

# **Washburn University Student Government Association**

## **Coulter/Clark Administration, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

- I. Call to Order – Vice President Lillian Clark
- 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. Happy to be back! CCA is working on lots right now. Kansas Day is tomorrow and we will host an event from 6-8pm in the Union Underground. VP Clark and Director Redington will be working on safety walk in the coming weeks.
  - b. Belle Hammes, Communications & Marketing Director
    - i. Welcome back! I have been working on the blinky board and working on promotion of internal events. Tonight I will finish the office hours tables and those will be sent out this evening. Please do the cabinet member and senator of the month forms when they come out tomorrow!
  - c. Chavanna Kerney, Student Accessibility & Belonging Director
    - i. I have been working on the drag show. SAB committee worked on team bonding. SAB is hosting a movie night and the committee worked today to write some guiding questions for that event.
  - d. Caleb Newfer, Legislative Research Director
    - i. Higher Ed Day is fast approaching! Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> at the Capitol 😊 Lillian and Caleb will share more information in a public forum and they will pass out sign-ups at that time as well. Caleb has also been working through the governing documents and hopes to bring changes some time in the coming weeks.
  - e. Meredith Ginn, Budget Director
    - i. Meredith is working on the usual. There is a bit of catching up to be done, but work is being completed!
  - f. Kira Roth, Chief of Staff
    - i. Working on transition. Caitlyn is going to do great!
  - g. Lillian Clark, Vice President

- i. It is great to be back and we are excited to get the ball rolling through the semester and accomplish lots of projects! Over break, we worked on transitioning the new Special Events Director. Thank you to Chairperson Brungardt for organizing the Internal Finance committee through the break! There are lots of meetings happening with Lillian and Kate. Senate retreat will be on the 7<sup>th</sup> and attendance is required. There is an RSVP in your email for the Ross House Breakfast. Please do respond!
- h. Kate Coulter, President
  - i. Kate gave testimony before the Capitol today about financial aid. General Elections are coming up soon; its good practice to let the President know that you plan to run. The committee change request form is still active and will be until this Friday. There are two important date calendars that will be going around, so please make note of those.
- i. Dr. TLC, Advisor
  - i. Welcome back! Much of the staff has already been back they are excited that we are here. When receiving the Ross house invitation make sure to RSVP through the email. They will have nametags for people. The day before is the spring career fair in Lee Arena on February 18<sup>th</sup>. Over 100 people will be there to talk with students. Since we are in winter make sure to Rest, Hydrate, and repeat.

V. Committee Reports:

- a. Speaker Giles, Internal Affairs Committee
  - i. IA met and gave favorable status to the two open senate seat applications that we see on the agenda.
  - ii. Findings of the committee are accepted.
- b. Chairperson Brungardt, Allocations Committee
  - i. I would like to echo VP Clark and give a thank you to the Internal Finance committee! Allocations saw 8 bills and gave most favorable status. One is given neutral status. Two were tabled indefinitely. One is tabled for a week.
  - ii. Findings of the committee are accepted.

- c. Chairperson Smith, Campus & Community Affairs Committee
  - i. CCA did not meet today due to a lack of quorum. There is an event tomorrow from 6-8 in the Union Underground to celebrate Kansas Day! There will be crab Rangoon!!! 😊 There is a new microwave in the Union!!!
- d. Chairperson Whaley, Student Accessibility & Belonging Committee
  - i. Today SAB talked about their event on February 15<sup>th</sup> in the Kansas Room. They will be watching and discussing moonlight. They are discussing other events and are planning team bonding.
- e. Chairperson Ross, Special Events Committee
  - i. SEC is pushing back days for Montage Mayhem due to lack of members. The event will be on March 26<sup>th</sup> roughly. Sign up will be on February 16<sup>th</sup>. Today they discussed treats and food they will have at the event.

## VI. New Business I:

- a. Carpenter Special Events Director Confirmation Vote
  - i. Amya Carpenter is confirmed as the new Special Events Director and sworn in.
- b. Artzer Senator Appointment Vote
  - i. Beau Artzer's Open Senate Seat Application is approved and he is sworn in.
- c. Neufeld Senator Appointment Vote
  - i. Karly Neufeld's Open Senate Seat Application is approved and she is sworn in.

## VII. Public Forum I:

- a. Swearing in of Special Events Director Carpenter
- b. Swearing in of New Senators

## VIII. New Business II:

- a. SB #132: Chemistry Club – February Meeting
  - i. Chemistry Club is requesting funding for their upcoming meeting. They will follow a Valentine's Day theme and the money will be used to purchase supplies.
  - ii. The bill is passed.

- b. SB #133: Piano and Organ Society – Piano Day
  - i. The Piano and Organ Society is requesting funding for Piano Day in February. They will have K-12 students perform in front of music majors that will then judge their performances and they will return for another event later.
  - ii. President Coulter: How many kindergarteners will attend?
    - 1. It just depends
  - iii. The bill is passed.
- c. SB #134: Piano and Organ Society – Field Trip
  - i. The Piano and Organ Society is requesting funding for their field trip to the Kaufman Center to watch Beethoven. This is what the students of the organization voted for. They do fall under the policy because they submitted the application on time
  - ii. McFan: How many people are attending?
    - 1. 10 students.
  - iii. The bill is passed.
- d. SB #135: Veteran's Club – Apparel
  - i. The Veteran's Club are trying to make t-shirts for Veterans and Military personnel.
  - ii. The bill is passed.
- e. SB #136: Sigma Lambda Gamma (SLG) Sorority Inc. – Photoshoot
  - i. Tabled indefinitely.
- f. SB #137: United Methodist Campus (UMC) Ministry – Mental Health Event
  - i. Tabled for a week.

## IX. Public Forum II:

- a. Interacting with State Legislators, Rep. Simmons
  - i. This is so cool! I don't know what you guys know. Rep. Simmons is here because she is a state representative and used to be president for her student government. She is very glad we are in student government as it is relevant to the world. She graduated in 2018 with a degree in Political Science and then she moved to Washington to get her Masters. She learned about it from the Womens study program. She loved Washburn

and once she got to D.C she felt very prepared. When she left meetings in the beginning she felt like it shouldn't feel like that. If you want to be in government you need to have a thick skull. For fun she used to get half priced burgers at a stand and if she was over 21 she would get craft beer. If anyone goes into her office to tell their opinion what should the first step be?

1. Chairperson Ross: Shake their hand
2. That is actually wrong. You want to be friendly with the front desk people. Her assistant Chris is an amazing person. If you make a good first impression the Legislator will hear about it. You then charm the pants off the Legislator. You need to be friendly. Some think you need to be abrasive in politics but you need to be passionate about what you are talking about so they do not become defensive.
- ii. You want to go talk about why Washburn needs an investment for the library and there are things the state can pay for. The state then tells you no. How do you feel?
  1. Director Redington: Bad.
- iii. You have to stay composed and ask about why they are against it. They say they don't have the money. Ask when they might have it. They might see you later and remember the request. This starts the conversation for the next time you meet. This creates authenticity.
- iv. You need to be professional. She had a TikTok account and she saw videos about professional outfits to wear to an interview. The way you present yourself is important. In the real world it's important if you present yourself sharp and professional. There is no expectation to go out and buy a new suit. You can even go to thrift stores.
  1. Director Newfer: Talk about how WSGA has helped people.
- v. She doesn't have the numbers but she believes a significant number used to be in student government. They talk a lot about

young people civic engagement. No matter where you end up if you can work with people you disagree with you will be a great addition. They will be nice to you. What you do after you leave the capital make sure to leave an email in order to network.

Legislator's eat up that fact that the younger generation cares. It doesn't matter what your major is it is more important to get in contact.

- vi. Chairperson Ross: For a professors opinion if a student was missing for Higded Ed day how would you feel?
  1. If they wrote about it I would give them extra credit.
- vii. Director Redington: What would be your thought on the best way to approach them in the elevator.
  1. Just smile. They love it when people in the elevator join in on jokes. She met someone in the elevator and it sparked a conversation. People remember the small conversation. Just be friendly the world is a weird place.
- viii. Senator McGill: What is the typical rejection on Higher Ed?
  1. Simmons had a 6 hour debate while at work today. Had 20 amendments as well so she explains that she is not at 100 percent today. Can you ask the question again? The answer is money. People need more money than you can give them. Higher education is not very important to people compared to other things. There are a lot of people running currently and a lot of them hold power in the state legislature. If it's a campaign year, you want to think about whos support you need. Higher Education is not at the top of the list of things they allocate money towards. The economy is down and therefore they need to cut a lot. Not everyone will be that honest with you. Follow along with things impacting Higher Education. The Tenure Bill is controversial as it retains professors that need to be let go. You will need to be asked about that. Quality of professors will be diminished. What can you do? Submit testimonies because your voice matter.

- ix. Brugardt: Asking about legislators campaigning and wanting opinions. How would she recommend staying on track since there isn't anything specific they are asking for.
  - 1. If you are asked a question about something you don't know just say you don't know. If someone asks you about tenure and you do not care as you are there for something else redirect the conversation to the things that are important to you.
- x. Director Hammes: Are they more excited to see people from their own districts. Do you have any students that you wish you could have coached before they talked to legislators?
  - 1. She finds it quite endearing. There was a late legislator once and he spent the entire meeting talking about himself. She didn't know how to help or react. Everyone looked around and one student redirected to get back on track. The legislator then left. Don't worry too much about that they know why you are there. So be excited about why you are there.
- xi. Key Takeaway: Be confident. You are visiting your legislator. If you feel scared know you have every right to be there!

## X. Public Forum III:

- a. Higher Education Day, VP Clark and Director Newfer
  - i. VP Clark and Director Newfer talk about Higher Education Day!
  - ii. Higher Education Day is happening next week. If you would like to volunteer, you will be asked to talk with legislators and talk about your experiences in higher education.
  - iii. The Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR) oversees higher education in Kansas. The Student Advisory Committee (SAC) is the President and VP of the 6 state schools in Kansas. This committee works on coordinating Higher Ed Day!

- iv. What are we doing? We are going to the Capitol to talk to legislators. These folks provide millions of dollars of funding to all of the schools in Kansas. If people do not talk about the importance of this funding, then we risk the funding being taken away. (THIS IS BAD!) If we go and talk to legislators and tell them our stories and advocate, then we help to solidify the place of that funding.
- v. General Guidance: They want to hear about **YOU!** Talk to them about how important it is that they continue this funding. Be respectful. Present yourself and your story in a positive light. Make them want to give you money!
- vi. The QR code that is moving throughout the room is how you sign up to attend. If you stay for more than 3 hours, we will provide you lunch. There are 1 hour time slots, but the meetings you are attending should only last 15-20 minutes. There are about 12 legislators confirmed to meet with! Be there! This does count as an office hour 😊
- vii. Brungardt: Any advocacy at the Capitol is awesome! Advocate for the things that you believe in! You can always write a letter and represent yourself!
- viii. Ross: Can we play the background music?
- ix. Senator Smith: How do you expect us to convince legislators that already agree with our cause?
  1. KBOR has recommended the budget that is lower than last year. There is some political pressure there. There is not really a threat of them cutting all funding entirely. Being there is still important!!!
  2. Director Ginn: We are also there for them to see us. No, if they are already supportive, we won't do a whole lot. But this shows that we are present, engaged, and want to stand up for something. Regardless, we are impacted. Things happen in Capitols when people are seen and heard.

- x. Senator Smith: Which legislators are the most important for us to talk to and how?
  - 1. VP Clark: We can't really do that. Kate, Taylor and Lillian attended a training about how best to approach this. We are not there to convince anyone. This logic is faulty. Don't use the one pager. We aren't there to change people's minds—we are there to share our stories. Don't try to frame it in another way. Just share your story.
  - 2. President Coulter: We know who we are meeting with. We are actually meeting people. We can have a more directed conversation about how this will operate based on who signs up and where they fit and fill in gaps best. We will feel it out! This is a great advocacy opportunity. You can connect with lots of folks.
- xi. Director Ginn: This is a great advocacy opportunity! 😊 There are a good number of people that will be going. Can we establish carpooling? Don't let not having a ride be a barrier to your attendance
- xii. Director Redington: Lillian and Taylor will be at a table and they will be sharing information. People will be there and there will be meeting points. You are not going in blind!

## XI. New Business III:

- a. SB #138: Funding Process Reform Act
  - i. Neutral status from Allocations Committee
  - ii. Senator Lloyd: This would allow the Allocations Committee to be the ones determining the result of a funding request. I am proposing this because we have students present twice in one night; sharing the same information. Frankly, this is a waste of their time and sometimes ours. To those in the gallery that want to serve other students, just like us, they have better things to be doing with their time. Forcing students to attend senate and committee when they are trying to achieve the same goals as us doesn't make sense.

- iii. Chairperson Brungardt: Thank you for writing this piece of legislation. I echo the sentiment about wanting to use student time most effectively. I would like to share some of my own findings, however. The highlighted area and strikethroughs, you will notice, are not the only changes that are being proposed here. This removes the burden of funding requests to be bills. They would no longer be pieces of legislation.
  - 1. Lloyd: The only reason why things are not highlighted is because this is completely new next as opposed to the modification or changes being made to current text.
- iv. Brungardt: There are some words being taken out of the funding policy in point C and down. There are portions of the funding policy that are now missing, and that is not being properly recognized. In our By-Laws, it says that the student government has the final say over any expenditures. We have the right to see that information on a weekly basis, as opposed to only when Allocations finds something contentious. This would keep the faith in us and our organization.
- v. Senator Anderson: I have been here for 4 years and I understand that we are bureaucratic. Sometimes we have to take a long time in that process. We should restructure how well we use our time, but there is definitely a purpose behind viewing those pieces of legislation in senate. We do want to be mindful about the time of others. But perhaps this piece of legislation is not the most effective means of doing so. Students do become frustrated when they have to speak to senate for a long time. I am all for changing the agenda structure, but I still want legislation to see the senate floor.
- vi. Lloyd: Allocations is allotted a certain amount of money and they are allowed to utilize that funding for student orgs in whatever way they deem fit. I reviewed the way that WSGA has operated in years past and we are not doing anything. WSGA should have time to review other important things—not just funding requests. We have been held up and seen as an

appropriations committee, and this was not the original intent of the organization. We should be here for those that want to do more. This is a good first step, and this is a step that senate should take.

- vii. Vicechairperson McGill: I agree with the sentiment behind the bill, and I would like to share my support of the cause. What I have seen in the last semester is the way that allocations reviews these pieces of legislation. These are conversations that we are not having in senate, they are only being held in committee. Senator Lloyd pointed out that the meeting minutes from ALL meetings are public. We are just having them discuss the same things twice and there is rarely ever discussion in senate. This is a poor interaction with a lot of the bills that we are seeing. I trust Chairperson Brungardt's interpretation of the funding policies. We talk about this a lot in allocations, and I would trust this committee to do this. If there are issues with the by-laws that would prevent this, then I would urge us to make sure we comply with those documents first.
- viii. Senator Yucesan: We never reject funding requests on the floor. Allocations does a good job of filtering out those requests that are not in compliance. While we do appreciate the ritual of hearing from the students, it is not respectful of their time or ours. Please do take that into consideration. There may be another way for this to be done. We could still review them in senate, but it would not be required for the representative to attend.
- ix. Parliamentarian Sharp: I think that there are good points on both sides. The main intention is to preserve student time. Kendall brings up a good point that it is helpful to see all of this information in senate. Apollo has a good plan when he says that we wouldn't have to have the representative attend senate but should attend the allocations meeting.
- x. Director Kerney: We don't have people filling out open senate seat applications because we have a negative impression across

the student body. We want to be known for things other than just saying yes to every funding request that we see.

- xi. Chairperson Brungardt: Apollo, you are right! We agree that there are students here for too long, but we should work on rehashing the solution that we are talking about. I saw an earlier version of the bill and there were conversations about how this would work. This is something where we should all try to agree and work together and think about the solution to the problem. We agree on the problem, but we should talk about the procedure and the way we go about solving it.
- xii. Senator Smith: I would like to show my support for this bill. The only issue that I see with the By-Laws is the definition of WSGA. This is more a problem with something else. The only reason we would ever reject something is if it is not inline with our funding policy. We should be more aspirational in our ability to make changes to our policy and to our organization. I also want people to be able to make announcements at the end of our meetings.
- xiii. Director Newfer: I am in agreement with Senator Smith. If allocations is the entity in charge of the funding policy. Using this logic, we would have to question whether or not we actually have the authority, as a senate, to refuse the findings of the allocations committee or to deny a request that allocations has not denied. If we have a committee that is specifically tasked with maintaining adherence to this specific policy, then why do we need to hear this information twice.
- xiv. VP Clark: Kendall was talking about specific parts of the by-laws. Article I, Section III – Allocations is responsible for certain things. This authority is one that internal finance does have, but allocations does not have. This is where the contradiction lies.
- xv. Senator Smith: If we can say that legislation and funding requests are synonymous, then there would be no reason to disapprove this bill.

- xvi. Senator Anderson: Love the convo! I am still confused about the fact that we have this contradiction here. To be frank, I think that we should table this until next week. As much as I love this, I think that we could reform all of the way that we structure senate. We have to change so many things in order to truly be more efficient.
- xvii. Senator Lloyd: I would encourage that we do not table this and that we pass it this week. Change is good and we should do it.
- xviii. Chairperson Ross: I think that we table = we kick the can down the road. Deny the tabling motion.
- xix. Motion to table does fail.
- xx. Director Hammes: I am in favor of the intention of this bill. I would like to share with others that we can deny or approve this bill tonight and change it later. If we table it, then we have to see the exact same bill again later.
- xxi. President Coulter: If we give this ball status, do we have to completely restructure the way that senate is?
  1. Lloyd: Senate will continue as is, but we will not see funding requests unless the bill is particularly contentious or consensus is not achieved.
  2. Thanks, I just wanted a temp check
- xxii. Lloyd: If there is under 50% agreement, then the bill fails. If there is less than 2/3, then the bill would go to senate. If the bill passes, then we do not have to approve the bill through senate.
- xxiii. We have moved to previous question. This closes debate on the bill. We are now required to vote.
- xxiv. The bill fails.

b. Crim Chief of Staff Confirmation Vote

XII. Public Forum IV:

- a. Swearing in of Chief of Staff Crim
  - i. Caitlyn Crim's nomination for Chief of Staff is approved and she is sworn in!!! 😊

XIII. Announcements

XIV. Roll Call – Chief of Staff Caitlyn Crim

XV. Adjournment

Date: January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026

- I. Call to Order – Chairperson Brungardt
- II. Roll Call – Vice-Chairperson McGill
- III. New Business I:
  - a. Reimbursement
    - i. SB #132: Chemistry Club - February Meeting
      - 1. Organization is requesting funding for their February chemistry club meeting
      - 2. Parliamentarian Sharp moves to give this bill favorable status, unanimously approved
    - ii. SB #133: Piano and Organ Society - Piano Day
      - 1. Organization is requesting for their annual Piano Day event for K-12
      - 2. Senator Smith moves to amend the amount reimbursed for tickets from \$200 to \$100
      - 3. Parliamentarian Sharp moves to give this bill favorable status, unanimously approved
    - iii. SB #134: Piano and Organ Society - Field Trip
      - 1. Organization is requesting funding for a trip to go see a symphony
      - 2. Senator Smith moves to give this bill favorable status, unanimously approved
    - iv. SB #135: Veteran's Club - Apparel
      - 1. Organization is requesting funding for club apparel
      - 2. Senator Adhikari moves to give bill favorable status, unanimously approved
    - v. SB #136: Sigma Lambda Gamma (SLG) Sorority Inc. - Photoshoot
      - 1. Organization is requesting funding for their fall photoshoots
      - 2. Senator Smith moves to table this bill indefinitely, unanimously approved
  - b. Direct Funding

- i. SB #137: United Methodist Campus (UMC) Ministry - Mental Health Event
  - 1. Senator Smith moves to table this bill for one week, unanimously approved
- ii. SB #138: Funding Process Reformation Act
  - 1. Parliamentarian Sharp moves to give this bill neutral status, unanimously approved
- iii. SB #139: Canva Equity Act
  - 1. Senator Smith moves to table this bill indefinitely, unanimously approved

IV. Announcements

V. Funding Policy Review

VI. Adjournment

Position	First Name	Last Name	Present (Beginning)	Present (Final)
Chairperson	Kendall	Brungardt	P	P
Senator	Prekshya	Adhikari	P	P
Senator	DeMarques	Hinds	P	P
Vice Chairperson	Haley	McGill	P	P
Parliamentarian	Keegan	Sharp	P	P
Senator	Grady	Smith	P	P

**Washburn University Student Government Association SAB Committee,**  
**January 28, 2026**

Position	First Name	Last Name	Present (Beginning)	Present (Final)
Chairperson	Parker	Whaley	X	X
Vice Chairperson	Merit		Y	Y
Senator	Alyssa	Barbery	Y	Y
Senator	Shaylee	Giles	Y	Y
Senator	Kory	McFan	Y	Y
Senator	Ashton	Meier	X	X
Senator	Autumn	Stevens	Y	Y

- I. Call to order - Chairperson Merit Carter
- II. Roll call - Merit Carter
- III. New Business I
  - A. Movie & Discussion
    - 1. February 13th, 5-9 pm, Kansas Room, Chavanna should be ordering snacks and drinks.
    - 2. It's time to start thinking of discussion questions, everyone think of at least one (?)
  - B. 'What were you wearing' exhibit
    - 1. Parker has upcoming meetings with Molly to further discuss and plan
  - C. Black History Month
    - 1. Black Excellence Ball collab with BSU
    - 2. What else would we like to do?
  - D. Semester goals
    - 1. Plan goals and events we would like to achieve this semester
- IV. Adjournment

Snacks, Drinks: Lemonade, water, 2 bowls of popcorn, 2 dozen cookies

Date: February 13<sup>th</sup>

Time 5:00pm –9:00pm

(Make at least one discussion question)

Question:

- Has this film challenge any belief or any preconceived notions that you might had had.
- What approach can a child take when experiencing the same challenges?
- Is there part of the story that anyone has can relate to? why?
- How has this effected LGBTQ actors/actresses to either help or harm in their career.
- How does this highlight potential religious trauma
- What is the stigma surrounding black queer men
- Why do you think it is so hard for families to accept family members that are apart of the LGBTQ community
- What do you think can lessen the stigma around queer men in general

1. Continue to Budget
2. Intentional planning
3. Find more ways to get word out to non WSGA student
4. More interactive events
5. Do a team bonding event

**Washburn Student Government Special Events Committee Agenda**

**Date: 01-28-26**

**Meeting Start: 6:00**

**Meeting End:**

**I. Roll Call:**

**II. Review of Previous Meeting Minutes**

**III. Guest Speakers: N/A**

**IV. Reports & Updates**

a. Chairperson Report.

1. Nothing

**V. New Business**

a. Welcome BACK!

b. New Director!

c. Montage Mayhem planning: February 16<sup>th</sup> is the new signup deadline.

1. Video submission deadline is March 23<sup>rd</sup>

2. Watch party March 26th

3. Food options for watch party: popcorn, cotton candy, cookies, other things

4. 3 categories: faculty, Greek life, students

5.

**VI. Roll Call**

**VII. Adjournment**

**Washburn University Student Government Association**  
**---Internal Affairs Committee---**

XVI. Call to Order – Speaker Shaylee Giles

XVII. Roll Call – Parliamentarian Keegan Sharp

<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Roll Call #1</b>	<b>Roll Call #2</b>
Speaker	Shaylee Giles	X	X
Parliamentarian	Keegan Sharp	X	X
Chief of Staff	Caitlyn Crim	X	X
Senator	Prekshya Adhikari	X	X
Senator	Autumn Stevens	X	X
Senator	Nick Lloyd	X	x

XVIII. Review of Proceeding Meeting Minutes

XIX. Old Business

- a. Policy revision – quick touch base
  - i. This item was tabled for 1 week.

XX. New Business

- a. Open Senate Seat Applications – Artzer
  - i. One of Aytumns good friends. Good Orator. Very involved in High School. Would be a great Senator.
  - ii. This Bill was given favorable status.
- b. Open Senate Seat Applications – Neufeld
  - i. She was very helpful during the LCE of 2025.
  - ii. Bill was given favorable status.

XXI. Announcements

XXII. Adjournment

- a. Motion was made by Senator Stevens. Adjourned at 5:07.

<b>Position</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Present (Beginning)</b>	<b>Present (Final)</b>
Senator	Adhikari	P	P
Senator	Artzer	P	P
Senator	Anderson	P	P
Senator	Barbery	P	P
Senator	Bourell	A	A
Chairperson	Brungardt	P	P
Vice Chairperson	Carter	P	A
Vice Chairperson	Cattoor	A	A
Senator	Crim	P	P
Speaker	Giles	P	P
Senator	Hinds	P	P
Senator	Lloyd	P	P
Senator	McFan	P	P
Vice Chairperson	McGill	P	P
Senator	Meier	A	A
Vice Chairperson	Motes	P	P
Senator	Neufeld	P	P
Senator	O'Leary-Worsley	P	P
Chairperson	Ross	P	P
Parliamentarian	Sharp	P	P
Senator	Smith	P	P

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

Position	Last Name	Present (Beginning)	Present (Final)
Special Events Director	Carpenter	P	P
Marketing Director	Hammes	P	P
Campus and Community Affairs Director	Redington	P	P
Student Accessibility and Belonging Director	Kerney	P	P
Legislative Research Director	Newfer	P	P
Budget Director	Ginn	P	P
Chief of Staff	Crim	P	P
Chief of Staff	Roth	P	X
Vice President	Clark	P	P
President	Coulter	P	P
Advisor	Dr. TLC	P	P

Question of the day:

If you had to rename yourself, what would your new name be?



SENATE BILL 2025-26 #132  
TITLE: Chemistry Club - February Meeting  
ORIGINATOR: Chairperson Brungardt  
SPONSOR: Chairperson Brungardt  
STATUS: Allocations Committee – Pending

WHEREAS, Chemistry Club is requesting funding for their February 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 \$285.00 from the Student Organizations account to Chemistry Club for their February 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.



SENATE BILL 2025-26 #133  
TITLE: Piano and Organ Society - Piano Day  
ORIGINATOR: Chairperson Brungardt  
SPONSOR: Chairperson Brungardt  
STATUS: Allocations Committee – Pending

WHEREAS, Piano and Organ Society is requesting funding for their 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 \$1,225.00 from the Student Organizations account to Piano and Organ Society for their Piano Day event.

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 #134  
TITLE: Piano and Organ Society - Field Trip  
ORIGINATOR: Chairperson Brungardt  
SPONSOR: Chairperson Brungardt  
STATUS: Allocations Committee – Pending

WHEREAS, Piano and Organ Society is requesting funding for their field trip; 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 \$833.00 from the Student Organizations account to Piano and Organ Society for their field trip.

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 #135  
TITLE: Veteran's Club - Apparel  
ORIGINATOR: Chairperson Brungardt  
SPONSOR: Chairperson Brungardt  
STATUS: Allocations Committee – Pending

WHEREAS, Veteran's Club is requesting funding for their apparel; and

WHEREAS, Veteran's Club has fully complied with all applicable funding policies to this point in the allocation process; and

WHEREAS, Veteran's 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 \$1,500.00 from the Student Organizations account to Veteran's Club for their 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.



**SENATE BILL 2025-26 #136**

**TITLE:** Sigma Lambda Gamma (SLG) Sorority Inc. - Photoshoot  
**ORIGINATOR:** Chairperson Brungardt  
**SPONSOR:** Chairperson Brungardt  
**STATUS:** Allocations Committee – Pending

WHEREAS, Sigma Lambda Gamma (SLG) Sorority Inc. is requesting funding for their photoshoot; and

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

WHEREAS, SLG 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 \$460.00 from the Student Organizations account to SLG for their photoshoot.

**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 #137**

**TITLE:** United Methodist Campus (UMC) Ministry - Mental Health Event

**ORIGINATOR:** Chairperson Brungardt

**SPONSOR:** Chairperson Brungardt

**STATUS:** Allocations Committee – Pending

WHEREAS, United Methodist Campus (UMC) Ministry is requesting funding for their mental health event; and

WHEREAS, UMC Ministry has fully complied with all applicable funding policies to this point in the allocation process; and

WHEREAS, UMC Ministry 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 UMC Ministry for their mental health event.

**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 #138**

**TITLE:** Funding Process Reform Act

**ORIGINATOR:** Senator Lloyd

**SPONSOR:** Senator Lloyd

**STATUS:** Allocations Committee - Pending

WHEREAS, the Washburn Student Government Association (WSGA) is entrusted with the allocation and oversight of student activity fee funds; and

WHEREAS, the current WSGA Funding Policy has resulted in funding procedures that require students to attend prolonged meetings, regardless of whether their presence is necessary; and

WHEREAS, reforming the Funding Policy would promote equitable access to student funds while respecting the time commitments of hardworking students; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the student body that the WSGA Funding Policy be reformed to improve efficiency and accessibility.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE WSGA SENATE:

**SECTION ONE: Purpose**

1. The purpose of this legislation is to reform the funding policy in a way that simplifies the process for the Allocations Committee while making it easier and more accessible for students to request funding, ensuring that student activity fee funds are used efficiently to benefit as many students as possible.

**SECTION TWO: New Funding Policy Revisions**

1. Chapter 4 of the Funding Policy will be amended to say:
  - a. The Budget Director shall deliver the paperwork to the Allocations Committee Chairperson, who will present it **in the form of a bill** to the next Allocations Committee **and Full Senate Meetings**, unless consent is granted by the requesting organization to delay the process.
  - b. The Committee will then vote to approve or deny the request for funds. A 2/3 majority is required to approve the request. If a 2/3 majority cannot be met, the Organization has the right to appeal to the full senate on that same day. The Senate will then hear the request and a simple majority is all that is needed to approve the request.
    1. A representative from the requesting organization will be required to attend to speak on the request in the Allocations Committee meeting following their request submission. Organizations will be notified of the date and time of the Allocations Committee meeting to attend by the Budget Director in the week prior to the meeting they are required to attend. This representative cannot be a sworn-in member of the WSGA. This representative will have the right to appeal the request to the next senate they can attend.
    2. For each organization that is approved, the Allocations Chairperson will give a report in full Senate on how much was approved. For questions relating to

funding requests given favorable status in the Allocations Committee, the Chairperson is able to speak on behalf of the requesting organization. Senators reserve the right to ask the Budget Director for any documents relating to the request, provided that the private information of the requesting organizations be withheld.

#### SECTION THREE: Responsibility

1. The Budget Director will work with the Legislative Director to make sure this funding policy is updated and redistributed by January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026.
2. The Budget Director will inform all requesting organizations of this change throughout the Spring 2026 semester and will ensure that the funding request form and website reflect these changes.
3. The Communications & Marketing director will work with the Budget Director to inform the student body of these changes through the applicable communications mediums, including but not limited to social media and the blinky board.

SECTION FOUR: This legislation shall become effective upon passage by the WSGA Senate, subject to the veto power of the WSGA President.