Come to order at 4:30 pm
Attendance: 42
Voting Members in Attendance: 39
Quorum: Yes
Approval of last meetings minutes: Motion to approve last week's minutes by Katie Alexander and seconded by Robert Gomez. Motion Passed.

Guests:
Dr. Adrienne King, Vice President for Marketing and Outreach:
The new Murray State University website will have remade templates for emails, letters, and phone scripts that can be available to you tomorrow. We have developed a way to access photographs from around the university. The program is called Smugmug. Anyone can pull the pictures from these public albums. Smugmug is more organized than the previous use of Flickr. We want to regulate the use of the photographs, and everyone is using the best pictures available. Please remember to provide photo credit to the university if you use the pictures. The website is: https://murraystateuniversity.smugmug.com. You can share the photos or buy a print of one of the photos. We will try to have a 24-hour turnaround after each MSU event. “Racers in Action” links will be available on the Murray State University main webpage starting tomorrow.

Dr. Renee Fister, Senior Presidential Advisor for Strategic Initiatives:
Staff Congress, Faculty Senate, Administrative Council, and Dr. Davies have discussed the Governor’s proposed budget. Our vision has not changed at Murray State University. The MSU Vision Statement is, “Be the best student center in the nation.” The proposed budget is a 4.5% decrease from this year, which is 2.1 million dollars. A proposed 9% decrease is also proposed. We have one of the highest retention rates, right behind the University of Kentucky. Seventy-nine percent of students get jobs in their major within twelve months of graduating. Dr. Davies has organized a budget taskforce organization. The Provost and Jackie Dudley are heading the organization, staff Regent, and SGA President; Clint Combs are on the committee. Dr. Todd, the Dean, the Faculty Regent and the Faculty President are trying to find the money to make up for the 2.1 million budget deficits. We are investigating all of our avenues to handle this situation. We will have the challenge of student admissions. We have 1,198 student admissions above what we were at this time last year. We have more students in our top tier than in the bottom two tiers of the scholarship tiers for next fall. Another challenge is an increase in pension. We have to be mindful of the tuition rate. Tuition may have to go up. Tuition is $3,804 for 12 hours. A three percent increase will be another $114 dollars. The structure we are working on with all of these is to achieve the goal of being the best public university in the region. “It’s not what you know, it’s how you use what you know” to overcome.
Dr. Don Robertson, Vice President for Student Affairs:
There is a need for additional call boxes. Funding has been attained it just needs to be installed. One call box will be installed on the corner of White and Regents. Another call box will be closer to the Curris Center. Congratulations on great advocacy for your constituents!

Mr. Evan Ditty, Coordinator of Greek Life and Student Leadership Programs:
No Report

Mrs. Jeanie Morgan, Advisor to SGA and Student Organizations:
Robert Gomez will be leading the Blood Drive Competition on February 16th and February 17th from 9am-3pm in the Dance Lounge. Please help him with this if you can!

Mrs. Paula Amols, Director of Dining Services:
A reminder: next Wednesday night is the Chinese New Year Dinner in Winslow. Next Tuesday, February 9th, 2016 will be the first Student Dining Committee at 5pm in the Hart Café. This committee will be meeting bi-weekly.

Officer Reports:
Clint Combs, President:
I have an update from Jason Youngblood. The electric pole that is being propped up is the one that was broken off during a storm over Christmas break. We are waiting to schedule a time to replace the pole with a new one. It shouldn't be too much longer... hopefully. Advocacy efforts will include an online petition, on another “Racers in Action” Day next Monday in the Curris Center. Please advertise the website and the efforts that we have put forth. The Admitted Student Open House is tomorrow in the CFSB Center. There are about 500 admitted students. Will Sims, Nathan Payne, Katie Alexander, Robert Gomez, and Patrick Hooks volunteered to attend and help with the event. Please be there from 4:45pm to 8pm tomorrow. Please shoot me an email at ccombs1@murraystate.edu. We will be unveiling updates to our constitution for Judicial Board, Campus Activities Board, and Residential College Association next week. The petition will be released in an email to you all. I will email it tonight. We really want to make this semester a big one because SGA may be getting a budget cut in the near future. We will be giving out 100 selfie-sticks to increase student participation in SGA/CAB events We need to have the goal of retaining our future leaders at our SGA events If you have a friend that is a good candidate to fulfill your position on CAB, encourage them to apply and get involved. SGA Elections are coming soon! Applications are due February 29th at noon, and need to be physically handed into Jeanie Morgan in the CSI Office. We have had only three applications turned in so far.

Nathan Payne, Vice President & President of Campus Activities Board:
Presidential Lecture is on February 8th, 2016, make sure you wear Business Attire and show up to Lovett Auditorium at 6:45pm. There is a reception that follows the lecture immediately in Pogue library. Valentine’s Day Serenade is on February 12th, 2016. Eric Obermeyer will be playing the piano in the Curris Center for Valentine’s Day. Pet therapy will be on February 10th, 2016 at noon.
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**Rachel Ross, Treasurer:**
Money Tip of the Week: Download the Wal-Mart Savings Catcher App, Shopkick App. We have four Slip Fund meetings for next Tuesday.

**Heather Raley, Secretary:**
Please remember, office hours begin this week! The full two hours in the CSI Office is required as stated in the leadership agreements. If you do not complete the full two hours in a week, it will be considered an unexcused absence. Email me if you have any questions or concerns about this. The current vacancies on Senate include: (1) College of Business, (1) College of Nursing and Health Sciences, (1) College of Education, (1) Hart Residential College, (1) Richmond Residential College.

**Branch Reports**

**Erin Shaughnessy, Judicial Board Chair:**
We had our first meeting last week; we will hold another meeting next week. We have two alternate positions available on Judicial Board. It is not a huge time commitment. Parking Tip of the Week: Parallel Parking, the state regulates that we mandate that students park the same way and the flow of traffic. This means that your driver’s side door is facing the road.

**Paula Jaco, President of Residential College Association:**
RCA is looking for officer applicants. Spread the word!

**Senate Chair Reports**

**Tori Wood, Chief of Staff:**
No report

**Christian Barnes, Government Relations (in absence of Ellen Adkisson):**
My committee should have received a googledoc for the Racers in Action Day next Monday. I would love as much support as we can.

**Caitlin Dunaway, Publications and Literature:**
I am going to have a “What is SGA” Table before SGA election applications are due. I will have more details to come!

**Michael Mann, University Affairs:**
The next basketball game, Austin Peay game this Saturday at 5:30pm (Women’s game) we will be handing out Blood Drive flyers. We will also have a table from 10am-2pm in the Curris Center.

**Sachin Jadhav, Webmaster:**
No report

**Cassidy Carroll, Elections Ways and Means:**
No report
Committee Reports:
None

Old Business:
None

New Business:
Emily Baker, thank you for stepping up and taking the position in the Marketing Focus Group. Emily Baker: I would really like to have participation by five other Senators for this focus group. If you are interested you can email me at ebaker6@murraystate.edu by Friday. She can provide you with the dates and times of the meetings.
Voting on Bill 79-16-B1 to Accept the University Budget Advisory Committee Charter. Voting on Bill 79-16-B2 to Accept the Amendments to the Judicial Board Constitution. Motion to enter a closed session has been moved to accept Connor Moore. Patrick Hooks called to question. Vote in favor 26 and those opposed 0. Followed by unanimous agreement among the Senate to approve. Motion passed.

Announcements:
No Announcements

Motion to adjourn meeting by Will Sims and seconded by Robert Gomez. Motion Passed.
Adjourn at 5:35pm