**Senate Meeting Minutes**

Fourteenth Meeting of the Twenty-First Senate – Tuesday, 23 November 2021

Before the meeting was called to order, Assistant Dean of Potter College of Arts and Letters and Associate Professor of Political Science Dr. Jeffrey Budziak spoke to the members of SGA about the role of Critical Race Theory and in favor of Resolution 7-21-F. Dr. Budziak can be reached at [jeffrey.budziak@wku.edu](mailto:jeffrey.budziak@wku.edu) or in his office in FAC 231.

1. **Call to Order**
   1. The meeting was called to order at 5:27 PM.
2. **Roll Call**
   1. Roll was called, thirty senators were present.
3. **Approval of Minutes**
   1. The previous week’s minutes were unanimously approved.
4. **Guest and Student Speakers**
   1. Student Andre Swai spoke in favor of Resolution 7-21-F.
5. **Officer Reports**
   1. Executive Vice President Me’Lon Craighead
      1. Those in contact with Terrence Johnson please respond to email with availability
      2. Alternate senators for committees coming up soon
   2. Administrative Vice President Reed Breunig
      1. Please fill out Exec and Committee Head evaluations
      2. RSOs have submitted 25 applications for $500 each
         1. Bill coming soon
   3. Speaker of the Senate Tess Welch
      1. Please fill out Exec and Committee Heads evaluations
      2. Meeting with Francesca Sunkin next Tuesday (11/29/21) to work on student survey for advising input
      3. Please stop by office or schedule a meeting to work on legislation
      4. Turn in November office hours before the end of the month
         1. JC ruling on late October hours will be announced soon
      5. Sen. Baum moved to not require office hours for the months of December and January
         1. Motion seconded.
         2. Time was allowed for debate. One speech in affirmation was given.
         3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
         4. Motion unanimously approved.
6. **Committee Reports**
   1. Campus Improvements and Sustainability – Zachary Skillman
      1. Please fill out form sent last week
   2. Student Mental Health and Wellbeing – Alex Cissell
      1. Wellness Wednesday next week (12/1/21)
7. **Faculty Senate Reports**
   1. Faculty Senate – Rhyan Blazek
      1. Low student response rate on course evaluations, please complete and encourage others
      2. Please reach out with ideas to improve this important part of the student voice
8. **Special Orders**
   1. Faculty Welfare and Professional Responsibilities Committee – Rhyan Blazek
      1. University-wide vaccine mandate died in Faculty Senate Executive Committee
      2. Recommends not removing mask mandate in spring semester
   2. Senator of the Month – Tess Welch
      1. Nominations open through next Monday
      2. Sen. Powell moved to complete legislative voting via Google Form.
         1. Motion seconded.
         2. Time was allowed for debate. One speech in affirmation was given.
         3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
         4. Motion unanimously approved.
9. **Unfinished Business**
   1. Resolution 3-21-F
      1. Resolution introduced by Sen. Glaser.
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate. Two speeches in affirmation and three speeches in negation were given.
      3. Sen. Blazek called the previous question.
         1. Seconded.
         2. Time was allowed for debate. One speech in affirmation was given.
         3. Motion unanimously approved.
      4. Resolution passed.
   2. Resolution 6-21-F
      1. Resolution introduced by Sen. Cissell.
      2. Time was allowed for questions and debate. One speech in affirmation was given.
      3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
      4. Resolution passed.
   3. Resolution 7-21-F
      1. Resolution introduced by Sens. Banales, Blackmon, Pierce, and Douglas.
      2. Sen. Collins moved to limit debate to 10 min.
         1. Seconded.
         2. Time was allowed for debate. One speech in affirmation was given
         3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
         4. Motion failed.
      3. Sen. Douglas moved to vote via roll call.
         1. Seconded.
         2. Time was allowed for debate. One speech in affirmation and one speech in negation were given.
         3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
         4. Motion failed.
      4. Sec. DeLozier moved to amend the bill.
         1. Taken as friendly.
      5. Time was allowed for questions.
      6. Sen. Collins moved to extend the meeting to no later than 7:30 PM
         1. Seconded.
         2. Time was allowed for debate. Two speeches in affirmation and three speeches in negation were given.
         3. Speaker Welch called the previous question.
         4. Motion failed.
      7. Sen. Baum moved to table the resolution until the next week’s meeting (11/30/21)
         1. Seconded.
         2. Time was allowed for debate. One speech in affirmation was given.
         3. Motion unanimously approved.
10. **Adjournment**
    1. Speaker Welch moved to adjourn.
    2. Seconded.
    3. Meeting adjourned at 7:02 PM with unanimous consent.