



WKU STAFF SENATE

Monthly Meeting – June 4th, 2025 (10:00 AM) JRH 242

View Full Meeting: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aCRaptzjk24>

Call to Order: 10:00 AM CST

Roll Call: 17 Senators in attendance; in person and via Zoom.

Approval of the Agenda & Prior Monthly Meeting Minutes: Both approved by unanimous consent.

Christopher Ware Staff Star Awards

Jessica Dunnegan, Academic Affairs

Jennifer Anderson, OCSE Dean's Office

CanDoo, Military Student Services, KAP, & ASL

Guest Speaker

- WKU Parking and Transportation: Ginny Griffin, Director of Parking and Transportation, shared information about Parking and Transportation and answered questions submitted in advance from WKU Staff. Highlights included:
 - Permit sales for FY 2025-2026 are on sale now.
 - Parking and Transportation is 100 percent dependent on revenue. The profits go to retain parking resources (parking lots and parking structures). PS1 needs \$1.2 million in maintenance. The average cost to maintain a surface space is \$450. WKU has ~9,300 parking spaces. There are currently 8,875 active permits.
 - The waitlist for premium parking was a catalyst for the changes to premium parking lots this year. The waitlist members for FS1 primarily wanted to park in Mimosa but the available spots were in other parking lots on campus.
 - The closing of Normal and Regents, the new Gordon Ford College of Business building, and the Cherry Hall renovations have necessitated shifting of parking zones. There will be expanded FS3 and commuter parking in Chestnut Street South. Hyatt guest parking and some commuter parking at the top of the hill will be converted into housing spaces.
 - FY26 permits did not increase. There have been no conversations yet about FY27 fees. Historically they have increased every 5 years or so.
 - Overselling Permits: It is considered best practice to oversell permits. Not every permit holder parks at the same time or parks in a parking lot every

day. Parking and Transportation begins overselling conservatively at 6 percent. Lots are monitored and counted during peak times. If there are consistent numbers of open spaces, then Parking and Transportation will go to the waitlist. The goal of occupancy on the lots on campus is 95 percent occupied.

- Parking and Transportation's customer facing office is now located in DSU on the ground floor. The rest of the team will be moving to the Service and Supply building.
- Please visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aCRaptzik24> to watch the full remarks.

Officer, Committee, and Staff Regent Reports

- **Staff Regent – Jennifer Hammonds:**

- There is a Board of Regents meeting on Friday. Most of the items on the agenda will be from the committee meeting last month. One new action item is the promotion and tenure for a new hire for the Honors College.
- The Director of Finance has the operating budget for FY 26. It looks promising and that WKU is in a much better place than previous years.
- President Caboni's contract has been set for renewal. There are a few policies that will be voted on, a housing update and officer election nominations.

- **Deanna Jenkins:** Senator Jenkins is working on sunsetting the X account and creating a LinkedIn account.

- **Treasurer – Andria Henry**

Treasurer's Report

June 2025

AS OF 6/3/2025, FY25:

E&G Index – 100600

- Starting Balance = \$1,913.89
- Additions = \$0.00
- Disbursements = \$240.00 (pending)
- Ending Balance = \$1,673.89

WKUF Account (Staff Senate Excellence Fund) – 1108600

- Starting Balance = \$2,260.12
- Additions = \$15.00
- Disbursements = \$0.00
- Ending Balance = \$2,275.12

CHF Account (Book Scholarship) – 800139

- Starting Balance = \$1,954.84
- Additions = \$15.00
- Disbursements = \$0.00

- Ending Balance = \$1,969.84
- **Technology – Kent Johnson:** The newly elected senators have been added to the email list. There is a work order in with IT to add the new senators to the shared drive. Please contact Senator Johnson with any questions.
- **Parliamentarian – Jordan Ray:** No Report
- **Secretary – Morgan Moran:** No Report
- **Vice-Chair – Leslie Vanderpool:** No Report
- **Chair – Tanya Vincent**
 - The BEC met for the last time this year. Susan Howarth provided a FY26 budget update that will be presented to the Board of Regents on Friday. Professor Kurt Neelly will represent the faculty on BEC and co-chair the BEC.

Old Business:

- Benefits Committee: Senator Spitler shared that the committee is working on the FY26 healthcare plan. They are looking at a few options and will communicate when they reach a decision.

New Business:

- Chair Vincent presented certificates to the senators rolling off Staff Senate.

Public Comment: None

Announcements & Notable Events:

- Next Staff Senate Meeting: July 2nd, 2025, 10:00 am in DSU.

Adjournment: 11:38 AM CST