

West Virginia University
SGA Meeting- 2/1/2016
2016-2017 Administration
Call to Order- at 7:30pm
Hatfields B, Mountainlair Student Union
Morgantown, WV

Reading of the SGA Mission Statement

“We, The students of West Virginia University, desiring to preserve within our university an atmosphere of open exchange of ideas with discussion, inquiry and self-expression to insure the person freedoms and general welfare of the student within our University, to promote principles of diversity and to continue in our tradition of responsible self-governance, do hereby establish this Constitution of the West Virginia University Student Government Association.”

Roll Call

President Pro Tempore Heeter - present
Senator Brewster - present
Senator Burgess - present
Senator Dixon - present
Senator Dudley - present
Senator Ernest - present
Senator Goff - present
Senator Hunt- present
Senator Kaska- present
Senator King - present
Senator Knollinger – excused
Senator McGuire - present
Senator Quigley - present
Senator Smith - present
Senator Waris - present
College Representative Hall- present
College Representative Stover- present
College Representative Kitchen- excused
College Representative Ferrari-
College Representative Robinson- excused
College Representative Amato- present
College Representative McGraw- present
College Representative Cooper- excused
College Representative Morgan- present
College Representative Smith- present
College Representative Fakhouri- present
College Representative Levelle- present

Minutes from last week have been approved

Open Student Forum I

Jason Figueroa- I'm the manager of the WVU Bookstore. I'm located right next door of the Lair. We are at Potomac State, WVU Tech, which is currently in Montgomery and Parkersburg. In 1991, WVU was losing a considerable amount of money running the bookstore on their own, so they called Barnes and Noble. At the time, we were very small. It's worked out very well for both parties. Overtime, the textbook model has changed considerably. Now, we rent them and have digital downloads. We have different price models for the different copies we have. We are the only contracted store with the University, meaning we have full responsibility of bringing all the books: small books, big books. We offer returns and we do buy back at the end. We also do employ a lot of students. We employ about 50 students regularly. During rush period, we brought in closer to 100 students and allows us to become ambassadors to incoming groups of students. When you're a new freshman, one of the first places you go to is the bookstore. You can buy a piece of memorabilia and it serves as a place to ask questions and a connection point for students and mentors and professors, etc. At the end of the year, we give about \$1.5 million in scholarships to non-athletic students. We do this from all our stores and offer the same emphasis on the customer. Going forward, textbook prices are going up, and if you do want to talk about all the intricacies on the text book prices, just call me and we can go over things you can do. You can get involved with conversations with faculty members just with decisions they can make. We want to advise the effects of packaging a book with a tiny access code; it kills the used book market. Students' voices are highly influential, and you can save your fellow students a lot of money.

Dir Minihan- Our January Intern of the Month is Karley White. She worked very hard with the Bureau of Finance.

Intern White – we're hosting an event on Friday to promote SGA. It's free, and it's called the Superbowl Warm-Up. We're giving out hot chocolate and cookies, and there will be a game called Superbowl Square where you can win prizes. It's from 11 to 3 in the Lair, so if we could get some volunteers, that'd be awesome. Come out!

EC Fathallah – There is an election coming up, and you still have time to announce your intention to run if you are planning to run for President or Vice President. If you want to run as a Senator, you still have time.

Terani – Graduate and professional student senate will be meeting on Monday at 7 PM in the Greenbrier Room.

The President's Report

President Merow- All of the basketball tickets are now in their claim period. They are available for the next three games. The institutional board of governors voted to

close Arnold Hall and will open Seneca Hall of University Plae. If anyone is interested in the presentation from the board of governors, just let me know, and I will email it to you. There was a student who passed away Friday night, and there will be a bell-ringing ceremony in the works for that student. A little congratulations to Dean Farris. Today was the 26th anniversary of him working at the University. Also, afterwards, we will be taking a group picture and Roshan will be taking headshots. Please volunteer for Karley and Heleana's event.

Senators' Reports

None.

College Representatives' Reports

Rep. Hall- This is more directed towards students in the College of Business and Economics. I sent out a survey to all the undergrads, and you have a chance to win a gift card.

Executive Reports

Treasurer Daniels- Grant applications are starting to ramp up, and they're normally for more expensive things spring semester. The BoF will soon pick a final date for grant applications. We're doing good so far with our internal spending. This is also usually the time period when SGA gets complacent. If you want to do something, engage students, make a change, let us know and we will help you. S/O to Isaac for the events he's been planning. Two of our interns are going to do a Superbowl Warm-up. We finally got new office chairs. They are in the SEL office. I will be there until about noon to 1 o'clock if anyone wants to come help me fix things and put the chairs together, that'd be great. I will make sure you are fed. VP Mac is also planning our annual inauguration. In front of you, you see our first ever financial bill. I took this from the US Government and changed it to Student Orgs. This is the official language that shows that we are giving money and shows all the orgs to which we are giving money and the reason. If you have any changes, just make an amendment to the specific line. I think it's very clear and good post-financials to reflect on the different orgs that got money at specific meetings. We'll be only be voting one time for the allocation, and you're more than welcome to pull out any full titles. On that note, we are going to publicize our financials on the path to be more transparent. Each Senator and Representative get a \$250 budget, and a lot of you have already used that. If you don't know what you want to spend that on, I know a lot of other Senators and Representatives have goals they want to achieve so reach out to them.

COS Kiess- This has been work in progress at the end of last semester to now. SGA finally has a ListServ. We've sent out two emails with that system, so you should've received those in the past week. If you did not receive the emails, let me know. There are different ways we can play with that, and there are a few kinks we need to work out in that system. If you have a gmail, it sends it to the promotions tab. If

there are any linked finals, there is a link at the bottom that will open that final. If we send out anything super important, we will put that in the GroupMe as well.

PPT Heeter – I move to add Rep. Fakhouri and Sen. Kaska to the roll

Sen Brewster – second

Dir. Ball– Thank you to all of you who signed up for the college fair day. Ms. Conway has contacted me, and basically, she has this big vision of helping get kids through and showing them around to everything with different programs, and she's having trouble filling spots. She's emailed basically every department chair, and the only people who have responded so far have actually been student government. I will drop the link to the opportunity in the GroupMe. Feb. 18, Vannah and I are hosting another minute-to-win-it, and we might need a couple helpers for prizes and stuff.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

- **Grants**

- **Title I Ed on Campus**

Treasurer Daniels- They are asking for expenses to cover three rooms for one night for a trip to NYC to meet professionals in their respective fields. We are suggesting \$850 for 3 rooms for one night.

Rep.- we do this yearly trip every year to tour magazines and meet prospective magazines who will hire us when we graduate. We will give you a quick presentation of what we do. We chose New York because it's the number 1 media market in the United States. It's a great networking opportunity. We have started our own magazine and we are set to release the magazine at the end of February, on the 21st. We started this year with only \$185 in our account and by the end of the semester, we were able to raise \$689. Last year, we just restarted this club as a national chapter. We want to make sure it's open to as many people as possible, and the people who work the hardest get the reward. We are asking for a little more to cover the total cost of travel.

VP McIntyre- If you want to change the amount, you would say that you want to amend the amount.

Treasurer Daniels- This is very similar to the trip we funded last week, the Supply Chain Management, on their networking trip, and their increase was about \$700.

Sen. Ernest– It would be \$1120 for the travel instead of \$800 for the one room. Can I move to an amendment to change the amount

to \$1120 via roll call?
Rep. Amato-second

President Pro Tempore Heeter - nay
Senator Brewster - nay
Senator Burgess - nay
Senator Dixon - nay
Senator Dudley - nay
Senator Ernest - aye
Senator Goff - nay
Senator Hunt- nay
Senator Kaska- nay
Senator King - aye
Senator Knollinger -
Senator McGuire - nay
Senator Quigley - nay
Senator Smith - nay
Senator Waris - nay
College Representative Hall- nay
College Representative Stover- nay
College Representative Kitchen-
College Representative Ferrari-
College Representative Robinson-
College Representative Amato- aye
College Representative McGraw- aye
College Representative Cooper-
College Representative Morgan- aye
College Representative Smith- abstain
College Representative Fakhouri- aye
College Representative Levelle- nay

VP McIntyre- That amendment fails, so it returns to the original amount of \$850.

- **Title II Morgantown Roller Vixens**
Treasurer Daniels- They requested funds for advertisement and expenses to help cover their off-campus practices. We suggest \$506.80.
- **Title III Student Association for Public Administrators**
Treasurer Daniels- They are hosting a fundraising event, in which proceeds will go to the Mon. Child Advocacy Center. They are asking for 50 plates of their presumed 100 attendees, so we are suggesting \$1,400. The organization is essentially working to make the event happen.

Sen Quibley-What are ticket prices?

Treasurer Daniels - \$50 per ticket

Sen McGuire- What did we award the Student Bar Association?

Treasurer Daniels- \$1500

○ **Title IV Russian Club**

Sen Burgess-I'm the President. I'm not Russian. We are going to the Holocaust Museum in Washington DC. We currently have 58 seats so we are looking to take 58 students. It is open to the public.

Sen Dudley-The goal is to make the trip completely free for students.

Rep Fakhouri- When is the event?

Sen Burgess- April 1

Treasurer Daniels- We didn't want to cross the 1500 tier limit, BoF discussed covering it in full. One of the clubs told us they prefer to have the students put a small deposit down to ensure the trip.

Sen Hunt- What's the difference?

Treasurer Daniels- this is open to the student gallery, so it's not a club-exclusive event

Rep Levelle – how do you advertise this trip?

Sen Burgess- flyers around Woodburn and we advertise them in classes that are related

Sen Brewster- I'm in favor of the \$1500 so they can put \$5 to hold them accountable.

Sen Burgess- we are asking the students pay \$5 as they have in the past and this guarantees that they show up.

Sen Dudley-our goal this time was to give it back after the event

Sen Goff-I want to be cautious to try to change their event. Whether they want to charge them or not should be left to the club. Our votes should reflect solely on the request and the BoF suggestions

PPT Heeter- I move to amend Title 4 Russian Club to award them the full amount to cover the bus via roll call for \$1693.50

Sen Ernest- second

President Pro Tempore Heeter - aye

Senator Brewster - aye

Senator Burgess - abstained

Senator Dixon - aye

Senator Dudley - abstained

Senator Ernest - aye

Senator Goff - nay

Senator Hunt- nay

Senator Kaska- nay

Senator King - aye

Senator Knollinger –

Senator McGuire - aye

Senator Quigley - nay

Senator Smith - nay
Senator Waris - nay
College Representative Hall- aye
College Representative Stover- nay
College Representative Kitchen-
College Representative Ferrari-
College Representative Robinson-
College Representative Amato- nay
College Representative McGraw- nay
College Representative Cooper-
College Representative Morgan- aye
College Representative Smith- nay
College Representative Fakhouri- aye
College Representative Levelle- nay

VP McIntyre- that amendment fails, so we move back to \$1500

○ **Title V Cricket Club**

Treasurer Daniels- They are requesting funds for their national conference in Ft. Lauderdale. We are suggesting \$1,800.
*Rep-*I've been apart of the WVU Cricket Club for the past 6 years. We have been apart of the Pittsburgh Cricket Association since 1996. Every year, we make it the playoff, and we've been going to the national championship since 2012. We set a very high record. Every year, we won the regional championship. We have defeated a number of top seats, like Texas A&M, at Nationals. March 15 right after Spring Break. We have 20 members going, and we will be driving because it's cheaper. This year we are requesting the full grant, and for the last 10 years, we have been using the same equipment. We need a major upgrade. The safety equipment is all spoiled. We have transportation costs, jerseys, registrations, etc. Generally sponsors like to pay the full amount for equipment. The total comes up to \$1600. Our regional budget is \$2500 and each student has to spend funds from their own pocket. We have a number of honors for this club, including two members playing for the nationals team, and a ton of our alumni have had very prestigious awards.

○ **Title VI Women's Club Ultimate Frisbee**

Rep.- This is a tournament we go to every year. It's High Tide at Myrtle Beach. We are going over Spring Break, and this event is actually a week long, but we are only competing during Week 1. Total registration costs are \$1600. We asked for the second tournament, which is paid for on an individual basis rather than a team. We also ask to pay for a rental van for 15 passenger. Our club is 20-25 people. I understand SGA can't pay for Enterprise, but we've worked it out so it can go through our business office in the. The priority for this event

would be to cover the team tournament and the transportation. That is \$1300. We fundraise using bake sales and host tournaments. We also have a club sport budget, which goes to tournaments. Our members pay \$50 per semester. They are responsible for their own food for the entire week. If we don't get the transportation, it will add \$50 per member. Last year, you awarded us a grant to get jerseys made.

Sen Waris-Would BoF reconsider the event given the change in allocation?

Treasurer *Daniels*- I can go to Sue and ask how we would do it. We have never streamed funds to the President's office.

PPT Heeter- do you all go to a national tournament or is this the biggest one you go to?

Rep.- We usually go to 3-4 in the fall. We go to 5 this semester. High Tide is the biggest one we go and it garners the most exposure to teams from all over the country

Sen Burgess- Are you guys on a time crunch?

Rep.- This could be pushed back a week or two. We have a reservation on the van from Enterprise, and we don't have to present the money until we go to pick up the vans. The High Tide team money does have a deadline.

Sen Quigley- just because we haven't paid for the van in the past, I think we should stick to precedent, but we should make the decision sooner rather than later

Rep.- Last year, we did get the van paid for and we did the account stream through Club Sports

Treasurer Daniels- we did provide Club Sport our funding stream but there was a lot of misuse.

Rep Amato – I move to remove Title VI from tonight's financial bill for purpose of reconsideration.

President Pro Tempore Heeter - aye

Senator Brewster - aye

Senator Burgess - aye

Senator Dixon - nay

Senator Dudley - aye

Senator Ernest - nay

Senator Goff - nay

Senator Hunt- aye

Senator Kaska- nay

Senator King - aye

Senator Knollinger –

Senator McGuire - nay

Senator Quigley - nay

Senator Smith - aye

Senator Waris - aye

College Representative Hall- aye
College Representative Stover- nay
College Representative Kitchen-
College Representative Ferrari-
College Representative Robinson-
College Representative Amato- aye
College Representative McGraw- aye
College Representative Cooper-
College Representative Morgan- aye
College Representative Smith- aye
College Representative Fakhouri- aye
Levelle- aye

VP – passed, tabled for further consideration

- **Title VII Energy Land Management Association**
Treasurer Daniels- This is an organization who covers a bunch of members to go to this event, but they are asking for additional funds to cover two additional members seeking to attend the NAPE Conference in Houston, TX on Feb. 13th.
- **Title VIII Association for Women in Sports Media**
Treasurer Daniels- They are asking for a grant for expenses to cover lodging for six members to attend the national ASWM conference in Austin Texas on May 7th 2017. The WVU chapter is the youngest chapter in the nation to be invited.
- **Title IX Golf Club**
Treasurer Daniels- They are asking for expenses to cover one night of lodging and registration fees for 8 members at the Golf Clubs 4th event of the year on April 8th in Ohio.
- **Title X College Libertarians**
Treasurer Daniels- They are asking for expenses to cover lodging for 12 members of the College Libertarians at the national conference in Washington D.C. on February 17th 2017
Rep.- The conference is Feb. 17-19. It's a good experience for our members. A lot of them are business or economic majors. There will be a career fair and a great network for companies throughout DC. All other expenses are covered.
Sen Kaska- Why is this their full amount?
Treasurer Daniels- that's all they asked for
- **Title XI Management Information Student Association**
Treasurer Daniels- In the bill, it says that they are asking for expenses to cover the Spring Semester Hack-a-thon, an all-day event hosted by

the organization, expenses to cover Breakfast, Dinner, and prizes. Prizes must be approved by the WVU Finance Office. However, we can't pay for gift cards. I will entertain a motion to remove these prizes.

Sen. Brewster- I motion to remove Amazon Gift Card Prizes from Line Item 11 via Unanimous consent

PPT Heeter- second

Sen Hunt- Is there anything else we can pay for?

Sen Ernest – we can't pay for giftcards?

Treasurer Daniels- we can't award gifts for orgs to gifts; this is their last event

Sen Goff- It says their grant request was for \$4000

Dir. Daw – They had two Hack-A-Thon events planned and were asking for us to pay for all the buses.

Treasurer Daniels- It was for all their yearly expenses.

Treasurer Daniels – the organization has been very difficult to contact, so this is our last effort

○ **Title XII Academy of Student Pharmacists**

Treasurer Daniels- They are asking for expenses to cover for lodging in San Francisco California for the annual American Pharmacists Association meeting on March 24th 2017. I'm pretty sure they are splitting the remaining costs.

Rep.- Flight and registration for two members

Sen Waris- Does that change the BoF's suggested amount?

Treasurer Daniels - yes

Sen. Brewster- I move to remove line item 12 via UC

PPT Heeter- second

○ **Title XIII Men's Club Volleyball**

Treasurer Daniels- They are asking for expenses to cover for a portion of the lodging at the organizations national tournament on April 12th 2017.

Sen Kaska- What was the \$10,000 was going toward?

Dir Daw- they were asking \$5400 for flights, \$2000 for registration and \$2500 for hotel rooms

○ *Treasurer Daniels* – In all, we voted to table volleyball for a week and pharmacists for a week and to move MISA to \$1100. The total amount awarded will be \$11866.80

Sen. Quigley- move to award the amount stated in the financial bill via UC

Sen. Dudley – second

Sen Burgess- I move to remove myself from roll for Russian Club

Sen Quibley – I amend my motion to vote via roll call

President Pro Tempore Heeter - aye
Senator Brewster - aye
Senator Burgess - present
Senator Dixon - aye
Senator Dudley - present
Senator Ernest - aye
Senator Goff - aye
Senator Hunt- aye
Senator Kaska- aye
Senator King - aye
Senator Knollinger –
Senator McGuire - aye
Senator Quigley - aye
Senator Smith - aye
Senator Waris - aye
College Representative Hall- aye
College Representative Stover- aye
College Representative Kitchen-
College Representative Ferrari-
College Representative Robinson-
College Representative Amato- aye
College Representative McGraw- aye
College Representative Cooper-
College Representative Morgan- aye
College Representative Smith- present
College Representative Fakhouri- aye
College Representative Levelle- aye

Sen Hunt- would it be possible to add a rationale in this?
Treasurer Daniels- Yeah

Open Student Forum II

Sen Burgess- An update on the volleyball team: It's been a rough start for SGA- we lost two games. There is practice on Friday at 5. The next game is Feb 11, and we are playing the Whips, aka the Wimps. I'm going to do this every week we have a game, and it's give out an MVP as captain. Our MVP is Ross Levelle. I watched this kid hit his head on a concrete wall and then continue to block.

PPT Heeter- As Roshan said, we need to spend our budgets. I am planning on buying plan B and pregnancy tests and putting it in the Women's Center, so if you are willing to donate your budget, send me a message.

Sen Hunt- we did the drawing for everyone who helped before the basketball games, and the winner is Trevor Kiess.

Sen. Dixon- NAACP is hosting their Annual Image Awards. If you know anyone who has really been a champion on campus as far as social justice, civil rights issues, equality, etc goes, please nominate them soon. This is a really big year for our nation, our campus, out state, as far as civil rights go, let me know. Go to the NAACP twitter.

Liaison Leasor- Dancing with WVU Stars is coming up. In conjunction with that, there is also a blood drive, there's a sign up sheet here if you want to sign up. Whenever you go, you can add your blood donation to whatever team.

Advisor Reports

Prof. Klandorf- I attended the solidarity circle. SGA needs an emergency grant so Dean Farris needs a new speaker and auditory system.

Moments

Sen Burgess – Dean Farris for his anniversary today

PPT Heeter- Roshan and the entire BoF for the financial bill system and all the work that they've done. It will definitely speed up the process, especially with this many grants

COS Kiess- Representative Hall: I got the survey today and filled it out

Sen Dixon – all the people or departments who worked to or helped organize the solidarity circles and Shani over there who spoke. Let's keep doing those solidarity circles.

EC Fathallah – Jihad and Marie for showing up to my meeting and helping me with the election a lot

PPT Heeter - Dean Farris for almost freezing his hands off for sake of solidarity

Pres Merow- WVU turns 150 on Tuesday

Sen Waris- adjourn

Sen Ernest- second

Adjournment: 8:58pm

Written and Reviewed by Executive Secretary Hoang

**UC= vote on by unanimous consent

President Pro Tempore Heeter -

Senator Brewster -

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