

Wittenberg University Student Senate Minutes

Outline Below:

On Tuesday, January 16th at 7:00p.m., in the Offices of Student Senate, the Student Senate Executive Board held a Meeting with the following persons present:

I. Call to Order/Roll Call:

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- i. Quorum is not met.
- ii. Student Senate will go through reports and discussions, but will table any topic that requires voting until the next meeting.

Minutes approved by:

II. Officer Reports/Goals: (10 minutes)

a. Gardner, President

- i. Waiting on a response from Witt PD concerning "Smash-a-Car" event.
- The following Student Senate positions are currently vacant. If you know of anyone interested in filling these positions, email <u>gardnerk24@wittenberg.edu</u> with a 200–250-word statement of candidacy:
 - 1. Faculty-Student Coordinator
 - 2. Secretary
 - 3. Interfaith Senator
 - 4. AAPIIC Senator
- iii. Palestine/Israel Conflict Panel
 - 1. As of this point, only Dr. Taylor has confirmed to be on the panel. Is this something that Student Senate wants to continue to try and have? Should we postpone the event as we try to find more speakers? Discussion:
 - a. Professors asked who were asked to sit on the panel:
 - i. Dr. Taylor (History)

- ii. Dr. Proctor (Religion)
- iii. Dr. Wright (Political Science)
- iv. Dr. Allan (Political Science)
- v. Dr. Soque (Political Science)
- vi. Dr. Sloss (Sociology)
- b. This event is important to host for the student body as it's a topic that has been ongoing for decades, and will likely continue to develop. In light of this, offering something for the students to learn more about the conflict is important to cultivate an atmosphere on campus where all backgrounds are acknowledged and accepted, and learning about world news is encouraged. (Lightner)
 - i. If professors are unable to attend this panel, can we invite members of the greater Springfield community to present at this panel? (Lightner)
 - Let's reach out to community members to see if they would be interested in participating in this event, and come back to the next meeting with whether this is feasible. (Gardner)
 - 2. Push back this paneling event until at minimum after FIRE Week and Spring break in order to ensure that there is enough time to plan the event and get more than just Dr. Taylor on the panel. (Gardner)
 - Because we will be pushing this panel back, let's try to have some other form of tabling take place during this time instead. Maybe have a table set up outside of CDR during the dinner rush. (Gardener)
 - 3. Reach out to previously listed professors about resources they may have to assist in planning this, or if they have contacts with community members who would be willing to talk at the event.
 - a. Dr. Proctor specifically said that he has resources for Senate to utilize.
- iv. Attached are the committee structures for Spring 2024.

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- a. These changes are being made to reduce the number of outside of class assignments from 700 minutes per semester to 250 minutes per semester.
- 3. FEB attachment 1
- ii. Faculty voted to approve the following classes
 - 1. PUBH 102: Introduction to Public Health (4 credits)
 - a. EPC attachment 1
 - 2. PUBH 302: Health Services (4 credits)
 - a. EPC attachment 2
- iii. Attendance at Faculty Meetings:
 - 1. All Senators who have voice and vote at faculty meetings need to make sure they are attending.
 - a. SAAC Senator
 - b. Junior Class President
 - c. Sophomore Class President

f. Stern, 2024

- i. Senior class executive board has been figured out:
 - 1. Vice-President Morgan Pagel
 - 2. Treasurer Lexi Carrol
 - 3. Secretary Gabby Baker
- ii. Bi-weekly meetings with Tammy to plan senior fundraising events and senior gift.
- iii. Make sure you are spreading information to seniors to watch their emails and the Student Senate Instagram page for updates regarding the senior class.

g. Pena, Public Relations

i. No report.

h. Lightner, Diversity

- i. MLK Convocation was overall a success in the sense that a lot of students and community members attended the event, however there have been some concerns that have been brought up since:
 - 1. Problems with the way President Frandsen carried himself during the event, specifically on stage. He looked uninterested in what the speakers had to say.
 - a. According to Gill, it was extremely hard for the individuals

podium back so that they can been seen more easily by those in attendance.

iii. The 10-year contract with the current laundry company has expired and so changes in the machines may occur over the summer. More info to come on this.

k. Hunt, Greek

- i. The January Presidents Roundtable will be postponed until after Spring recruitment.
- I. Weis, Green

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r. Specht, GSDA

- i. GSDA exec met with our advisor to get the ball rolling on events for this upcoming semester:
 - 1. January 29th, at 6 p.m.: Swag & Social/Meet the Exec Social
 - 2. February 12th, at 6 p.m.: "Love Simon" movie screening and discussion
 - 3. March 11-15th: Safe Sex Week
 - a. "Sex Toy Bingo" has been rebranded to "Get Lucky Bingo" in anticipation of St. Patrick's Day and will take place during this week.
 - 4. March 25th, at 6 p.m.: "Red, White, and Royal Blue" movie screening and discussion.
 - 5. April 1-5th: Consent Week
 - a. Thinking about putting together a Drag Brunch during this week.
 - i. Having the brunch take place while also having a theater component take place?
 - ii. People interested in joining an ad hoc committee

u. Lowry, 2027

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c. Gardner, Student Life

- a. No report.
- IV. Open Forum:

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- V. Old Business:
 - a. Funding Philosophy amendments
 - i. Article 3 proposal
 - 1. Changes to the percentage allocations.
 - ii. Article 4, Section 4:i proposal

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