

Murray State Student Government Association

MEETING MINUTES 08/31

Come to order: 4:31 pm

Attendance: Motion by Cole Wells; seconded by Grady Ward. Motion passed.

Old Business: No reports.

New Business:

- Motion to appoint Jaylon Taggart as College Courts Senator. Motion unanimously passed.

Dr. Bob Jackson (President): Absent from meeting. No report.

Dr. Don Robertson (Vice President of Student Affairs):

- Welcome back students. Here to assist, help, and answer questions anyone may have.
- When you see prospective students touring campus, make sure to talk to them and greet them kindly.
- This year, there is an increase in international students. Some of these students are studying English as a second language—they want to practice English conversations by talking to fellow students.
- Board of Regents meeting next week.

Mr. Jim Halcombe and Mr. David Blank (Dining Services):

- Labor Day Picnic from 2-8pm outside of Winslow
- Culinary Council every month for students to share feedback with dining staff. It takes place on the first Monday of every month at 3pm.
- Follow Racer Dining on Instagram.
- A short survey will be sent out mid-September, geared towards what foods would like to be seen on campus. A more in-depth survey will be sent out in October about food services and any other feedback. Prizes available for both surveys if you participate.

Mr. Looney (Auxiliary Services):

- Springer has been taken down and the parking lot is now open. However, the lightning has not been reconnected so a generator is being used for the time being.
- Artist renderings for new housing should hopefully be coming out in the next few weeks. It is slated for there to be two new residential halls and a new dining hall.

Mr. Jason Youngblood (Facilities Management Representative):

 Absent from meeting. Report given by the guest, Angela Lampe: Associate Director of Facilities, Design, and Construction.



- Curris renovations: starting with moving the SGA office to the old post office on the second floor of Curris. Old SGA office is being turned into e-sports room and some sodexo offices. The SGA office will temporarily be located in the Commonwealth Suite of Curris (3rd floor).
- The goal is to have minimal renovations occurring during school. The second floor renovations most likely will not begin until the summer.

Jeanie Morgan (Advisor to SGA and Student Organizations):

Absent from meeting. She will be back next Tuesday.

Kade Gambill (CSI Office Coordinator):

- The SGA office will temporarily be located in the Commonwealth Suite of Curris (third floor).
 Moving will begin next week.
- Student organizations must re-recognize themselves as an organization with SGA in order to nominate homecoming king and queen.
- Tents for game-days: there are 16 available tents for organizations to reserve, with no capacity on the amount of members in the tent. An email will be going out on Friday, September 2nd.

Executive Board Reports

Ellie McGowan (President):

- Met with Dr. Jackson, Chief Gentry, Mr. Brock Rydecki, and Kade Gambill this week about athletics. First home football game is next Saturday.
- Shuttle service: there is a desire for the shuttle service to be available for the football season.
- SGA Senate meeting seating: (as if you are looking towards the front of the room) far left seats are for senate chairs and chief justice; middle is senate members; right is for guests and administrators.
- Vacancies still available until (most likely) Monday, September 5th. Full appointments the week to follow.

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

- Be on the lookout for CAB events. If you know anyone interested in CAB, encourage them to apply—it's a great way to start in SGA.
- Homecoming king and queen nominations due September 13th.

Jacob Fritts (Vice President of Finance): No report.

Claudia Sweeney (Vice President of Administration:

 Remember to send meeting excuses 24 hours in advance. Also send an email if you have to leave the meeting early.



Branch Reports

Sydney Harper (Chief Justice):

 Contact if interested in J-Board (however, you can only serve in one branch of SGA). Must be at least a sophomore to be a part of J-Board; applications are online.

Nicholas Novotka (Residential College President):

- RCA academic team starting soon.
- Sodexo is giving \$5000 to RCC, as a whole, for catering events.
- Spirit day is September 14th from 10am-2pm, outside of Carr Health.

Senate Chair Reports

Chief of Staff- Isaiah Pruitt:

- Committees should be out next Wednesday. Also, join the GroupMe if you haven't yet (QR code attached in this email).

Publications and Public Relations- Shana Lueking: No report.

University Affairs- Beau Osborne:

- Thank you for participating in the blood drive. 149 units of blood were donated, which should help around 400 people.

Elections Ways and Means- Hanna Scott:

 Absent from meeting—report given by Ellie. There are two openings for Freshman senate—applications due on September 6th by noon. Applicants must be a freshman by academic standing. Elections will be held on September 26-27.

Diversity and Inclusion- Amya Ferguson: Absent from meeting; no report.

Enrollment Management and Success- Emma Gage:

- Freshman council applications can be found on the SGA website.

Government Relations- Conor Washburn:

Once committees are assigned, information will be given out about bills that are out.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Grady Ward and seconded by Allen Everett. Motion Passed. Adjourn at 5:15 pm.