



Wittenberg University Student Senate Minutes

Outline Below:

SENATE MEETING AGENDA

On Tuesday, October 3rd 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:
 - a. *Tardus*:
 - b. *in absentia*: **Stelea, Pipinich, Bechtol, and Neutzling**

Minutes approved by:

Special Order:

WITT LITS PRESENTATION:

Structure of Organization:

- Reading One book a month
- meeting twice a month for two different books in two different genres
- reading and talking about the books
- the last 15 minutes picking a new book off the list
- President, Vice-President, secretary/Sage Constituent, treasurer, social media advisor

What Will the Organization do?

- We will meet and talk about a novel we have chosen. We will meet and make book crafts, hold coffee chats , and bring people together from their love of books
- Dr. Emily West is the advisor.

Financials

- What money does this organization need to function?
- 1,000 dollars a semester
- Yes we need to schedule a meeting.

Wittenberg Pickleball Club:

Purpose of Pickleball:

- Our mission is to provide students of all skill levels with the opportunity to play, learn, and bond over the sport of Pickleball. Through friendly competition, skill-building workshops, and collaborative events, we aim to create a welcoming space that fosters both physical activity and social connections.

Structure of Organization:

- **executive Board:** President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer.
- **Members:** Open to students, faculty, and staff.
- **Advisor:** Appointed by the Office of Student Involvement.
- **Meetings:** Regularly scheduled, with special meetings as needed.
- **Quorum:** 80% of active members required for official decisions.
- **Legislation:** Majority vote for policies and resolutions.
- **Amendments:** Two-thirds majority for constitution changes.
- This structure ensures efficient club operation and governance while promoting the club's mission on campus.

What will pickleball do?

- **Promote Pickleball:** Organize regular Pickleball matches and tournaments for players of all skill levels.
- **Skill Building:** Offer workshops and training sessions to help members improve their Pickleball skills.
- **Social Engagement:** Host social events, themed game nights, and intercollegiate matches to foster a sense of community and camaraderie.
- **Collaborate:** Partner with other sports clubs and organizations to promote unity and inclusivity across campus.

Financials:

- The Wittenberg Pickleball Club (WPC) requires funding for several purposes:
 1. **Membership Dues:** Approximately \$0.
 2. **Equipment and Supplies:** Several hundred to a few thousand dollars annually for equipment maintenance and purchases.
 3. **Facility Rental:** Costs depend on location and time, so budgeting is essential.
 4. **Events and Tournaments:** Expenses vary but may range from a few hundred to several thousand dollars per event for prizes, catering, and venue rental.
 5. **Travel Expenses:** If participating in tournaments, funding may be needed for transportation, accommodation, and registration fees.

- Regarding student fund allocation, the WPC should follow the university's policies and schedule meetings as per the university's guidelines and deadlines for funding requests.

Risk Management:

1. **Physical Risks:** Injuries during play.
 2. **Reputational Risks:** Negative behavior and failure to meet club goals.
 3. **Emotional Risks:** Exclusion and cliques.
 4. **Financial Risks:** Budget shortfalls.
 5. **Facility Risks:** Court availability and weather conditions.
- I. Officer Reports/Goals: (10 minutes)
- a. **Gardner, President –**
 - i. Safety walk with Chief Hutchins and Facilities directors on 10/10 (time 7:30pm)
 - ii. If you need more time to meet with your committee, please plan for your committee to start between 6 and 6:30pm
 - iii. Bike rap map: Bike Racks
 - iv. Sexual assault awareness campaign?
 - Wanting to focus on definitions, processes, and legal procedures in the state of Ohio.
 - Is this something you all would be interested in pursuing?
 - Shooting to take place in April (Sexual Assault Awareness Month)
 - An opportunity for a week-long collaboration of events with organizations across campus to promote awareness, support, and educational policies.
 - Kind of a “red-ribbon week” promotion with different events throughout the week
 - Printing solutions can be found here: [Printing Solution](#)
 - If you hear of any students having further problems, let me know, or urge them to reach out to IT located on the bottom floor of the library.
 - b. **Dewey, Vice President –**
 - i. W-Day went well, reach out to Dewey (deweya@wittenberg.edu) if there could possibly be improvements for W-Day next year.
 - c. **Kuzilwa, Treasurer –**
 - i. New student orgs don't have account numbers and if they need to spend funds direct them to me I'm working with Katie Simms as well as the student accounts office.
 - d. **Stinefield, Secretary –**
 - i. Just reminder to send in reports by noon on Monday.
 - e. **Carter, FSC –**
 - i. Faculty meeting next Tuesday at 4:00pm in Bailey Auditorium.

- f. **Tolliver, 2023** –
 - i. Annunal Savings report, with chief before thanksgiving break.
- g. **Pena, Public Relations** –
 - i. Approved swag
- h. **Lightner, Diversity** --
 - i. GSDA elections open Wednesday, and elections will end Friday. The next meeting will be deciding the new exec board.
 - ii. Brown Girls Club will be dispensing, due to other organizations and manpower. This will not be completely, but cannot be a full exec board for the semester.
- i. **Browning, Student Organizations**—
 - i. Witt Chamber Musicians, Pickball Club, and Book Club will be presenting for Senate approval.
 - ii. I'm also still working with Witt Swifties, Improv Club, Cyber security, Nursing, Club golf, Witt Fits, and Video Gaming Club.
- j. **Raymond, RHA** –
 - i. RHA collab with the Witt Spirt Team for Tiger Up Tuesday on November 14th.
 - ii. We're in the process of making a quality-of-life survey for the dorms. These surveys will go out once per semester.
 - iii. We will hopefully start having general body meetings once a month.
- k. **Hunt, Greek** –
 - i. Presidents Roundtable in the Li Room went well!
 - 1. Discussed improving recruitment, incentivizing exec board positions and upcoming events.
 - 2. Every chapter shared opposing opinions about Phi Gamma Delta returning to campus.
 - 3. Next Presidents Roundtable will most likely be in a different location.
 - ii. Fraternity and Sorority Info Session
 - 1. Saturday, October 7th, @ 9am - 10am in Bayley Auditorium
- l. **Weis, Green** –
 - i. Faculty of life committee.
- m. **Stelea, AIA** –
 - i. No report
- n. **Hummel, Witten 'Burbs** –
 - i. Working with Gwen Owens to have a quality of life survey
- o. **Dicks, CBS**
 - i. Kickback this Friday, at 6-9 in founders and working with SOP.
- p. **Bechtol, Interfaith-**
 - i. No report
- q. **Neutzling, SAAC** –
 - i. No report
- r. **Specht, GSDA** –

- i. No report
 - s. **Pipinich, 2025** –
 - i. No report
 - t. **Harper, 2026** –
 - i. No report
 - u. **XXX, 2027** –
 - i. No report
 - v. **Gill, Advisor** –
 - i. Student Life survey shouldn't take long
 - ii. Professor Graff sent out a email to all students, check it out.
 - iii. New position filled, where Pracna used to be.
 - iv. Robin Shreck is no longer at Wittenberg, student affairs will be delt with Casey Gill or Gwen Owens.
 - v. Student Development tent that will be at homecoming.
- II. Committee Reports: (5 minutes)
 - a. **Carter, Educational Policy** –
 - i. No report
 - b. **Dewey & Tolliver, Events-**
 - i. Townhall Meeting the week following fall break.
 - c. **Kuzilwa, Finance** –
 - i. tiger fund allocated funding to 3 orgs. Beta theta pi(fall fest), mock trial, and East Asian studies club
 - d. **Stinefield & Pena, Outreach and Public Relations** –
 - i. No report
 - e. **Gardner, Student Life** –
 - i. Working alongside Witt PD to maybe help purchase keycards for students in dorms.
 - ii. Can we consider switching ID cards for all students, which would have access to designated buildings and dorms.
 - iii. Ring doorbells are not a solution; should be treated as only a temporary fix.
 - iv. Communication methods: Maybe creating an accessible link to the student body (student senate webpage) that would notify members of the committee of current issues in the student population.
- III. Campaigns Reports
 - a. **Truth Talk Thursday**
- IV. Open Forum:
 - a. Mocktails with the senators (non-alcoholic).
 - i. Getting new people to come out
 - ii. People over 21 can purchase alcohol.
 - b. Housing Problems:
 - i. When do people have to take air-conditioners out.

- ii. Talk to Chief about being locked out of the dorm rooms.
- c. Connectivity Issues:
 - i. If you have issues you need to send reports so we can go off issues.
 - ii. Get a group of senators together to make a full report and bring areas of attention to them. Ceaser is the guy to talk to.

V. Old Business:

- a. Motion Passed to change Article 1, affective January 1st 2024.

Section 1:

Article I: Meetings

Student Senate general body meetings will be held the first, second, and fourth Tuesday evenings of each month when school is in session at a place and time determined by the President.

1. The President has the right to cancel any general body meeting if there is no pressing business or to call a special meeting if one is necessary.
2. The absence of a Student Senator may be excused at the President's discretion.
3. Two unexcused absences per term which may only be use done per semester.
4. The President will establish and notify the Student Senate at the beginning of each semester of an attendance policy concerning faculty meetings, Student Senate Executive Board Meetings, etc.
5. Student Senator Attendance policy shall follow for Senate committees with discretion up to the committee's chair.
6. In the event of a fifth Tuesday or break in school session, the pattern of "AABA" should be followed regarding meeting type. "A" indicating general body, "B" indicating committee meetings.

Student Senate Executive Board meetings will be held every week there is a general body meeting when school is in session at a place and time determined by the President.

A. The President has the right to cancel any Executive Board meeting if there is no pressing business or to call a special meeting if one is necessary.

Student Senate Committee meetings will be held the third Tuesday evening of each month when school is in session at a place and time determined by the respective Chairperson of that Committee.

A. The Chairperson of a committee has the right to cancel any committee meeting if there is no pressing business or to call a special meeting if one is necessary.

- b. Motion Passed to change Article 2, affective January 1st, 2024.
 - i. Motion to add comma and &. Section 2, e, ii is passed.
 - ii. Motion to strike out point f of section 2 is passed.
 - iii. Motion to change AIA to new name is denied.
 - iv. Motion to add the GSDA senator to the membership of the student life committee is passed.

VI. New Business:

- a. Propose to change AIA to new name that will be voted on in next meeting.
- b. Wittenberg Pickelball Club as a new student organization.
- c. Wittenberg Lits as a new student Organization.

VII. Announcements:

- a. Walk through at 7:30 at Wally Witt.

VIII. Adjournment:

- a. Motion to adjourn: Katie Gardner
- b. Second: Derek Stinefield