



Murray State Student Government Association

MEETING MINUTES 4/26

Come to order: 4:53pm

Approval of minutes: Motion to approve by Cameron Woods; seconded by Michael Arnal Brown—minutes approved as read.

Old Business: none to report.

New Business:

- Confirmation and appointment of the 2023-2024 Senate.
 - Motion to confirm by Jake Hicks and seconded by Skylar Lawrence. Motion passed unanimously—newly elected Senate confirmed.
 - New positions sworn in by Chief Justice, Lexi Stone.
- Awards & recognitions:
 - Jeanie Morgan Student Senate Awards:
 - Outstanding Senate Chair: Emma Gage
 - Outstanding Residential College Senator: Cam Woods
 - Outstanding Senator at-large: Austin Randolph
 - Outstanding Academic College Senator: Cole Wells
 - SGA president award, given by Jeanie Morgan, presented to Ellie McGowan.
- Appointment of the following vacancies:
 - Enrollment, Management, and Success Senate Chair - Emma Gage
 - Public Relations Senate Chair - Olivia Heinzman
 - Election, Ways, and Means Senate Chair - Isaiah Pruitt
 - Government Relations Senate Chair - Luke Wyatt
 - University Affairs Senate Chair - Luke Payne
 - Senator at Large - Noah Mason
 - Senator at Large - Reid Davenport
 - Senator at Large - Brendan Hawkins
 - Jones College of Science, Engineering, and Technology Senator - Pate McCormick
 - Nursing & Health Professions Senator - Ellie Youngblood
 - Elizabeth RCC Senator - Canon Adams
 - Franklin RCC Senator - Clay Barker
 - Richmond RCC Senator - Caleb Trieb
 - Associate Justice - Eve Jacobson
 - Motion to approve slate as read, made by Cameron Woods and seconded by Michael Arnal Brown—motion passed unanimously.
- Nate Ragland has been appointed by the executive team as Chief of Staff for the next term.
- The 2023-2024 Senate Groupme will be sent out to the new Senate.



- There will be a SGA retreat in the fall. This will most likely be on a Sunday afternoon; more details will be sent out closer to time.

Announcements:

- Recognition of the seniors and those who will not be holding a position for the next term. Thank you all for your commitment and service to SGA!
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Presenters/Guests: none for this meeting.

Branch Reports

Lexi Stone (Chief Justice):

- Interviews are ongoing for associate justice vacancies.

Nicholas Novotka (Residential College President):

- FYLs (aka Great Beginnings Leaders) positions for the next year are open. There are 5 positions per residential college.
- Upcoming dates:
 - Franklin event: April 29th 4-7pm
 - Party Harty: April 29th 4-9pm
 - Camp Sharks: May 6th
 - Richmond/College Courts: April 25th
 - Hester Luau: April 26th 5-7pm
 - Elizabeth: April 29th 7-9pm

Officer Reports

Jacob Fritts (Vice President of Finance):

- Attended the budget advisory meeting on Tuesday.

Claudia Sweeney (Vice President of Administration):

- If you will be holding a position during the next term, scan and fill out the QR code. This just asks for basic information (email, major, position, etc.) so that we can have it on file for next year!

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

- Senior breakfast this morning was successful.
- Racer Fest is on May 5th in front of Pogue.
- Plate smash will be held during the week of finals (Tuesday, May 9th).
- Massage chairs will be on the Monday of finals (May 8th).

Ellie McGowan (President):



- Thank you to all who attended the ribbon cutting ceremony!

Director Reports

Amya Ferguson, Diversity and Inclusion: absent from meeting; no report.

Hanna Scott, Election Ways and Means: no report.

Emma Gage, Enrollment Management & Student Success:

- Thank you for a successful year. Five of this year's freshman senators are now elected into the SGA Senate for next year.

Government Relations, Luke Wyatt:

- Primary election will be on May 16th (from 6-6).

Shana Leuking, Public Relations: no report

University Affairs: no report.

Isaiah Pruitt, Chief of Staff: no report.

University Committee Reports

President's Office, Dr. Bob Jackson: absent from meeting; report given by Jordan Smith.

Government Relations, Jordan SMith:

- On behalf of President Jackson, thank you all for your service to SGA and congratulations to seniors!

Student Affairs Office, Dr. Don Robertson:

- Thank you to the current Senate and looking forward to working with the new senate!

MSU Police, Chief Ryan Orr: absent from meeting; no report.

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

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

- National Pretzel Day today: Winslow serving different pretzel variations.
- Bulk ordering starts on Monday. This year will be something new called bulk shopping. The most popular items will be available to shop for in the



Commonwealth Suite of Curris (3rd floor) Monday-Friday from 9am-4pm. Bulk shopping appointments are available—reach out to Megan or Sonja with dining services.

- Cinco De Mayo on May 5th: Tres will be serving churros and non-alcoholic margaritas.
- Various food options will be available at Racer Fest.
- Chick fil a catering will hopefully be available around summer time.

Auxiliary Services, Mr. David Looney:

- New dining concept will be introduced to the west side of campus— “We Proudly Brew” cafe kiosk located in the breezeway below the clock tower. You will be able to use flex at this location. A naming contest will be held/
- Another new “dining” concept introduced: “Pony 2.0”
 - Essentially a large golf cart-type vehicle with coffee and refrigerated foods/drinks that can travel around campus.
- Midnight breakfast is on May 7th—you don’t have to be on a meal plan to attend!

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

- For those graduating, no matter where life takes you, you are always a member of SGA. Make sure to come back for homecoming and get in the annual SGA picture.

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

- SGA cords are available in the office.
- New student org registration starts in August.
- Thank you for a great two years as the graduate assistant. Proud to announce that Jaylon Taggart will be filling this position.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Michael Arnal Brown and seconded by Cameron Woods. Motion Passed. Adjourn at 5:25pm.