

WLU Student Government Association

Regular Meeting

10/8/2024

Location: Student Leadership Center

I. Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call called to order at 9:00 PM

II. Approval of last week's minute's

Motion and a second:

- A. Senator Sydney Wedeven
- B. Senator Chloe Eltringham

IV. Officers' Report

President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Director of Programming

President:

- Shirts are ordered
- Nametags are in progress
- BOG Meeting next Wednesday, October 16th
- Advancement with drafting policy to the University
- Meeting with the President's Cabinet next Monday (October 14th) to pitch our data for tennis courts
- Inducting our two new Senators today!
 - Daisy Deaton & Mary Jane Hall

Vice President:

- Professionalism
 - Emailing vs. Texting
 - Attentiveness
- Focusing on Homecoming: Programming hours
- University Planning Updates:
 - Great Colleges to Work For 2024
 - Compared to benchmarks, WLU is average
 - Below average; needs some areas of improvement

Treasurer:

- Most Funding Packets are completed
 - Total estimated allotment to clubs: **\$2,800**
 - Currently approved allotment: **\$1,296.95**

- Number of Funding Packets over \$400 remaining: **2**
- Finance Committee, stay after for a minute please

Secretary:

- Reminder the retreat is this Friday, October 11th
 - At the St. Thomas Aquinas Center (across campus)
 - From 6-8pm
 - Retreat is mandatory
 - Please email me (asalzman@westliberty.edu) or the SGA email (sga@westliberty.edu) with any excuses

Director of Programming:

- Run over schedule again
 - **Sunday 10/13:** Banner predestination and food truck
 - **Monday 10/14:** Celebrity server (11:00 am- 2:00 pm) or (5:00 pm- 6:00 pm), serenades walkthrough (9:00 pm)
 - **Tuesday 10/15:** Serenades (8:00 pm)
 - **Wednesday 10/16:** Tent day and voting (10:00 am- 2:00 pm)
 - **Thursday 10/17:** Pep rally (7:00 pm)
 - **Friday 10/18:** blood drive/ canned food/ clothing drive (led by student life); campus clean up (2:00 pm)
 - **Saturday 10/19:** parade (10:00 am), tailgate (8:30 am- 1 hour after game ends), halftime (king and queen announced), After party at Dirty Dog (10:00pm- 12:00am), Glow bowling in the union (10:00 pm- 1:00 am)
- Make sure you are signing up to help during Homecoming week.
 - This is an easy way to get programming hours!

V. Committee Reports

- **Membership:**
 - Constituents please come up and sign in at the end
 - Make sure you are emailing me or the SGA email excuses

- Make sure you have a legitimate excuse for it to be counted as Excused
- **Finance:**
 - Pride Club Presentation
 - Finance Committee stay after for a minute please
- **Programming:**
 - Sign up for Hoco
 - Look at emails
- **Aladdin:**
 - Ishika is doing Marketing for Aladdin
 - Wednesday October 17th - Hoco bash in the cafe (4:30pm-7:30pm)
 - \$100 dining dollars for anyone interested in being Topper the Bear
 - Brag boards/screens for candidates to put things about themselves for Celebrity Server
- **Marketing:**
 - Add a few things to flyers
- **Student Outreach:**
 - Clay Club meeting with Jamie
 - Sent emails to 4 other clubs today
- **Policy and Government:**
 - Rewriting the Hunger Free Campus Act
 - Get a new name
 - Itemize what should be included in the food banks other than food (ie. toothpaste, hygiene products)
 - Established the Higher Education Commission would higher someone to run food benefits, ran studies with a committees, provided funding for food pantries which was a state-wide standardized meal swipe
 - Will now say we will have funds for the food pantry

VI. Old Business

Discussion stemming from last week's meeting:

Senator Ishika Agarwal

- Working with marketing committee to get tags out
 - Eco friendly boxes
 - A lot of students who haven't picked theirs up
 - Tabling isn't working
 - Advertise its the only option for carry out

VII. New Business

Motions/Votes stemming from last week's meeting:

Nothing

VIII. First Open Discussion

Only SGA members may speak

Senator Abby Calvert

- When will SGA get back about emails
 - Within 3 business days

Senator Carter Brown

- Is there a dress code for the retreat?
 - No sweatpants or pj pants
 - Jeans/leggings
 - T-shirt
 - Dress presentable
 - Meet the parents type fit

Senator Chloe Eltringham

- What we will be doing for the retreat
 - SGA 101
 - Meal from Olive Garden
 - Resources and information in a Google Drive
 - Responsibilities, events to look forward to, what events we plan, Robert's Rule of Order, Teambuilding

IX. First Constituent Time

Any non-SGA members may speak

- **Pride Club Presentation:**
 - Pride club is asking for funding for Drag Bingo Event
 - Tentatively November 6th
 - Drag Bingo where Drag Queens host the event
 - Usually over 200 guests
 - Want funding for prizes
 - Pride basket (pride themed items & 2 tickets to Second Chance Prom)
 - Snack box
 - Comfy Basket (blanket, mug, teas, hot cocoa)
 - Gender Neutral Spa Basket (soap, lotion, spa items)
 - 16" Squishmallow
 - Pride stickers and Pride flags when people walk in

■ Grand Prize: iPad

- Grand total amount asking for: \$1,429.95

Senator Chloe Eltringham:

- How do they plan on making sure people will not video the event
 - Ask hosts to make an announcement to not video
- Is there possibly a cheaper Drag Queen we can get to host
- Backlash on Second Chance Prom and Drag Bingo
 - How do we establish security and safety
 - Police officers to be there and keep watch
 - Have more seating?

Senator Gia Campbell:

- See if they can change it from being held in the Union to being in College Hall (capacity 450)

Treasurer Joe Ferch:

- In the past was able to provide 3 Drag Queens
- Coordination with other University to split cost for Drag Queens
- \$900 for just the host Dixie
- Advisor has connections to Dixie
- Dixie would possibly split costs between the Drag Queens
- Cost could go lower actually

President of Pride Club:

- Students from other colleges can come and watch but they would have to pay to get in
- Any WLU students get in for free
- Check Student ID's at the door possibly
- Opening Second Chance Prom to other colleges also
 - Won't necessarily advertise it but if people invite others that would be fine
 - Would have to pay

President Jenna Maguire:

- How would you prioritize the prizes?
 - Could get cheaper prizes and baskets
 - Ask for donations from other clubs
 - Social work reached out about donating
- Top 4 prioritized items for funding:
 - Drag queen
 - iPad
 - Snack box
 - Pride Basket

Senator Tiffany Sites:

- Talk to Kate Billings about possibly donating a basket
 - They might be able to donate the items they want to give away at the door

X. Second Open Discussion

Only SGA members may speak

Senator Carter Brown:

- What was the backlash on Second Chance Prom?

President of the Pride Club:

- The President at the time email got out
 - Backlash from the community (Wheeling)
 - Got on the news
 - Was blown out of proportion

XI. Second Constituent Time

Any non-SGA members may speak

Nothing

XII. Executive Session (If needed)

Motion and a second. Only SGA members may stay.

- Motion to approved to go into Executive Session
 - A. Motion from Senator Sydeny Wedeven

B. Second from Senator Ishika Agarwal

XIII. Adjournment

Motion and a second:

- A. Senator Luke Sweat
- B. Senator Chloe Eltringham