

West Virginia University
Student Government Association
Regular Student Assembly Meeting
Vandalia Lounge, Mountainlair, 7:30 PM
December 3rd, 2025

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Street at 7:30 p.m.

II. Reading of the SGA Mission Statement

The SGA mission statement was read by President Street.

III. Roll Call

Roll was called by Executive Secretary Davis.

IV. Reading and Approval of the Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Senator Cole, seconded by Senator Silva.

V. Reading and Approval of the Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Senator Cole, seconded by Senator Silva.

VI. Open Student Forum I

No one was recognized.

VII. The President's Report

President Street: All right, I'm sure you all are happy to be back from break. I know I was so thrilled to come back from break. Our house lost heat for two days of break, so me and Tris were very cold for summer break, but we got it back, so everything is okay. I also ran a turkey trot. My family's a turkey trot family. This was the first year I lost to my little siblings, so that

was kind of like a knife in the heart, but I've consoled myself. I've gotten over it, so everything's okay. In the past two weeks, I guess the Friday before break started, we had the Advisory Council of Students meeting with the other student body presidents. We made some plans to go to the interim session this weekend, and Jay will talk a little bit more about that in his report. We also have sent some follow-up emails to the other schools to schedule a West Virginia student days at the capitol in February, where every SGA in the state will come and meet in Charleston together and meet with their respective legislators. It's a really big thing to make a statement to the legislators when every school is coming and having meetings at the same time. Additionally, the schools decided on the four themes for the month of service. The month of service, as I've said, is an initiative we're doing with all the other SGAs in the state to do service initiatives for the different weeks in February. The four themes that we decided on were something environmental related, like a campus cleanup, something animal related, like volunteering at an animal shelter. All the other schools really wanted to do the animal one. Something K-12 related, such as visiting local high schools and elementary schools for higher education, and then a local choice, so letting every school partner with a non-profit in the area that they're particularly interested in working with. So Mimi is working on figuring out exactly what that's going to look like for WVU, but we'll also be going through the process of making sure the other schools are reaching out to local organizations, because as we've talked about a little bit before, we're really blessed to have an amazingly large SGA, but most other SGAs in the state are like 10 people. There's one SGA that has one person in it as well, so the support we're able to give the SGAs across West Virginia is really helpful to them.

Moving on, we made some progress on the BATCH initiative. We're up to 17 departments that we've fully onboarded. Now that we've just been meeting with department chairs and making sure we get them up to speed, we're planning student-faculty mixers for those departments at the beginning of next semester that'll function both as a way for students to talk to their faculty in a more informal setting, but it'll also allow us to use it as a focus group. Most departments want information directly from students in their department as to what they want to see to build community in that department, so we're going to use these initial mixers as a way to kind of poll students that are active in their department to see what might work best between disciplines. Besides that, we have some updates on the campus improvement projects we're working on. We had an amazing meeting with the grants team today. I'm sure they'll talk a little bit more about that with some people at the sustainability office and the library office for the EBSCO solar library grant that we'll be applying to in April. We also got approved for some technical assistance from the solar finance fund. What technical assistance is, it's just a fancy word for like some engineering and economic modeling, so that way some other organization can pay for all of the expensive engineering work and we don't have to pay for it, so that way when

we go to apply to the grant we have all of the financial data we need to submit to the grant application. Beyond that, we had our monthly meeting with Carrie Showalter and she recommended that we reach out to a different person at athletics to try and get some of the foldable seating for the PRT station, since I am done trying to deal with all of these random companies from other countries that will not be able to source us the right number of seats for the PRT stations. So I'm reaching out to, his name is Rob Alsop, he worked for the university in a different position before, but I'll be reaching out to him to see if we can get some leftover seats from the Coliseum or from the stadium. Beyond that, the Roads and Grounds people emailed me today, which is relevant to one of the later presentations, that they are putting together a budget for materials for four gaga ball pits across campus. Again, one in Sunnyside, one by Boreman, one by Towers, and one by the Rec Center. They're going to handle all of that, send us how much we need to put toward it, which will come from the internal budget, and then they said they'll handle the insulation, which is perfect. So they said hopefully they'll have that ready to go by the end of break. Additionally, Ro and I were supposed to present at a 191 on Tuesday. Luckily there was a snow day, which was great because we got to sleep for once. That 191 presentation was canceled, and that was the last one we had scheduled. So I will be putting together the enrollment report. I'll send it through the internal group me or through the Monday Mashup. We'll also send it to the DA and to the Board of Governors. The results on that presentation, the results on that survey haven't changed from when I last told you them. Besides that, I know some of you were contacted by the secret snowflake on Monday. Make sure you get your gift for your secret snowflake and bring it to the SGA meeting next week because it's our last SGA meeting of the semester, which I know is so sad. This semester really flew by. That's all I have for you this week.

VIII. The Vice President's Report

Vice President Jones: I was sick last week so I was not able to give my report so here's just some updates on some progress that has been made.

We had our second Hardesty Festivals of Ideas meeting. We were able to work with Tim Bowling over at the Foundation and he was able to help us identify some previous endowment funds that existed for the Festival of Ideas. I'm happy to say that we're able to identify about over half a million dollars in funds for the Festival of Ideas, so that's a great push on that effort and then additionally I'll be working with Kelly Flanagan from the President's Office. She'll be assisting me in budgeting that money for a three-year plan for the Festival of Ideas. I'll also be meeting with Kevin Berry, the Vice President of Alumni Relations, this Friday so that he, myself, and David Alloway, who also works at the Foundation, can identify some alumni donors who

may be interested in the Festival of Ideas as well. Then, I'll be meeting with Arts and Entertainment to finally put together the event and execute that. Colin and I had the chance to meet Senator Capito this weekend and bring this issue up to her again and it seems as if she and her team were very interested in coming to WVU to talk which is fantastic. Lastly, the provost's interviews are still going strong. The final four candidates are on campus this week and have been getting interviewed. They've been interviewed in fact by some of our very own students, some members of our cabinet. I know Julia did a nice hard-hitting interview with one of the candidates so Julia thank you for doing that. I greatly appreciate it and then I was able, myself as well as the rest of the Provost Search Committee, was able to meet with some of the candidates and we'll have our final interview tomorrow so that process has been going well and is winding down as we speak.

IX. Committee Reports

Senator Cole: Safety Committee had a very short meeting this week. We just kind of wrapped up some of the things that we're planning for next semester. I did give an update for everybody in the committee about how Ethan and I's City Council presentation went yesterday. I'll leave it to Ethan to update everybody on that. And then we just discussed the university's preparedness for the winter weather that we had. And then also just a heads up, if you're on university property and you don't see your sidewalks cleared, you technically should report that after 48 hours of the last snow, so tomorrow morning if you still see sidewalks that aren't cleared, you can call 304-293-HELP. It will call the UPD and then they dispatch a facilities person out there to clear those sidewalks. And then soon enough, one of the projects that I worked on with Chuck Roberts will be done, you'll actually be able to self-report sidewalks and roads that aren't cleared after snow on the Facilities Help Desk and that's coming next semester. Chuck said he would be working on that over winter break. We discussed the HSC college senators' dean meeting with the Dean and Chancellor of HSC. And then just, like I said, wrapped up some of our ideas for next semester. And then we discussed that next week we'll be presenting a fall semester report to you guys during committee reports about everything that our committee has worked on and then starting to align our strategic initiatives and priorities for next semester.

College Senator Scott: So the College Projects Committee, we began by getting the ball rolling on the legislation we were working on. We were able to get a good portion of it done with what we had and we also were visited by College Senator Selders and we discussed her recent dean meeting with the Health Science Dean and we discussed what might have been missing from the culture of the Health Science Campus as they are floating in their own PRT station all

the way out there. I believe she might be back next week and we're going to continue our conversation about just what is missing and how to start implementing some more programming and some more college projects, if you will, to establish a sense of community that seems to be missing and just a sense of helping these students that are getting very bogged down in their work rediscover their why, as Ms. Selders put it, so thank you.

College Senator Tadors: We reached back out to some of the professors that didn't respond for the capstone surveys, and a couple of them actually already emailed back, since our meetings and they are going to forward it. So that's good, we'll get more responses. For the lab equipment drive, Tyson is still talking to Dr. Armstrong about it. They are conducting chemistry labs on Thursday and Friday, and that's when they're going to be doing collections.

Senator Silva: So the Campus Connection Committee, we discussed some more potential Carruth locations. As you might know, we were thinking of doing a satellite location in Reynolds Hall. However, there are some privacy concerns regarding Reynolds Hall. It is literally, as Hank put it, a glass house, so we are potentially exploring Field Hall as a better location, as the bottom floors are mostly empty, and there's classrooms, there's offices that could serve for both personal therapy and group therapy, or support groups. So we're going to be visiting that next semester, and we are also going to be visiting a satellite location of Carruth to get an idea of what it currently looks like, what they have, so we can have a better vision for our downtown satellite location. We are also discussing getting welcome baskets for international students next semester. The LGBTQ Center did it for the True Colors LLC at Stalnaker Hall. They gave some gift baskets to the students moving in, and we would like to do the same for international students, just with a few essential items, like hot hands, phone cards, shower shoes, that kind of stuff that you wish you had in that first semester, or those first few weeks of college, but they probably won't be able to go right away to Target or things like that to get it. So if you have any suggestions on things to put in the gift baskets, please let someone in the Campus Connections Committee know. And then we also looked over the proclamations that's going on the floor tonight. I do recommend that everyone goes and endorses it, there's still time, or sponsor it, because we need to show a united front as an organization, so thank you so much.

College Senator Campbell: Hey guys, so just really quickly, today the Student Experience Committee just discussed some of our future goals as a committee, and also individually for the spring semester. We also talked about the Campus Closet form tabling that's going to be taking place tomorrow at the 5th floor crossings. If you guys still need tabling hours,

which I'm sure there's some of us who still do, there's still a great deal of spots open, so if you guys are free and you would like to sign up, that would be greatly appreciated.

Senator O'Neal: Hey guys, so in the Sustainability Committee we have Traci Knabenshue, the Director of the Sustainability Department, visit today. She helped us write our resolution to develop areas for native plants on campus, and specifically we worked together to identify two areas on campus to be developed in the spring of 2026 and put those into our bill. And then upcoming, we're supposed to meet, me and Paige are supposed to meet with the Staff Director of the Pittsburgh Student Wellness and Sustainability, coming up sometime this month. Then during our meeting, Traci expressed interest in attending, so she'll be attending that with us. And she wanted us to talk about a tree planting event going on on Monday, December 15th. They're going to be planting 20 trees, and they'll need volunteers from 10 am to 12 pm. So, pretty cool, they'll be planting three to four new species on campus. If you're interested in going out there, there's an iServe application, so just shoot me a message or something.

X. Assembly Reports

President Pro Tempore Robinson: I hope you guys are all doing well, I realize it's crunch time now, so please take care of yourselves. As always, feel free to reach out if you need any help or have questions about anything, I'm always here for you guys. We have a lot of events coming up like tabling and service opportunities, so remember to support the other senators who are working hard and go ahead and volunteer at those events, they're working just as hard as you are and they need help with that. I'd like to echo Tris and ask you all to sponsor the bill going up tonight, like she said it's important that we put up a united front, so just make sure to keep that in mind. You can still do it, you can still sponsor it. And then, I don't know if Ro touched on this, but I'm glad that SGA is going to recognize the tragedy that happened in D.C. over break. We're going to have a vigil for the National Guardsmen who were injured and the one that was killed in that incident on Friday at 11, and it'll be right here in Oglebay Square. We have some service members in our organization and there's a great number of them on our campus so please keep them in your thoughts at this time.

Senator Cole: Hey guys, I did just want to give an update and an explanation as to why that bill today was removed from the agenda. I'm still waiting on approval from the university and our partners at Elior to approve the language of it, so we're expecting that to happen in the next couple of days, and then next week if we get approval by then we'll fast track that and vote

on it next week. I highly recommend that you read through it though, but I do ask that you don't share it outside of this group until it gets approved by the university. I do recommend that you sponsor it, and then I think there's a couple committees that have a stake in student experience and then food safety as well, so I think that it would be important if you guys could consider endorsing that for your committees, but I'll give an update in the group meeting whenever it gets approved and ask for your sponsorship on that.

College Senator Poole: I just wanted to give my own update on the Carruth situation since I've kind of been leading the charge on that specific project, so it's not that we're just dragging our feet or anything as to why there's no major progress with it. Deans and administrators, they're meeting each other, they are working on it. The issue right now that's the biggest block is not location, it is lack of resources. So I'm going to study this over break and try to find some type of solution, but anyway yeah so we are working on that full steam ahead. I met with the Dean of the Chambers College a few weeks ago, all the Chambers senators did, but I specifically came out with a few initiatives and I wanted to talk about some of them because I thought maybe I could collaborate with other people. So one thing that Josh Hall, who's our Dean, expressed interest in was college games, so he referenced how Notre Dame has dorm football games. He would like to do something like that between colleges, like Eberly and Chambers and CCAM and all that. So if that sounds interesting to anyone, I would love to get something organized for that. This is Chamber specific. He wants to work on a funding pool specific to student organizations in the business college and he specifically asked us to orchestrate a survey about reshaping the business curriculum. Specifically what would be essential to majors for the B Corp.

College Senator Selders: Hi, me and a bunch of the Health Science senators went to our Dean meeting to go see Dean Marsh. He had a lot to say to us, so I'm going to try to keep it brief. He is wanting us to find ways to give more student engagement with things such as Operation Blue Sky, which is the Health Science's version of the Carruth Center and WellWVU's wellness projects. So we're going to work towards coming up with ideas and ways to help boost those engagements and also help on getting more ideas that fit our students' needs. He asked for a talent show. I don't know how that will go, but he wants something that's going to benefit the larger group e, so we will work on figuring something out with that. Other than that, he asked us to maybe start thinking about spotlighting majors, spotlighting organizations, spotlighting individuals, changing Health Sciences at a student level and he also asked us to see how we can help our students as professionals and as people. Him and his secretary have invited me to three different meetings with a person who's working on a success center at Health Sciences, which

will deal with mock interviews, a clothing closet for professional clothes, working on maybe revitalizing the community gardens that we have, and also work on pushing for naloxone training to take place in every first year seminar as a part of the curriculum for first year students, as well as many other ideas that he pushed towards us. So I will have a busy couple of weeks coming up.

XI. Executive Reports

Audrey Bennett, Sara Ratley, and Drew Kirk, Grant Officers: This morning we had a meeting with Colin and the grant officers, and we're applying for a grant for solar. It's through the EBSCO company, and we just started this application. They applied for it, I think, in 2020, so mostly we're going back to the old application and just understanding what are some things that we can improve, which is really cool. So we're going to be having weekly meetings with Colin about this grant, and then we're going to have our draft hopefully by March, probably sooner, because we're at a pretty good start right now. And then we're going to be working with a grant writer from the WVU Foundation, which we had a lot of good contacts from the people we did meet with, which was Paula. She has contacts for the Director of WVU Libraries, the Dean of WVU Libraries, and just some people with facilities, operations, and management. And I just want to add that while we are very occupied with this grant, there are three of us, and that grant help request form that's on the drive is still very much up, and if you have any initiatives that you need help funding or anything, we can help you find a grant, we can help you write the grant, anything, and at the very least we can point you in the right direction.
Thank you.

Garrett Ourseler, Intern Coordinator: Just so everybody knows, the spring intern application is live, on Engage, has been for the last week. We just shared it on social media today. If you know anybody that you think would want a short crash course on what SGA is and get all of the information of two semesters in one, please send them our way. I think it will be a good time. That also means if there's any of you that would like an intern but don't have an intern right now, I will be creating a mentor sign-up sheet, and this will be our second version of, like, Tinder like we did earlier. The more information you give me, the better match I can make. So I'll write about the same questions I had last time. If you give me more information, I will make a better one. The team will make a better match in the Department of Development or whatever our title is. Then just so everybody knows, today was our last intern meeting, so kudos to all the interns that made it through an entire semester. I know it's not snaps, but premature snaps. I guess if you want to come to an intern meeting or talk to the interns or do anything with us next semester, let me know. Hopefully your interns are telling you what they're doing and what

projects they're working on, and if there's any way I can assist you, assist them, please tell me because I would like to do that.

So thank you all.

Davis Brannon, CLASS Liaison: Over the past couple weeks, I have met with the Student Success Task Force and had a Faculty Senate Recruitment and Retention Meeting. So there is some good news. Retention rates are up from last year. It's about 85%. It's a new high for the university, which is really good. They're also seeing a strong relationship between when students register for classes and their likelihood of staying with us here at WVU. They're finding students that are registering after July 1st have a significantly lower retention rate with us here at the university. So that's something that they're looking at addressing. We're looking to see what can be done there. Also, withdrawal rates for certain classes are dropping substantially, so that's also really promising. It was also great to hear that other work that members of SGA are doing is being noticed. In one of the meetings I was in, the third-party platform survey came up. They said that it's a university priority and that they want to address the concerns surrounding transparency and the additional burdens that third-party platforms are adding to students. I also heard a little bit about some student resources that are really being utilized by our students that are providing a lot of support for students across campus. The main one right now is the Rack. It is seeing high usage. Resources are strained. I think it's great that SGA had the Share a Swipe initiative today. Hopefully that was very successful.

Mimi Ferguson, Community Engagement Coordinator: I just wanted to give a little bit of an update about the service trip since that's happening this weekend. To everybody who signed up, I just wanted to say thank you, and if you're unable to go with us this weekend, I just wanted to reiterate that it has nothing to do with your application or you or anything. Unfortunately, just because it was kind of planned a little bit last minute, we were only able to take a max amount of ten people, but we do plan to do stuff like this in the future, so I definitely encourage you guys to apply for a future service trip that we hopefully will be able to have next semester. But I did want to let everybody know who is going this weekend, just because if you have any questions for us whenever we get back, I think it should be a pretty good experience. So I just wanted to make sure you guys could talk to us about it. And then we're basically doing everything that I recapped at our last meeting. Pretty much all of that's been confirmed. So if anybody has any questions about what we will be doing, I'd be happy to answer anything.

Katelyn Merlin, University Relations Coordinator: I know we've talked about tabling a little bit already. I did want to thank everybody that tabled today. I really appreciate it. We did get

our max of 500 swipes, so that is great news. Second of all, I want to talk about the upcoming tabling. So we do have upcoming tabling on Saturday for the fall symposium. It's outside of the Lair Ballrooms from 1 to 5. I'd appreciate it if people helped with that so I don't have to be there myself the whole time. And then on the 8th, 9th, and 10th, we have cookie decorating, and that's going to be from 12 to 3:30, so hopefully more people can help out. We're going to be at Evansdale on the 8th, the Lair on the 9th, and HSC on the 10th. So I know these may be out of your way, but I would appreciate a quick PRT ride and 30 minutes of your time. If everybody could participate, that would be great. And then that is our last tabling for the semester. So everyone should have their hours because there's plenty of time.

Ethan Enterline, Local Government Liaison: As Bryan brought up previously, we had our presentation yesterday with the city council to report the findings from the safety walk and the safety questionnaire, and it went really well. They're really proud of us, and they said that we did a really good job. One special thing I did bring up with one of the council members that she brought up in her report after we left was about how pedestrian safety has been pretty low and how crossings aren't really followed that closely, especially in Morgantown, and especially late at night whenever everybody's going out to the clubs. So I'm thinking of brainstorming some ideas in order to further promote pedestrian safety, the crossings, as well as driver safety. And I think the city may be starting to work on some stuff as well. On Monday, I met with Colin, Logan, and Mimi again to further plan our initiatives, potentially implementing a Right to Repair Act at the city level, as well as changing the municipal inspection period from three years to two years. The city is finally moving forward with a plan to reconstruct North High Street, which is where Frat Row is, is where that absolute chaos and mess of bricks is. We'll be repaving six miles of road and getting rid of, like I said, the chaos and mess of bricks that's there. What I've seen are plans to start the project by the end of the month, but at the latest it's going to start likely in the spring semester, and hopefully it will get done by the end of next year. I'm still trying to meet with one of the council members and our access liaisons to talk about ways to promote the local government at the high school level. I think we talked about meeting next week at some point, but it got pushed back again, so we're still trying to figure that out. Morgantown just implemented another warming shelter at the Morgantown Public Safety Building, and it's going to operate 24 hours a day, so that's going to allow for more of an option for those that are going to seek warming shelters in Morgantown.

Jay Huff State, State Government Liaison: Good evening, y'all. I just want to let you know we are going down to Charleston next week on Monday. We leave here about 7:45, so we're looking to take a few people down there with us. Myself and my intern are going. We have

a limited amount of people we can take, so I'm going to be sending out a Google form for you all to fill out if you want to go. We'll be down there. Our first meeting is at 11. We'll probably come back around 3 or 4 o'clock in the afternoon. So I'll send that out. Priority is going to go to people on the state government working group, but everyone, including interns, are free to apply to it if you want to. So I'm going to send that out right now.

Joley Chikombero, Menstrual Equity Taskforce Chair: So yesterday was our Hug in a Box event, and it was very successful. It went very well. All the baskets were taken up, so that's very good. So thank you to everyone who helped spread the word about that. And next Thursday we are going to be making heating pads. It will be 6 to 7:30 in the blue room in Towers. So I hope you all can make it. Thanks.

Logan Pierce, External Chief of Staff: So I know we've already talked about it a little bit, but with Share a Swipe, I do want to thank everybody that volunteered today. It was off to a rocky start, and I apologize for that. We'll make sure that doesn't happen next year, next semester, actually. We'll make sure it runs a little bit smoother, but we did reach 500. We didn't reach 500 last spring semester, and that was our cap. So give yourselves a pat on the back for that. Next Saturday will be our next formal, so unofficial, unsponsored, let me add. So next Saturday, December 13th, it will be in the Fuego basement. I don't have a time for you guys yet, but it will still be \$5 a person, like last time. And you can bring as many guests as you want, and your guests are also \$5 a person. So show up for that. And then something else to put on your radar, January 21st, will be our spring retreat. It won't be like the fall retreat. We'll just be doing it in the MountainLair during one of our normal meeting times. That would typically be our first meeting back of the semester, but we're only going to gavel in for a limited amount of time and do the business that we need to do. And then probably from 6:30 to 9:30 we'll have our spring retreat. So just keep that on your radar. And then we'll end around 9 o'clock, and we're going to go to the pool hall after that, and that will be our January bonding event. We could have had better attendance at our last bonding event. The people that went knew it was a good time, but try to come to this next one. I think getting to know each other is always positive. So that's all I have.

Shelby Davis, Internal Chief of Staff: We're not going to do November or December reports, with finals and break. So just focus on getting your projects to a resting point.

Carter Leadmon, Elections Committee Chair: I just wanted to announce that the elections timeline will be announced tomorrow, so keep your peepers open for that.

XII. Old Business

A. AP-2025-11-01, President Pro Tempore Robinson

President Pro Tempore Robinson motioned to move the second reading of the bill, seconded by Senator Silva.

President Pro Tempore Robinson: All right, this bill is pretty straightforward. I made some pretty inconsequential grammatical changes to it. But I have some other things to say about it. So I've been thinking a lot about this bill for the past two weeks. And I'm reflecting on some of this reception amongst you guys. So I just wanted to make my opinions and my stance on it a little bit more clear. I realize that some of you are wary that this bill will be reaching the desk of some politicians who you may personally align with. And the bill asked them to reverse the decision. We think that they made an error. I think for us sitting in the assembly, it's most important that we remember our charge and the oaths that we took. We all swear to protect and advocate for the best interest of the student body. And never just ourselves. When I sit here, I'm not here as Olivia. I represent 5,000 students in Eberly College. I'm not advancing my own personal career goals by doing this. So yeah, some of you represent over 25,000 of our students and the student body at large. The point I'm making here is that this bill works in the best interest of the student body, and that's who we're here to represent. Now is not the time to be looking out for ourselves. We represent something bigger than just us right now. And I promise that your dissent based on personal and political interests is not gonna do anything to advance the greater good, and could potentially leave scars on your legacy here. So just remember that. And I implore those of you who hold reservations and plan on voting no on this bill for personal reasons, remember your oath and your job here. If you turn your back on the commitments that you made to this office, this is something that you'll have to sit with. And honestly, it's just not worth the minimal face-saving that you think it'll give you. So yeah, I would appreciate all of you going back and sponsoring this bill. If you haven't, I know a good number of you have and I thank you for that. It's just best that we show unity right now on such an important task.

Senator Cole motioned to vote for the bill by roll call, seconded by Senator Silva.

All senators but one voted yes for the bill. College Senator Snyder abstained.

The bill passed.

XIII. New Business

A. New Student Organization Approvals

1. Trading Card Games Club

Brighten, Heresy: I'll start off by introducing myself. My name is Brayton. I'm the president of this club, and this is my vice president, Hershey. So when first coming to the campus this year as a freshman, I was very excited for the chance to meet other people who played Magic the Gathering specifically, but in general trading card games. However, I didn't see this at the student org fair, and I also couldn't find it on Engage. Eventually coming to the conclusion that it simply didn't exist. Kind of put it on the back burner for a while until I found a group of people to play with, and I also taught Hersey here, and got the idea why not start it myself. And this eventually led me here in front of all of you. So as a trading card games club, we hope to provide a sense of community for students through trading card games such as Pokemon, Magic the Gathering, and Yu-Gi-Oh. These games contain all strategy, skill, creativity, and communication, all of which I feel are very important for student life. Some of the programs we plan to hold on campus would be our bi-weekly meetings where we teach about different trading card games. We teach others how to build decks for these trading card games, as well as introduce more people to the world of trading card games in general. In the future, possibly within a year of the club existing, we want to hold tournaments for the community, for our students. So these would be trading card game tournaments, and then possibly we had a little bit of discussion about holding fundraisers for children's organizations. And then when it comes to off-campus stuff that we've been doing and that we plan on doing, we've been going to Four Horsemen's Commander Night, where we play Magic the Gathering in the commander format. We hope to visit different card stores around West Virginia and the surrounding area, as well as visiting conventions for different collectors and trading card games. Currently, we have a Discord server with about 50 members, which we launched in late September. Our server, we feel, is very well organized and is managed by myself and the vice president, as well as our other officers. And in October, we worked with the Collegiate Gaming

Club to further network ourselves by having a table present at their Halloween event. Here, we gained many members and enjoyed our time together playing Magic the Gathering, as well as teaching a few others about this game.

2. LGBTQ+ Speaker's Bureau

Cheyenne Torres, Ty Williams: So if you guys don't know me, I'm Cheyenne, I'm Ty Williams, and we're kind of like the president and the vice president, but we don't really have officer positions because it's more about dialogue and discussion. So basically the Speakers Bureau is a group of students who are trained and educated to have coordinated conversations or open dialogue about a design topic in the LGBTQ experience, whether that be with certain themes, like, safe sex or, like, transgender rights, or just general open discussion to promote and gain ways of understanding what it's like to experience something you've never been through yourself, or just to educate yourself more and learn more things. The Bureau makes it seem like it's, like, very formal. It's very much not. It's just more so conversation in a designated space. The Bureau did originally start at WVU in, like, the early 2000s, but it got kind of, like, disconnected after a group of seniors graduated, so we're kind of bringing it back. Yeah, we've got proposed events for this upcoming January, February, March, and April around some core themes and ideas, the first being sort of a general introduction to the club. We want to be liaisons as there's more vitriol against the LGBTQ community. We want to sort of be those shields where people can come and ask us questions and start to bridge those gaps between this community and the rest of the world. And then the second is HIV, AIDS, and safe sex. The third would be disability and the LGBT community. And then the final one would be around transgender, the transgender umbrella, and getting people introduced to that. Thank you.

3. Mountaineers GAGA Association

Briar Hale, Ethan Enterline: All right, so our background to this org is that we had a ton of fun at Jackson's Mill playing

gaga ball. We realized that we're all absolutely goated and we want to create an elite team in a club to play some hardcore gaga ball regularly. We're talking weekly meets, absolutely insane level of gaga ball, so yeah that's the plan. Also it didn't take us too long. We took the exact right amount of time to make this org. We did quality over speediness. So one thing we were able to bring up is how this is going to impact some of the social problems that we face on campus. We don't want to create this org just because we had a lot of fun and it kind of became a meme let's just say. Social problems definitely do exist on campus and as we discussed in the enrollment survey through SGA, belonging is the forefront reason why students decide to stay or leave the university and the nature of gaga ball is very open to making people feel like they belong because it's difficult for somebody to actually fly under the radar whenever you're in a social setting playing gaga ball. So that's one of the big reasons why we're trying to make this group and one of the big missions we have with getting this group created.

4. Fence Club WVU

Ian Harman: My name is Ian Harman. I'm the founder and president of Fence Club WVU. So while that might sound like a little unusual at first, it's exactly what makes us fun, welcoming, and genuinely unique on campus. Fence Club WVU is a community for really anybody who wants to share appreciation of fences, be it the craftsmanship, history, or just aesthetic. We're going to hold biweekly discussion-based meetings around the different fence types there are, as well as social events and various hands-on activities. Some of the thoughts I've got right now include group hikes, shifts to explore different fences in the area, and maybe even building a fence as a service project in the future. So what makes it stand out is there's nothing else really like this on campus right now. We're a lighthearted but genuine space dedicated to learning new things, and we appreciate the everyday structures that we often overlook. So thank you all for your time.

Senator Cole moved to the previous question by voice, seconded by College Senator Poole. All ayes. The organizations were passed unanimously.

B. Bureau of Finance

1. FB-2025-18:

Julia Leyden, Treasurer: We have a crisp bill tonight it is 13 grants for 12 student organizations. What I really wanted to talk about is that we are 92,262 dollars through our external budget. So realistically, any student org grants requests put in now will not be able to be fulfilled. That's just the reality of the situation. We have a wait list going on right now. We're trying to fulfill those if we can. But they're first come, first served. So that's my update.

President Pro Tempore Robinson motioned to vote by voice, seconded by College Senator Poole. All ayes. The bill was passed unanimously.

XIV. Open Student Forum II

Senator Torres: So NAACP will be having their final event of the semester next week on December 11th. It's a mental health roundtable, and we'll actually be having a couple people from the West Virginia area who have experience in black mental health, and they'll be talking about their personal experience. So if you even want to do some networking, you can do that. It'll be in the Greenbrier room from 5-7.

College Senator Snyder: So I wanted to clarify, my abstention was not because I'm anti-student vote-back. I wanted to clarify, I work in Charleston under the Speaker of the House for the House Legislative Caucus, so I mean, I'm not technically forbidden from voting on it, but Colin can confirm to you, last year I was probably one of the biggest proponents of trying to get this. When we were in Charleston, we were immensely hopeful that this was going to be blocked by the Senate side, and it didn't come out to fruition this way, but I'm wishing the legislative team the best of luck this year in their attempt to get the vote back. I hope it works out for you, and given my extensive experience down there, please call me or shoot me a text as you have questions about how the state legislature works. That's my thing. I know almost every delegate personally, so I'm not an anti-student vote. Good luck, guys. Thank you.

Senator Silva: I just wanted to take a moment to recognize our Ms. Black Appalachia, Cheyenne. You should follow her on her pageant Instagram. Good luck!

XV. Advisors' Reports

Morgan Prunty, M.A.: Yeah, so not much going on on the SEL front. I did send out the link for the sign-ups for the Spring Involvement Fair. I've already gotten like 10 responses from groups, so that was y'all, shout out. But if you guys are interested, those forums are open. They won't close until after we get back from the holiday break. But the Involvement Fair is Tuesday, January 27, from 1 to 4, here in the ballroom. So a good time to connect with potential new members for your all-student orgs. And then aside from that, just like everyone has said this evening, please make sure you guys are taking care of yourself. I know it's crunch time. You guys are trying to stay on top of prepping for finals. So please give yourself some grace, take some breaks, and don't cram too hard, because guess what? You're not going to remember it. So take a nap when you're tired. Thank you.

XVI. Snaps

College Senator Poole: Yeah, I would like to give snaps to the great Cheyenne for her victory. But also, I would also like to give snaps to Briar, and Ethan, and all the other great people who worked on the Gaga ball pit thing. I'm happy to see it come through, and I think it's inspiring to have y'all done. I think that's what we're here for. I hope to see more things like that in the next semester, so good job.

Senator Cole: My snaps are to Ethan for the city council presentation yesterday, and to Mimi, Colin, and our new friend Jose, that we had to interview with the provost's office this morning for that new position, so snaps to everybody.

Julia Leyden, Treasurer: Okay, I'm gonna give snaps to Logan Pierce for a fantastic grant application that he put in for \$25,000, so thank you.

Ethan Enterline, Local Government Liaison: I wanna go now and give snaps to everybody who's made an effort to work in this reality, it's definitely not have been possible without the help of you all. And also to snaps to Mimi and Bryan for helping out with the presentation to the city council and making it a success as well.

Kinslee Watkins, Development Officer: I just wanna give snaps to the Secret Snowflake Fairy. Thanks for getting everyone involved. I'm super excited.

President Street: First is I saw a ton of you at the Woodburn Lighting. I saw your pictures on Instagram. They were all amazing. Make sure you add those pictures to the photo circle. But I know Comms is working on some semester recap stuff. So please send, whether it's Woodburn Lighting or any other SGA event, even if it's just something you went to with another SGA person, please send those pictures to the photo circle. I'm also gonna give snaps, I know I've already done it, to the Comms team as well. Because over break, my dad said he would just run into people at the bank he works at, who would be faculty or staff at WVU, would be like, oh yeah, I watched the Monday Memo or the SGA Spotlight. So the Comms team is doing a really good job of just getting the work that you guys do out there. And it's people that are, or people beyond us that are getting that message. So just thanks to you guys.

Vice President Jones: I would like to give snaps to the entire Provost Search Committee today. One of our candidates wasn't so sure about the role that SGA plays here, and the committee made sure to thoroughly inform them of how involved SGA is here.

College Senator Mugnano: Snaps to Dominic, who's gonna give me a ride after SGA. I really appreciate it.

College Senator Hale: I want to give snaps to Julia, taking over a table a while back, I told her I'd give her snaps for it, she's absolutely amazing for that.

Ava McMullen, Intern: Snaps to Garrett for missing his class today and skipping his class to come spend the last meeting of the semester with the interns. Missing class for SGA. That is true dedication.

XVII. Adjournment

College Senator Selders motioned to adjourn, seconded by College Senator Mugnano. Ayes have it, the meeting was adjourned.
