

West Virginia University Student Government Association Student Assembly Meeting Vandalia Lounge, Mountainlair, 7:30 PM April 9th, 2025 2024-2025 Long-Browning Administration

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Abigail Browning at 7:30 pm

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 Armstrong - Absent

College Senator Bielinski - Present

Senator Davis - Present

College Senator Duvert - Present

Senator Fernando - Present

College Senator Fleece - Present

College Senator Giggenbach - Present

College Senator Henson - Present

Senator Hoh - Present

Senator Indomenico - Present

Senator Jones - Absent

College Senator Jones - Absent

College Senator Kelly - Absent

College Senator Khalilullah - Absent

College Senator Lipkovitch - Present

College Senator Lutman - Present

College Senator Madden - Present

College Senator Magrogan - Present

Senator Meeker - Present

College Senator Mehring - Present

College Senator Merlin - Present

College Senator Mugnano - Present

Senator Olivero - Present

Senator O'Neal - Present

Senator Plymale - Present

College Senator Robinson - Present

College Senator Schmieder - Absent

College Senator Selders - Present

College Senator Shaffer - Absent

College Senator Silva - Present

Senator Street - Present

College Senator Tadros - Present

Senator Vuiller - Present

IV. Reading and Approval of the Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by President Pro-Tempore Olivero, seconded by College Senator Robinson

The agenda was Approved

V. Reading and Approval of the Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes was made by President Pro-Tempore Olivero, seconded by College Senator Robinson

The minutes were approved

VI. Open Student Forum I

Ben Seabolt: Charity spin class for Calisto is this Saturday at noon. Please send me song requests.

VII. Presentation from Mark Webb, WVU Social Media Strategist

Webb: Currently, we are going around asking for opinions and feedback regarding the way that students like to be communicated with. Please scan this QR code to take this survey. I will go through each section and then after each section I will open the floor for opinions and questions. We want to invest in the things that you all care about. The three topics are communication preferences, events, and brand giveaways. Questions 1 and 2 are about UNEWS, do you like it, is the content good, and is there anything else you'd like to see here? 3 and 4 ask if you like the email model or would you like to see more on the social media accounts, or do you like the physical signage like the InfoStations? 5 & 6 speak to the content. Do you like to receive photos, videos, and graphics? What information would you like to receive more of from the University?

College Senator Robinson: I like the emails, but a lot of people don't like them. Short form content posted on instagram or a graphic newsletters. Events that have the biggest impact or draw the most students would be best.

Communications Coordinator Roush: The separate social media accounts may be the reason why there are communication issues. The WestVirginiaU account has more traction than the StudentLife account. Utilizing the main instagram account more may help there.

Senator Olivero: The main account is what they tell you to follow at NSO.

College Senator Robinson: The main account is promoted more.

Webb: Questions 7 & 8 are about events. Which events interest you? Do you prefer weekly programming or large events that happen once or twice a year?

College Senator Magrogan: I like the ones that don't happen as often because it builds anticipation. But I also like Up All Night, so I think it depends on what it is.

Senator Street: Having some things be spontaneous may be hard for students to attend. As a busy student, I know that if it isnt on my calendar, I am probably not gonna go.

College Senator Mugnano: Same as Colin. Also having promotion for the big events does make them more special.

College Senator Magrogan: I also like seeing updates for the things that happen often so people remember to come the next time

Webb: The next questions are about brand giveaways. Traditionally, we've done the buttons. What types of giveaways do you wanna see? T-Shirts, pens, notebooks?

President Long: I am a fan of blind bags with collectables.

Treasurer Leadmon: People will do anything for a T-Shirt

Senator Vuiller: Anything you can wear is awesome, especially for freshmen who may not have a lot of garb. I think also having student work promoted in a giveaway is awesome, too.

Webb: Would you all like to have things branded by different locations on campus?

Senator Vuiller: Yeah, if it were branded well toward students. I also think that universality is good, but if you ask incoming freshmen to design the welcome week logo, that could be cool.

College Senator Mehring: Stickers would be cool, too. People love to collect them.

College Senator Merlin: Yeah, I agree that some of the simple logo shirts are boring.

Communications Coordinator Roush: I think vintage designs would be cool, and also things for the specific colleges, since some of them don't have their own special merch.

Treasurer Leadmon: Iconic buildings and statues on shirts would be nice too.

College Senator Selders: There are clothes from the 80s or 90s from the Ex-Phys program that I wear. If we can have more clothing items that have buildings or the PRT that would be cool.

Senator Street: I agree with Mary on the colleges. To me, buttons would be the first thing that get thrown away because you can't use them often.

College Senator Robinson: To summarize, the designs have gotten too simple and basic.

Senator Vuiller: I think giving things away that are more sustainable or that are recycled may help too.

Senator Fernando: I am a fan of the welcome week shirts just for the memories. It's like merch at a concert.

College Senator Magrogan: I love a crewneck or hoodie. So many of us wear the SGA ones we get all the year.

Webb: How do you like to receive these giveaways?

College Senator Robinson: I think the reason why the maniacs are so successful is because the items are limited. It brings in incentive

College Senator Mehring: As an RA, I agree.

College Senator Mugnano: Having multiple options would also be good. Giveaway the basic designs for free, but then have people enter the giveaway for bigger things

Senator Vuiller: Also, service incentivized giveaways would be awesome. Also for 21st birthdays you get a free dining hall card. Do things for students' birthdays so they feel seen by the university. Larger events are very nice, but smaller events may get more attention due to giveaways. Basically, trying to get students to be involved in the merchandise creation process. Student Life can also use this to their advantage. Make sure the things that you are giving out are sustainable and offer recycling.

Senator Street: Are you able to send us your data for UNEWS?

Webb: Of course, I'll get that sent out. This has been very helpful, thank you for your input today.

VIII. The President's Report

President Long: This is our final official meeting. Savor it for all that it is. I am so proud of you all for making it here and I am very thankful to Abi, Susie, Erin, Thanh, and the caterers for Sunday. Also, there's boba in Jazzman's. This is the last call for Transition Documents, they're due tonight. Also please attend Mocktails with the Mountaineer tomorrow. Also please attend Ben's Zenergy event. For the Arts Alliance, we will have our 9 to 5 event on Friday with President Gee. If you would like to join the board, please email me by Monday. I also wanted to talk about HB3279, or the BOG bill. It passed the senate and is heading to the house for a concurrence vote. It is probably going to pass. I think this has alerted us to an opportunity, and I think that next year we need to show everyone that student voices matter. We are the only elected student representatives at WVU and everyone should be pushing to have a voice on what happens at this University. My quote is "Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a hard battle." - Plato

IX. The Vice President's Report

Vice President Browning: Today I sent out an email to the seniors, so please fill that out for senior recognition on Sunday. Also please fill out the superlatives form. Reminder that brunch is from 11-1. The dress code is business casual, no jeans please.

X. Assembly Reports

No one recognized for assembly reports

XI. Committee Reports

College Senator Silva: Zenergy ride is on saturday, please come and sign up.

XII. Executive Reports

Chief of Staff Risk: Share a Swipe is tomorrow, if you have time to table, please sign up. Particularly we need people in the morning on Evansdale. Everything is in the groupme. Also thanks to everyone who came to formal.

Internal Senates Liaison Hickle: At faculty senate, it seems like the BOG bill is going to pass, but there are other changes. They are trying to propose expanding the board and 8 have to be from WV. There is a seat reserved for Tech and Potomac State, and they're pushing that faculty and student representatives can at least sit in even though they don't have a voting voice.

Outreach Coordinator Cantwell: We hit our poptab collection of over 100,000, around 69 pounds.

Intern Coordinator Skaff: Tomorrow is Mocktails with the Mountaineer. Tonight was our last meeting. I began working on this curriculum in June and my goal was to make these interns active leaders and get them connected with campus resources from the jump. Our interns split into three groups and worked on their goals. They attended committee meetings and worked on legislation. We set a record retention rate. 27 people will be returning next year. I can't wait to see what you all do next year. Thank you to the cabinet and the mentors.

XIII. Old Business

A. AP-2025-04-01, An Assembly Proclamation to Support Research and Creative

Activity in the Creative Arts and Humanities

Senator Indominco explained the bill in lieu of reading it.

College Senator Robinson moved to end discussion, seconded by College Senator Silva

College Senator Robinson Moved to vote on the bill, seconded by President Pro-Tempore Olivero.

The bill was approved.

B. AP-2025-04-02, An Assembly Proclamation to Recognize Collegiate Recovery's Impact on Campus Culture

College Senator Bielinski explained the bill in lieu of reading it.

College Senator Magrogan moved to end discussion, seconded by College Senator Silva

President Pro-Tempore Olivero moved to vote on the bill, seconded by Senator Street

The bill was approved.

C. AR-2025-04-01, An Assembly Resolution to Encourage Additional Accessibility Measures on the PRT Stations

College Senator Tadros explained the bill in lieu of reading it.

Senator Olivero moved to end discussion, seconded by College Senator Silva

Senator Olivero moved to vote on the bill, seconded by Senator Street

The bill was approved.



D. AR-2025-04-03, An Assembly Resolution to Improve the Campus Feel on

Evansdale

Senator Davis explained the bill in lieu of reading it.

President Pro-Tempore Olivero moved to end discussion, seconded by College

Senator Silva

President Pro-Tempore Olivero moved to vote on the bill, seconded by College

Senator Silva

Moved to end discussion, seconded by

Moved to vote on the bill, seconded by

The bill was approved.

E. AR-2025-04-04, An Assembly Resolution to Increase Art Indoors on Campus

Senator Davis explained the bill in lieu of reading it.

Senator Vuiller moved to end discussion, seconded by College Senator Robinson

College Senator Silva Moved to vote on the bill, seconded by College Senator

Robinson

The bill was approved.

XIV. New Business

A. New Student Organization Approval

- 1. Lions Club at West Virginia University
- 2. Kappa Alpha Pi Fraternity Beta Delta Chapter

Both organizations were approved



B. AP-2025-04-05, An Assembly Proclamation to Promote Off Campus Housing

Resources

Senator Hoh moved to Fast Track the bill, seconded by College Senator Silva

Senator Hoh read the bill

College Senator Silva moved to end discussion, seconded by Senator Vuiller

College Senator Silva moved to vote on the bill, seconded by Senator Vuiller

The bill was approved.

C. SGA 2024-25 Final Audit

The final audit was presented by Auditor Mollica and Treasurer Leadmon.

Auditor Mollica: The BOF had 171 applications starting in August. We awarded 131 grants. It closed on February 14th and we had 19 Financial Bills. On page 24, I have a few analyticals. That graph is a bit deceiving, considering break months, but it is even throughout. 15% of our budget went to law clubs. 10% of the budget went to premedical clubs.

Treasurer Leadmon: So if you are going to be here next year, tell your orgs about SGA grants if they are outside of law school. At the bottom are our emails if you wanna slide in.

College Senator Mugnano: Did anyone find any extra numbers issues?

Treasurer Leadmon: There are no numbers issues, only number delights.

Auditor Mollica: We triple audited this.

XV. Open Student Forum II

Policy Coordinator Wooten: Pre-Law society will be holding their elections tomorrow night, and we are hosting a three way formal with women in law and women in politics and government friday at joes.

Senator O'Neal: Student Life is tabling for Pride on the Green, please sign up in the chat.

College Senator Merlin: We just applied for a grant through the school of Public Health to apply for a cabinet for HSC. Also we got 1700 products for the period of giving. 100 Black Women also gave us tons of period products today. 2700 products total.

Senator Vuiller: Going back down to McDowell county this Saturday, let me know if you want to come. SAPTF has been working with Calisto on an event at 123. Daisy Duke's and D's is on April 24th, the fee is \$5. Lastly, I have been organizing a cleanup event with SSC on the following friday 12-4. Everyone who volunteers will get a ticket for a raffle basket and an extra ticket for all trash bags you fill up.

Senator Street: Executive application for next year is still open until next Wednesday. This time I will actually send it to the groupme.

College Senator Selders: I am asking you guys to please support public health in this state. I know we are in a health care desert right now, so please stay informed and please stand with your public health workers. It can happen to any of you. My aunt and my best friends father just lost their jobs because of this. You are not untouchable. Please be accountable and speak out when you van.

President Pro-Tempore Olivero: I just met with our state senators about those issues, but please call and reach out to your senators. People really take that into account. Don't forget that you have that power.

XVI. Advisors' Reports

Thanh Le: There is an incentive from WVU when you turn 21. You must complete a survey to be entered into the giveaway. Next week is the kickoff for the student organization's new year. You can re register beginning on April 15th. We are having a kick off event next week, so come grab some snacks and learn how to re register your org.

XVII. Snaps

Snaps were given to CGR, Health and Safety, Academic Affairs, College Senator Tadros, Student Life, College Senator Merlin, Charlie, Abi, Senator Street, College Senator Jones, Pre-Law Organizations for taking so much money, Susie for choosing Sunny's for formal, and Shelby



XVIII. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by College Senator Jones, seconded by College Senator Selders

The ayes have it, the meeting was adjourned.