

Washburn University Student Government Association
Coulter/Durst Administration, September 10th, 2025

- I. Call to Order – Vice President Ryan Durst
- II. Roll Call – Chief of Staff Kira Roth
- III. Review of Proceeding Meeting Minutes
- IV. Cabinet Reports
 - a. Taylor Redington, Campus & Community Affairs Director
 - i. CAN EMPORIA!!!
 - 1. There are lots of things happening, which means there are lots of senator tasks to do, so please help!
 - 2. Tabling opportunities are coming
 - 3. Director of 501 School District (Fred) will be here next week
 - ii. Suicide Prevention Month
 - iii. Perfect Party
 - b. Belle Hammes, Communications & Marketing Director
 - i. Lots of content is coming up!
 - 1. More information will be available at retreat
 - ii. Headshots will be happening next week (Sep 17th)
 - iii. Apparel form and intake form will be sent out at Retreat as well
 - iv. New social media request form will be available starting after retreat
 - c. Chavanna Kerney, Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Director
 - i. International Food Showcase – Lincoln Dining
 - ii. Multicultural Fraternities and Sororities?
 - iii. DEI Tabling for Suicide Prevention Month
 - 1. Please help!
 - d. Lillian Clark, Special Events Director
 - i. Lots of events are happening!
 - ii. Homecoming is in roughly 6 weeks, so there has been a lot of work to get those events established
 - e. Caleb Newfer, Legislative Research Director
 - i. Legislative form needed some improvements, so now we are hoping to have the form up and running in a couple of weeks

- ii. First Year elections have concluded, folks will be sworn in this evening
- f. Meredith Ginn, Budget Director
 - i. Has been sick, working on playing catchup
 - ii. We will be meeting this week to see if we can re-establish direct funding
- g. Kira Roth, Chief of Staff
 - i. Working on Senate Retreat
 - ii. Help Belle with the Cabinet Member and Senator of the Month!!
- h. Ryan Durst, Vice President
 - i. Working on finding areas to extend study spaces into later hours
 - 1. There have been lots of meetings surrounding this
 - ii. The form that WSGA has been sending around has about 90 responses now
 - 1. Please continue to push that information out!
- i. Kate Coulter, President
 - i. Today has been really weird, so we are happy that you are able to be here today!
 - ii. Bods Banquet is now in the works!
 - 1. This will be for student organizations and their leaders, WSGA wants to start to facilitate more conversations, so if you are interested, let Kate know!
 - iii. Dr. Grospitch
 - 1. Please be respectful of the situation and the family. Be kind. Don't answer anything that you don't actually have the answers to.
- j. Dr. TLC and Dr. Grospitch, Advisors
 - i. Dr. TLC will be the acting VP for Student Life. This means that she will carry the full brunt of that responsibility. There will likely be lot of questions over the next weeks, but for now, we do not have answers. Please be respectful of the situation and

the family and everything that is happening. Make sure to support one another.

- ii. Rest, Hydrate, Repeat.
- iii. WIN CAN EMPORIA!!!
- iv. We are all busy, so make sure to stop and take time to take care of yourself so that we may move forward together.

V. Committee Reports:

a. Chairperson McCreath, Allocations Committee

- i. There are 7 funding requests, 2 were tabled, 5 given favorable status
- ii. Findings of the Allocations Committee are accepted

b. Chairperson Smith, Campus & Community Affairs Committee

- i. What types of organizations CCA would like to partner with for events and what kinds of events CCA would like to host
- ii. Piano smash event???
- 1. To help support CCA and Can Emporia
- iii. How to get people excited about Can Emporia

c. Chairperson Whaley, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee

- i. Partnering with organizations for events and things!
- ii. Poetry Slam w/ BSU
- iii. October has many awareness months attached to it, so we want to make sure that we take the time to recognize everything
- iv. Not all disabilities are visible!
- 1. Make sure that we are giving everyone enough time to process things that are happening in Senate. It is NOT a race to stick your hand out, so make sure to give folks ample time.

d. Chairperson Ross, Special Events Committee

- i. Helping with Homecoming!
- ii. How do we want senate to be involved with Homecoming?
- What should Hoco promotion look like?

VI. Public Forum I:

a. Swearing in of First-Year Senators

- i. 1st Year Senators are officially sworn in!!

VII. New Business I:

- a. SB #039: ByteBods*
 - i. Requesting funding to present a paper at a conference in Florida, October 1st-4th through an internationally recognized organization where they will have their paper published through.
 - ii. 3 papers will be presented by 7 students.
 - iii. Chairperson Ross motions to vote
 - iv. Bill is passed
- b. SB #040: WU Trumpet Association*
 - i. Tabled
- c. SB #044: Piano and Organ Society I*
 - i. Masterclass for the Piano & Organ Society! This is a good opportunity to get an outside perspective and learn from new people!
 - ii. Motion to combine bills 44 + 45 – passes SB #49
 - iii. White Concert Hall
- d. SB #045: Piano and Organ Society II*
 - i. PianoFest is an all day event for kiddos! This will happen in White Concert hall as well as Herd Hall!
- e. SB #046: Alpha Delta*
 - i. \$1,500 for apparel is being requested for apparel for their new and recurring members
 - ii. Bill is passed
- f. SB #047: EcoBods*
 - i. Tabled
- g. SB #048: Chemistry Club*
 - i. Snacks and supplies for a trivia night for their first meeting
 - ii. Bill is passed

VIII. Public Forum II:

- a. Establishment of the Voter Registration Ad Hoc Committee
 - i. Speaker Timm would like to establish this committee to support a voter registration drive to support the local elections that are happening within the next couple of months.

- ii. He would like to be a member of the committee and would like to have 5 people aside from himself in the committee
- iii. Interested Parties
 - 1. *Alex Timm
 - 2. Tiana Smith
 - 3. Demarques Hinds
 - 4. Nick Lloyd
 - 5. Kendall Brungardt
 - 6. Shaylee Giles
 - 7. Yaressi Cervantes-Rodriguez
 - 8. Haley McGill
 - 9. Danny Bottom
- iv. Senator McGill: what type of commitment would this look like?
 - 1. There would be a couple of moving parts, there are a couple of events that he would like to host, and there are a couple of parties that he would like to reach out to.
- v. Senator Brungardt: Are we gauging interest or establishing the committee?
- vi. Chairperson McCreath: no more than 4 hours per week will be required of those in the committee
- vii. Senator Cervantes-Rodriguez: Alex Timm would be okay with the number of folks that are in the committee as of now
- viii. Chairperson will be established within the Committee, so we will not establish that tonight.
- ix. This committee has officially been established.
- b. Establishment of the Election Policy Revision Ad Hoc Committee
 - i. There were a lot of things in the elections policy and process that was a little confusing, so there would be benefit in looking at these documents so that we can make appropriate changes before we come anywhere close to elections.
 - ii. President Coulter: If you were around for elections, you know it was a little weird. Senator Lloyd also experienced this and brought this to the attention of the administration. We would like to get this started ASAP so we don't get close to elections.

iii. Interested Parties

1. Jullian Hastings
2. Maggie Bourell
3. Autumn Stevens
4. Brennen Ross
5. Nick Lloyd
6. Demarques Hinds
7. Garrett McCreath

iv. The committee is officially established. A Teams channel and Chairperson are to be determined at a later date

IX. Announcements

X. Roll Call – Chief of Staff Kira Roth

XI. Adjournment

Position	Last Name	Present (Beginning)	Present (Final)
Senator	Adhikari	P	A
Senator	Barbery	P	P
Senator	Bottom	P	P
Senator	Bourell	P	P
Senator	Brown	A	A
Senator	Brungardt	P	P
Senator	Carter	P	P
Senator	Cattoor	A	A
Senator	Cervantes-Rorríguez	P	P
Senator	Crim	P	P
Senator	Giles	P	P
Senator	Hastings	P	P
Senator	Hinds	P	P
Senator	King	P	P
Senator	Lloyd	P	P
Chairperson	McCreath	P	P
Senator	McFan	P	P
Senator	McGill	P	P
Senator	Meier	P	P
Senator	Motes	P	P
Senator	O’Leary-Worsley	P	P
Chairperson	Ross	P	P
Parliamentarian	Sharp	P	P
Senator	Smith	P	P

*Approved by Speaker Timm as late additions. *Alex Timm*

Chairperson	Smith	P	P
Senator	Stevens	P	P
Speaker	Timm	P	A
Senator	Yucesan	A	A
Chairperson	Whaley	P	P

Position	Last Name	Present (Beginning)	Present (Final)
Special Events Director	Clark	P	P
Marketing Director	Hammes	P	P
Campus and Community Affairs Director	Redington	P	P
Diversity Equity and Inclusion Director	Kerney	P	P
Legislative Research Director	Newfer	P	P
Budget Director	Ginn	P	P
Chief of Staff	Roth	P	P
Vice President	Durst	P	P
President	Coulter	P	P
Advisor ²	Dr. TLC	P	P
Advisor ²	Dr. G	X	X

Roll Call Question: What was your favorite kids book?

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SENATE BILL 2025-26 #039

TITLE: ByteBods

ORIGINATOR: Chairperson McCreath

SPONSOR: Chairperson McCreath

STATUS: Allocations Committee – Passed

WHEREAS: ByteBods is requesting funding for their trip to a Research Conference, and

WHEREAS: ByteBods has fully complied with all applicable funding policies to this point in the allocation process, and

WHEREAS: ByteBods is recognized by the Office of Student Involvement and Development as a registered student group of Washburn University.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE WSGA SENATE:

SECTION ONE: The Washburn Student Government Association shall allocate an amount not to exceed \$1500.00 from the Student Organizations account to ByteBods for their trip to a Research Conference.

SECTION TWO: This legislation shall become effective upon passage by the WSGA Senate, subject to the veto power of the WSGA President as outlined in the Constitution.

*Approved by Speaker Timm as late additions. *Alex Timm*



SENATE BILL 2025-26 #040
TITLE: WU Trumpet Association
ORIGINATOR: Chairperson McCreath
SPONSOR: Chairperson McCreath
STATUS: Allocations Committee – Tabled

WHEREAS: WU Trumpet Association is requesting funding for their Masterclass, and

WHEREAS: WU Trumpet Association has fully complied with all applicable funding policies to this point in the allocation process, and

WHEREAS: WU Trumpet Association is recognized by the Office of Student Involvement and Development as a registered student group of Washburn University.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE WSGA SENATE:

SECTION ONE: The Washburn Student Government Association shall allocate an amount not to exceed \$200.00 from the Student Organizations account to WU Trumpet Association for their Masterclass.

SECTION TWO: This legislation shall become effective upon passage by the WSGA Senate, subject to the veto power of the WSGA President as outlined in the Constitution.



SENATE BILL 2025-26 #044
TITLE: Piano and Organ Society I
ORIGINATOR: Chairperson McCreath
SPONSOR: Chairperson McCreath
STATUS: Allocations Committee – Passed

WHEREAS: Piano and Organ Society is requesting funding for their Masterclass with Dr. Mia Kim, and

WHEREAS: Piano and Organ Society has fully complied with all applicable funding policies to this point in the allocation process, and

WHEREAS: Piano and Organ Society is recognized by the Office of Student Involvement and Development as a registered student group of Washburn University.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE WSGA SENATE:

SECTION ONE: The Washburn Student Government Association shall allocate an amount not to exceed \$250.00 from the Student Organizations account to Piano and Organ Society for their Masterclass with Dr. Mia Kim.

SECTION TWO: This legislation shall become effective upon passage by the WSGA Senate, subject to the veto power of the WSGA President as outlined in the Constitution.

*Approved by Speaker Timm as late additions. *Alex Timm*



SENATE BILL 2025-26 #045

TITLE: Piano and Organ Society II

ORIGINATOR: Chairperson McCreath

SPONSOR: Chairperson McCreath

STATUS: Allocations Committee – Passed

WHEREAS: Piano and Organ Society is requesting funding for their Washburn Piano Day event, and

WHEREAS: Piano and Organ Society has fully complied with all applicable funding policies to this point in the allocation process, and

WHEREAS: Piano and Organ Society is recognized by the Office of Student Involvement and Development as a registered student group of Washburn University.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE WSGA SENATE:

SECTION ONE: The Washburn Student Government Association shall allocate an amount not to exceed \$1075.00 from the Student Organizations account to Piano and Organ Society for their Washburn Piano Day.

SECTION TWO: This legislation shall become effective upon passage by the WSGA Senate, subject to the veto power of the WSGA President as outlined in the Constitution.

*Approved by Speaker Timm as late additions. *Alex Timm*



SENATE BILL 2025-26 #046

TITLE: Alpha Delta

ORIGINATOR: Chairperson McCreath

SPONSOR: Chairperson McCreath

STATUS: Allocations Committee – Passed

WHEREAS: Alpha Delta is requesting funding for their Fall 2025 Apparel, and

WHEREAS: Alpha Delta has fully complied with all applicable funding policies to this point in the allocation process, and

WHEREAS: Alpha Delta is recognized by the Office of Student Involvement and Development as a registered student group of Washburn University.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE WSGA SENATE:

SECTION ONE: The Washburn Student Government Association shall allocate an amount not to exceed \$1500.00 from the Student Organizations account to Alpha Delta for their Fall 2025 Apparel.

SECTION TWO: This legislation shall become effective upon passage by the WSGA Senate, subject to the veto power of the WSGA President as outlined in the Constitution.

*Approved by Speaker Timm as late additions. *Alex Timm*



SENATE BILL 2025-26 #047

TITLE: EcoBods

ORIGINATOR: Chairperson McCreath

SPONSOR: Chairperson McCreath

STATUS: Allocations Committee – Tabled

WHEREAS: EcoBods is requesting funding for Recycling Stickers, and

WHEREAS: EcoBods has fully complied with all applicable funding policies to this point in the allocation process, and

WHEREAS: EcoBods is recognized by the Office of Student Involvement and Development as a registered student group of Washburn University.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE WSGA SENATE:

SECTION ONE: The Washburn Student Government Association shall allocate an amount not to exceed \$750.00 from the Student Organizations account to EcoBods for Recycling Stickers.

SECTION TWO: This legislation shall become effective upon passage by the WSGA Senate, subject to the veto power of the WSGA President as outlined in the Constitution.

*Approved by Speaker Timm as late additions. *Alex Timm*



SENATE BILL 2025-26 #048

TITLE: Chemistry Club

ORIGINATOR: Chairperson McCreath

SPONSOR: Chairperson McCreath

STATUS: Allocations Committee – Passed

WHEREAS: Chemistry Club is requesting funding for their First Meeting, and

WHEREAS: Chemistry Club has fully complied with all applicable funding policies to this point in the allocation process, and

WHEREAS: Chemistry Club is recognized by the Office of Student Involvement and Development as a registered student group of Washburn University.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE WSGA SENATE:

SECTION ONE: The Washburn Student Government Association shall allocate an amount not to exceed \$120.00 from the Student Organizations account to Chemistry Club for their First Meeting.

SECTION TWO: This legislation shall become effective upon passage by the WSGA Senate, subject to the veto power of the WSGA President as outlined in the Constitution.

*Approved by Speaker Timm as late additions. *Alex Timm*