

Wittenberg University Student Senate Minutes

Outline Below:

SENATE MEETING AGENDA

On Tuesday, April 9th at 7:00

- b. Dewey, Vice President—
 - i. No report.
- c. Kuzilwa Treasurer—
 - i. Budget allocations have been made. I will be presenting the budget to Casey Gill this week and bring the budget to senate next week.
- d. XXX, Secretary—
 - i. There are vacant positions for Senate next year, so hopefully people apply for those after the election result email is sent out, but if not reach out to interested individuals to get them to apply.
- e. Terrell, FSG—
 - i. No report.
- f. Stern, 2024—
 - i. Don't forget to donate for your philanthropy cord!
 - 1. You can get your senior cord at the senior class photo on April 18th.
- g. Peña, Public Relations—
 - i. No report.
- h. Lightner, Diversity—
 - i. No report.
- i. Browning, Student Organizations—
 - i. Still waiting for the Golf Club to resubmit their documents.
 - 1. The new senate will have to be the ones to vote on new student organization going forward this year.
 - ii. For the student leadership awards, does anyone have any incentive for people to submit more nominations?
 - 1. There were 43 nominations for the 16 awards.
 - 2. Ideally, the office would like to see 100, because some awards did not get any nominations.
 - 3. One thought I had was for the "Program of the Year" award coming with a stipend for a program in the following year. Would there be a way Senate could sponsor this?
 - a. Student Senate would like to see more engagement from students before putting a financial incentive for this event, to ensure that all students are getting an equal opportunity to receive the award.
 - i. If Senate is not willing to put forward the money initially, that engagement of students applying won't happen. Chicken and egg situation.
 - ii. Potential for creating financial incentives for 2 or 3 awards as a test pilot to see if this would generate more engagement, and depending on results can either be expanded to include more incentives or be reduced after testing the potential.

4. Senate discussion on increasing engagement for the Student Leadership Awards:
 - a. The fact that this event is functionally another Honors Convocation, while taking place less than a week after Honors Convocation itself, makes applying for the awards/attending the ceremony itself more inconvenient for students than anything.
 - i. The Honors Convocation recognizes individual achievement whereas the Student Leadership Awards recognize more organizational achievement, but from a student perspective, unless you are HIGHLY engaged with that organization there's no real incentive to apply
 - ii. If the event could be structured more like a spin-off of an organization "formal event"—much like how Athletics hosts the Ezrys Award ceremony—would create a distinctly different type of event than the Honors Convocation and brings more variety of types of events that recognize achievement

- ii. The Greek Life Photoshoot occurred earlier today and there was good turnout.
- I. Weis, Green—
 - i. I have made a reservation for the CDR and adjacent room for this event and included Katie Simms, Casey Gill, and Joi G. S. to get this approved by someone with clearance
 - 1. Casey may have an update on this. If not, have to make sure the space gets approved for us.
 - a. To disrupt brunch in the CDR there needs to be a plan set in stone, and needs to be presented in a formal agenda status in order to be approved. Casey will be meeting with Joi tomorrow and if she has any further questions

- q. Neutzling SAAC —
 - i. Home games/meets:
 - 1. 4/9: Baseball @ 5:15pm vs Cedarville
 - 2. 4/10: Baseball @ 6:00pm vs Bluffton
 - 3. 4/12: Men's volleyball @ 7:00pm vs Mount Union
- r. Specht GSDA —
 - i. Drag Brunch: April 2011-1pm
 - 1. Poster is coming out soon.
 - 2. Let's set up a meeting.
 - ii. Looking to find people who would like to be exec!
 - 1. Let me know if anyone is interested or know anyone interested!
 - 2. All positions available.
- s. Pipinich, 2025—
 - i. No report.
- t. Harper, 2026—
 - i. There is a concern that the coffee creamer in the CDR is not being refilled when it runs out.
 - 1. They will take the creamer container away to refill it, but then it never returns.
- u. Lowry, 2027 —
 - i.

- i. The rising senior class officers have historically carried banners and torches during commencement, so if this amendment were to go through who would fill in those vacancies during commencement?
 - 1. The rising senior and junior representatives will fulfill these duties, with the incoming Student Senate President and Vice President being additional options if the junior class representatives are unable to attend.
 - ii. Motion - Browning
 - iii. Seconded - Lowry
 - iv. Result Passed
- b. Article V: Election Codes Section 1,5,6 [Proposed Amendments 3.26.2024 Article V 1,5,6 Proposed Amendments \(RL\) .pdf](#)
 - i. Motion – Dewey
 - ii. Seconded – Kuzilwa
 - iii. Result Passed
- c. Article IV: Officers of Student Senate: Section [Proposed Amendments 3.26.2024 Article IV Prop \(v.\)](#) TJ / TT1 1 Tf 0 Tc 0 Tw 0.935 0 Tl:26.2024

- i. Motion – Browning
 - ii. Seconded – Hunt
 - iii. Result Passed
- f. Article V: Student Senate Committees: Section [Proposed Amendments 3.26.2024 Article V Section 1,2,3 Proposed Amendments \(RL\) .pdf](#)
 - i. Motion –Kuzilwa
 - ii. Seconded – Dewey
 - iii. Result –Passed
- g. Allocation of \$540.00 (\$180.00/each) ~~animal01 Tw 3.91 TwCo1 TD~~
 - iii.