



Wittenberg University Student Senate Minutes

Outline Below: *SENATE MEETING AGENDA*

On Tuesday, **April 23rd** at 7:00 p.m., in the Offices of Student Senate, the Student Senate held a Meeting with the following persons present:

- I. Call to Order/Roll Call:
 - a. *Tardus*:
 - b. *in Absentia*: Harper, Dawson
- II. The following Senators were installed on 4.23.2024 by former President Katie Gardner, Gill, Advisor, was present
 - a. Claire Patton, Interfaith
 - b. Victoria Pipinich, Class of 2025 Representative
 - c. Antwan Terrell, FSC
 - d. Khi Carroll, President
 - e. Olivia Pena, Vice President
 - f. Molly Specht, PR
 - g. Katie Lowry, Secretary
 - h. Reagan Simpson, Greek Life
 - i. Peyton Archer, Student Orgs

April 16th, 2024 Minutes approved by: Moved by Pena, Seconded by Specht

- III. Officer Reports/Goals: (10 minutes)
 - a. **Carroll, President** —
 - i. Vacancies and elections
 1. Vacancies in Classes 2025, 2026, 2027, and cultural diversity senators

2. Class of 2025 candidates that have sent in candidacy statements: Derek Stinefield, Grace Hehman, Zoey Hupp, Abi Brioli (no candidacy statement received)
 3. Class of 2026 candidates- Andy Nemunaitis, Shane Coffey
 4. Special Elections will be held in the Fall for these positions. We should start talking about when we would like to hold them.
- b. **Pena, Vice President** —
- i. Jacob Carlton reached out about funding \$200 to Sunday Funday
 1. Using leftover Drag Brunch funds, the Senate is allocating \$200 towards Pizza.
- c. **Smith, Treasurer** —
- i. Tiger Fund approved 1000 dollars for East Asians Studies Journal this afternoon, 4/23/24.
- d. **Lowry, Secretary** —
- i. The emails for the 2024-25 Senate have been updated.
 1. Studentsenate-exec@wittenberg.edu
 - a Will go only to executive members
 2. Studentsenate-students@wittenberg.edu
 - a Will go to all the senators.
 - b Teams is now updated to include the 2024-25 Student Senate.
 - c Please let me know if you are missing access.
 - ii. When sending in reports, please include the following in the subject line: Last name, position--- Report (Date)
 - iii. Starting this fall, please send reports to lowryk@wittenberg.edu by Monday at 6 pm. Starting Monday, September 2nd.
- b. **Terrell, Faculty Student Coordinator** —
- i. No report.
- c. **Pipinich, 2025 Class Representative** —
- i. No report.
- d. **XXX, 2025 Class Representative** —
- i. VACANT
- e. **Specht, Public Relations** —
- i. I'm looking to reach out to Witt's communications department to have pictures taken in the fall for the Student Senate website and Instagram.
 - ii. Meet the Senators Post
 - i The form will be coming out soon via. Email

1 This will include Name, Hometown, Class Year,
Major/Minor, Involvements, and a Fun Fact

iii. Nametags will be ordered over the summer for 24-25 Senate.

iv. Posts will be made on Instagram talking about the current vacancies, this will likely be done by the end of next week.

v. The form will be sent out soon with ideas for Senate apparel for 24-25.

- f. **XXX, Cultural Diversity** —
 - i. VACANT
- g. **XXX, Cultural Diversity** —
 - i. VACANT
- h. **Archer, Student Organizations** —
 - i. Met with Browning about Mi Gente Club
 - i. Presentation and Constitution this coming Fall.
- I. **XXX, Residence Hall Association** —
 - i. VACANT
- II. **Simpson, Fraternity/Sorority Life** —
 - i. No Report.
- III. **Raymond, Witten'Burbs** —
 - i. RHA—Resident's Life survey was sent out. Please fill it out to be entered into a raffle. This is due May 3rd.
- i. **Patton, Interfaith** —
 - i. WCA is finished for the semester.
 - ii. Cru's final weekly meeting is Wednesday at 8 in Blair 101
- m. **XXX, Student Athletics Senator** —
 - i. VACANT
- n. **Harper, Class Representative 2026**
 - i. No Report.
- o. **XXX, Junior Class Representative, 2026**
 - i. VACANT
- p. **XXX, Sophomore Class Representative 2027**
 - i. VACANT
- q. **XXX, Sophomore Class Representative 2027**
 - i. VACANT
- r. **Gill, Advisor** —
 - i. Cram Jam is in the CDR on May 1st.

- ii. In news of protests on college campuses
 - a. Students have the right to dissent anything unless it is disruptive to the operations of the Campus, silent protests do not disrupt and are in no way against policies.
- a. Disruptions proved to affect operations and are to be intervened in by the president, provost, and dean of students.

III. Committee Reports: (5 minutes)

- a. **Pena, Special Events** —
 - i. No Report.
- b. **Smith, Finance** —
 - i. No Report.
- c. **Carroll, Student Life** —
 - i. No Report.

IV. Open Forum:

- a. Faculty Meeting
 - i. Kuzilwa (Treasurer Senate 2024)
 - 1 Encouragement to students attending the 4/30M Faculty Meeting to protest and address faculty and budget cuts.
 - ii. Carroll, President
 - 1 Concerns with the new prospective majors and minors being voted on this coming Faculty Meetings with the rumors of budget cuts
 - iii. Gill, Advisor
 - 1 The process for budget cuts and the prospect of new majors and minors is incredibly difficult due to tenured positions and ROI.
 - 2 The potential majors are being added to possible increase enrollment as students are looking for engineering programs and certificate programs.
 - iv. Gardner (President Senate 2024)
 - 1 8 individuals will be in attendance, regardless of the current list, at the 4/30 Faculty Meeting.
- b. Schedule for Senate 2024-25
 - i. Lowry, Secretary
 - 1 Senate will be in attendance beginning August 27th with an executive meeting.

2 The remaining FA 24 will follow the AAB schedule starting September 3rd.

3 Exec will meet at 6 pm and General Body will meet at 7 pm.

c. Wittenberg Police Department

i Gardner (President Senate 2024)

1 Credit to Chief Hutchins and the work of Witt PD and how well they work with students finding themselves in difficult situations.

ii Lowry, Secretary

1 Reach out if interested in the Police Advisory Committee for the coming semester.

V. Old Business:

a. Amendments [Article IV Section 1A](#) and [Article IV Section 1D](#)

i Transfers responsibilities of meeting agenda from President to Secretary.

1 Motion to approve amendments as listed: Carroll, President

2 Seconded: Pena, VP

3 Abstained: Lowry

ii **Result: Passes**

b. [2024/25 budget](#)

i Motion: Dawson, Kuzilwa (Treasurer Senate, 2024)

ii Second: Pena

iii Abstain: Dawson

c. **Result: Passes**

VI. New Business: N/A

VII. Announcements:

a. Lowry (2027)

i Emails sent to work help with Destination Witt and Welcome Week, waiting on response.

b. Gill, Advisor

i Use Open Forum to address student concerns

VIII. Adjournment:

a. Motion to adjourn: Carroll, President at 7:43 P.M.

b. Second: Pena, Vice President