
22. Article III
23. Committee Chairman Amanda Rogers suggested lowering the requirement of credit hours for Executive Board to 24 credit hours to reflect a full time status for two semesters
24. Advisor Stephen Meier suggests a lowering of the senate grade point average requirement to 2.0 or 2.25 to allow for a wider pool of candidacy

V. **Executive Board Reports**

a) Secretary of Public Relations, Sami Dada

1. Fresh Fusion this Friday, took sign-ups for tabling

2. Freshman Elections went live today, request to PR for these events on social media

Application is open for 10 school days, and elections are September second through third.

1. Tabling for elections will be made available on the Facebook page for tabling
2. Requesting help with an Election banner, and to transcribe freshman emails

b) Secretary of Student Involvement, Joey Yerace

1. Request for help in promoting Norse Rates

2. Preview for more information on Norse Rates, and Legacy Fund

c) Secretary of Administration, To be appointed

d) Vice President, William Weber

1. Welcome Back!

2. Thanks for coming to the mixer events, more to look forward to in the future

e) President, Katherine Hahnel

1. Talk about seating arrangement for next meeting, and to be ordered status of name plates

2. Announcement of New Liaison for Community Outreach Senator Jarrod West

3. Announcement of Katherine’s positon as Chairman of GDP

4. 4 Senate vacancies, 1 Justice vacancy

VI. **Committee Reports**

a) Finance Committee, Amanda Rogers

1. Thank you for being here, please participate and talk

b) Student Rights Committee, Julia Steffen

1. Short committee meeting in the back

c) University Improvements Committee, Ella Mravec

1. Welcome back, no committee meeting

d) Academic Affairs Committee, Donald Taylor

1. Short committee meeting in the back

VII. **Ex-Officio Reports**

a) ACR Liaison

1. Not present.

b) SBA Liaison

1. Not present.

c) VSA Liaison

1. Introduced himself and program

2. Welcome Back

d) Legislative Liaison, Kristian Johnson

1. Explained what position does.

2. Sign-ups for office hours will be next week

3. Please keep the office clean

d) Chief Justice, Joseph Smith

1. Reminder about elections

2. Reminder to read through Constitution for next week’s review

VIII. **Advisors Reports**

a) Office of Student Conduct, Rights, and Advocacy, Stephen Meier

1. Congratulations Senators!

2. Reminder that the old Constitution will be in effect the whole academic year

b) Sarah Aikman

1. Welcome Back

2. Mobile Kitchen will be fully operational next week

c) Dannie Moore

1. Welcome Back

2. Will be taking pictures next week, be prepared!

IX. **Old Business**

No Old Business

X. **Announcements**

• Attend Victor Fest Events

* Alpha Tau Omega sand volleyball event 8/23 at 4:00pm
* New Northerner Reporter Abby Anstead
* Norse Force Kick-off Event August 19th at the soccer stadium
* First College Republicans meeting Wednesday 8/26

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Senator Jarrod West, 2nded by Senator Donald Taylor; President Katherine Hahnel adjourned the meeting at 4:26 p.m.

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