

**West Virginia University
Student Government Association
Student Assembly Meeting
Vandalia Lounge, Mountainlair, 7:30 PM
August 28th, 2024
2024-2025 Long-Browning Administration**

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Abigail Browning at 7:32pm

II. Reading of the SGA Mission Statement

The SGA Mission Statement was read by Vice President Abigail Browning

III. Roll Call

Roll was called by Executive Secretary Orcutt

President Pro Tempore Olivero - Present

College Senator Barbour - Present

College Senator Bielinski - Present

Senator Davis - Present

College Senator Duvert - Present

Senator Fernando - Absent, Excused

College Senator Ferrell - Present

College Senator Fleece - Present

College Senator Hart - Present

College Senator Henson - Present

Senator Hoh - Present

Senator Indomenico - Present

Senator Jones - Present

College Senator Jones - Present

College Senator Kelly - Present

College Senator Khalilullah - Present

College Senator Lieving - Present

College Senator Lipkovitch - Present

College Senator Lutman - Present
College Senator Madden - Present
College Senator Magrogan - Present
Senator Meeker - Present
College Senator Merlin - Present
College Senator Morgan - Present
Senator Alex Olivero - Present
Senator O'Neal - Present
Senator Plymale - Present
College Senator Robinson - Present
College Senator Schmieder - Present
College Senator Shaffer - Present
College Senator Silva - Present
Senator Street - Present
College Senator Tadros - Present
Senator Vuiller - Present

IV. Reading and Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve agenda was made by President Pro-Tempore Olivero
Motion was seconded by College Senator Lutman
The agenda was approved.

V. Reading and Approval of the Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Senator Indominico
Motion was seconded by College Senator Lipkovich.
The minutes were approved.

VI. Open Student Forum I

Senator Olivero: I'd just like to say that if you did not sign up for First Day Complete, your books were delayed. So looking forward to next semester, I think we should look to help people who choose not to use First Day Complete get their orders fulfilled in a timely manner.

VII. The President's Report

President Long: If you spent any time at all in SGA, you know that you talk about it more and more when you're with your friends. About two years ago, when I was still Attorney General of SGA, I went to eat with Madison Staten, who was Student Org Liaison at the time, we agreed to not talk about SGA for the entire meal, and we succeeded. I hope your summer was this way and you had a nice break, but now it is time to lock in. I think we have a very amazing year ahead and we have a great freshman class. I have heard a lot of great things and they're very engaged. As long as we all work together, I don't see how we could ever fail. I would really like to see all of you try to lead at some point and not just follow. If things don't get done by you, they may never get done. Don't be afraid to take risks, dare to be different. With that being said, my mountaineer moment of the week is the safety fair. We had a great turn out. I will leave you with a quote by Oscar Wilde: "The answers are all out there, we just have to ask the right questions."

VIII. The Vice President's Report

Vice President Browning: I hope you guys had a good summer and your classes are going good. I just wanted to talk about the safety fair. Thank you to those of you who volunteered yesterday and those who came to support. It was a good event and we got a lot of foot traffic. If you didn't get your SGA merch last week, come see me after the meeting or send me a text.

VIII. Assembly Reports

No assembly reports at this time.

IX. Committee Reports

No committee reports at this time.

X. Executive Reports

Chief of Staff Risk: Executives, I sent out the link to schedule your one-on-ones with me, so if you haven't done that, go ahead schedule those. Also wanted to let you know that our monthly reports will start next month. The most important thing I have to report on is our SGA

member of the month. This is a new thing that we will be doing where cabinet decides during our meeting one member of SGA who has really worked hard that month. This month's SGA member of the month is someone who has done a lot of work over the Summer, and that would be our website designer Hunter Oxley. Our new website is gorgeous and everyone should go check it out, he has worked very hard.

Communications Coordinator Roush: Thanks to everyone who has been sharing my graphics on Instagram. We have gotten a lot of traction. We need more followers and people to hear our message. We are also implementing the SGA newsletter this year. It will be released the first week of every month. It will be used to recap our month in SGA and used to highlight events happening in the next month. There will be a section to highlight resources on campus and plug in different resources. I will be sending out a link for members to submit information for the newsletter. First newsletter will be released next week, so send in your submissions. Second, we will be doing headshots next week so everyone can have their picture featured on the SGA website. This is mandatory. The cabinet has decided that you must wear your SGA polos. I will be sending out a Google Sheet for timeslots. In the Potomac Room. If you need a graphic for any events, please fill out the graphic request form.

Local Governance Liaison Ferguson: The Richwood Project is happening this year, SGA has thrown together a little group to meet with people in the city of Morgantown just to make sure the voices of the student body are being heard. They are redeveloping the Richwood area and we met with them and they took some of our ideas from last year. There are some retail and working spaces available and they want another parking garage and a grocery store for the downtown area. There will also be a restaurant and an event space, specifically for sororities. There will also be some housing. If anyone has any suggestions for the Morgantown partnership, we meet with them biweekly, bring them to us and we will voice them during the meeting.

XI. Old Business

No Old Business at this time.

XII. New Business

A. New Student Organization Approval

1. Science and Law Advancement in Youth (SLAY)

The ayes have it, the organization is approved.

B. Confirmation of Bureau of Finance Voting Members

- 1. Andrew Indomenico, Senator**
- 2. Olivia Schmieder, College Senator (Davis)**
- 3. Alex Olivero, Senator**
- 4. Jordan Kelly, College Senator (Eberly)**
- 5. Peyton Bielinski, College Senator (CAHS)**
- 6. Quinn Wooten, Policy Coordinator**
- 7. Matthew Olivero, President Pro Tempore**
- 8. Elise Vuiller, Senator**
- 9. Hunter Oxley, Website Designer**
- 10. Daniel Madden, College Senator (Chambers)**
- 11. Julia Leyden, Student Organizations Liaison**

The assembly voted by secret ballot. All members passed.

C. Adoption of a revision to the 2024-2025 Special Rules of Procedure

President Long: It is simple. We are more than our meetings. We need to walk the walk and not fatigue people. I don't think that any of our meetings need to last longer than 2 hours. Our faculty senate does this, they have a 2 hour cap on their meetings. I think it is important for students in more demanding fields who have a lot of homework, they need their rest. By shortening the meeting times, we will make SGA a more productive organization, because time is very precious.

President Pro-Tempore Olivero: I just want to voice my support for this adjustment to the special rules. Sometimes the meetings can get unnecessarily long and being here until 11:30 is not ideal. I think it is well structured, and I hope everyone supports it.

President Pro-Tempore Olivero made the motion to approve, seconded by Senator Indominico.

The ayes have it. The adoption passes.

XIII. Open Student Forum II

Senator Street: Two things. We are trying to expand and get period products to be distributed on HSC and Evansdale, so if you're interested in helping with that, let me know. We are also interested in trying to help improve the PRT station. For example, we are interested in

getting heaters for cold days, or benches. We have a meeting set up at 3:30 on September 6th, if you are interested, let me know and I'll send you the zoom link.

XIV. Advisors' Reports

Thahn Le: If you are a part of a Student Org, please encourage leaders to submit the re registration forms by September 15th. If you don't you will lose your privileges. If you are a senior, we encourage you to apply for Homecoming Court, and we are looking for student organizations to apply to be in the homecoming parade.

XV. Snaps

Snaps were given to President Long, The Committee Chairs, College Senator Magrogan, Vice-President Browning, Bureau of Finance Members, and all SGA members in attendance.

XVI. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by College Senator Magrogan, seconded by Senator Olivero.

The ayes have it. The meeting was adjourned.