

Murray State Student Government Association

MEETING MINUTES 2/15

Come to order: 4:30 pm

Approval of minutes: Motion to approve by Owen Smith; seconded by Cameron

Woods. Minutes approved.

Old Business:

- None to report

New Business:

- Amendment to Bill 92-23-R1 first reading

Announcements:

- We have moved to our new office on the second floor!
- Current Senate vacancy applications are online.
- Jeanie, Kade, Ellie, and Gabe will be out of office for NACA this Saturday-Thursday. If you have any emergent questions or concerns contact Claudia or Jacob, as they will be in town during this time.
- Elections are coming up at the beginning of March. With that being said, all positions will be open for the next term. If you want to run for your current position again next year, you must submit an application for elections.
- Delta Sigma Theta is hosting their Delta Week this week. Check the GroupMe for more information from Amya.

Presenters/Guests: none for this meeting

Branch Reports

Lexi Stone (Chief Justice):

- The J Board has held their second meeting regarding appeals. Lexi is staying in communication with parking services about the visitor parking zones, mentioned at the last meeting.

Nicholas Novotka (Residential College President):

- This Saturday, February 16th is Residential College Night for basketball;
 the Res hall with the most attendance gets a pizza party in their building.
- Student Life Improvement Project (SLIP): available to student organizations and funds up to \$500 for programming and conferences.
- RCA held a clothes pin decorating night for the upcoming conference on Wednesday night from 7-9 in Franklin classroom
- RA applications are open on March 6 through the 27th. Interviews will be held April 1st through April 2nd.
- The Regional Business Conference is this weekend: Friday-Sunday.



Officer Reports

Jacob Fritts (Vice President of Finance):

 Next Tuesday (February 21st) is the budget advisory meeting with the rest of the university. Here they will be discussing updates regarding funding and finances.

Claudia Sweeney (Vice President of Administration):

- QR code for the GroupMe displayed on the projector for the new Senate members to join.
- If you have a report and would like to display graphics or information on the meeting powerpoint–email the information to Claudia beforehand to add to the slideshow.

Gabe Maynard (Executive Vice President & President of Campus Activities Board):

- The CAB meeting was held this Wednesday night at 5:30, after the Senate meeting.
- Upcoming CAB events: Succulents will be held on March 15th (the first day of the Murray Madness CAB event). Stuff A Pet will be held on March 28th.

Ellie McGowan (President):

- The National Association of Campus Activities (NACA) conference is this weekend. Jeanie, Kade, Ellie, and Gabe will be attending; contact Claudia or Jacob if you need anything.
- The Rally for Higher Education is coming up on March 9th, in Frankfort, KY.
- The next Board of Regents meeting is next Friday (February 24th).
- Ellie has contacted some on campus facilities regarding availability for meeting spaces. Once she hears back from them she will give an update.

Director Reports

Amya Ferguson, Diversity and Inclusion: no report.

Hanna Scott, Election Ways and Means:

- Election applications are due on February 27th by noon. The candidates meeting will be held that night at 5pm. If you are unable to attend, you must send a representative.

Emma Gage, Enrollment Management & Student Success:



 Members from the Freshman Council were in attendance for this week's Senate meeting. There was a Freshman council meeting held after the Senate meeting.

Government Relations, Luke Wyatt:

- Luke sent out bills that are on the move, in the GroupMe for everyone to read.
- The Tuition Freeze Bill has no traction right now. This bill would not be in the best interest of Murray State.

Shana Leuking, Public Relations:

Make sure to follow the social media accounts and share the posts!

University Affairs:

Isaiah Pruitt, Chief of Staff: absent from meeting; no report.

University Committee Reports

President's Office, Dr. Bob Jackson & Government Relations, Jordan Smith: absent from meeting; out of town in Frankfort, KY.

Student Affairs Office, Dr. Don Robertson:

- February is Black History month. You can find all of this month's activities listed on the multicultural website.
- Career services hosted a fashion show this Wednesday.
- The Presidential Lecture is on February 28th at 7:30pm in Lovett auditorium. Encourage your peers to attend.
- Beginning on March 6th, the Murray State Health Services will have a Nurse Practitioner in the office. The regular hours for Health Services are Monday-Friday from 8-4:30pm.
- Racer Nation Orientation now has 1178 attendees–numbers have increased since last year's.
- The Free Speech Zones on campus can be found on the Student Life website.
- Make sure to share all on-campus information with fellow students.

MSU Police, Chief Ryan Orr:

- The scam emails are popping up again. Make sure to report these to the police if you receive them.

Facilities Management, Mr. Jason Youngblood: absent from meeting; no report.



Dining Services, Mr. Jim Halcolmbe & Mrs. Megan Hart:

- The Love Bites event took place this Tuesday with 69 attendants.
- Dining Services are still taking recommendations for what students would like to see on campus.
- Upcoming events:
 - Culinary Council was held this Wednesday (1st session from noon-1pm; second session from 5pm-6pm). This is a come and go event with samples provided.
 - Thursday February 16th is the February Birthdays treat- Smores bar from 5pm-8pm.
 - February 21st will be the Mardi Gras celebration at Winslow-Decorate your own King cake from 4pm-8pm.
 - Wednesday February 22nd is the Black History Bowl and Soul Food Dinner with the Office of Multicultural Affairs- 4pm-8pm.

Auxiliary Services, Mr. David Looney:

 Download the Live safe app, especially with the current seasonal weather-significant safety issue.

Advisor to SGA & Student Organizations, Mrs. Jeanie Morgan:

- We have moved into our new offices on the second floor of Curris!

Center for Student Involvement Office Coordinator, Mr. Kade Gambill:

- Get applications turned in for elections and make sure to be at the candidates meeting on February 27th. Applications MUST be sent prior to noon on the 27th.
- The Jim Ballard Staff Award nominations are due on March 8th.

 Nominations must be a staff member at Murray State for at least 5 years.
- The Ralph Woods Award nominations are also due- nominations must be a\n upcoming graduate.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Gavin Dickerson and seconded by Grady Ward. Motion Passed. Adjourn at 5:06pm.