I. Call to order

President Sami Dada called to order the regular meeting of the NKU Student Government Association at 3:32 p.m. on September 25th, 2017 in Governance Room (SU 104).

II. Roll call

Secretary of Administration Ethan Losier conducted a roll call.

Executive Team Present: Hannah Edelen, Christina Muenchen, Ethan Losier, Taylor Gagne, Erica Bluford, and Sami Dada

Executive Members Absent:

Executive Members Excused:


Senators Absent:

Senators Excused: Presley Bryant

Justices Present: Christian Dichoso, Haley Madden, Hunter Poindexter, and Benjamin Sanning

Justices Absent: Lindsay Wright

Justices Excused:

Guests Present:

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Reading of Minutes
A. President Sami Dada brought up last meeting’s minutes to be approved.

B. Justice Benjamin Sanning held a dispute against the minutes, stating that he was at the meeting and was not unexcused. A clarification was made that because Justice Sanning left before the meeting had concluded, he was considered absent.

C. Challenges against Senator Barnes and Vesgas’ marked absences were also made. A point of information was made by Secretary Losier that showing up more than 10 minutes late will cause one to be marked as unexcused.

D. Senator Zarnowski made a motion to excuse the absences of Senator Barnes, Vesgas, and Justice Sanning last week. This motion was seconded by Senator Jones. A vote was held and Senator Zarnowski’s motion failed on a count of 8 yeas to 10 nays and 2 spoken abstentions.

E. The minutes did have a mistake, in that the announcements were from the previous week.

F. The motion to approve the minutes as read with the striking of the announcements was sub moved by Senator Sweet and seconded by Senator Berkemeyer. It passed 20 yeas to 4 nays and no abstentions.

G. Discussion and clarification was then held that to be counted as attending the meeting that you had to stay for the duration of the meeting.

V. Open Session

A. The Student Government Association left to take pictures.

B. Upon return, a working meeting was held for the committee chairs to meet with their committees in order to come up with their top ten legislative ideas.

C. After the working meeting concluded, Chief of Staff Gagne presented on Roberts Rules of Order.

D. The Senate then presented each committee’s Top 10 goals for the semester and a balloted vote was held to determine the popularity of each idea for the Executive Board to review.

VI. Executive Board Reports

A. Secretary of Public Relations, Hannah Edelen
   - PR items have come in!
   - Norse Rates has gone well. Applebee’s will now be having Karaoke Wednesday nights with an additional 10% off for NKU Students to any current deal.
   - Let me know if you are in the Facebook Group.
   - Thank you to those who will be playing Big Pink Volleyball.
   - If you cannot play, then you must find a replacement.

B. Secretary of Student Involvement, Christina Muenchen
   - Need Senators for Legacy Fund and PAG Committee.
   - President’s Academy is coming up. Make sure to have your student organizations registered.

C. Secretary of Administration, Ethan Losier
   - Happy Monday!
   - Talk to me ahead of time if you won’t be able to make meeting. Senators and justices have 3 unexcused absences per semester.
   - The attendance policy will be sent out with the minutes.
D. Vice President, Erica Bluford
E. President, Sami Dada
   • Appointments for next week will be proposed.
   • We have had resignations

VII. Committee Reports
B. Student Rights Committee, Jachelle Sologuren
   • Will be looking into the Free Expression Policy.
   • Will be proposing a protection of DACA Students resolution next meeting.
C. University Improvements Committee, Evan Berkemeyer
   • Email me your updates.
D. Academic Affairs Committee, Janiah Miller
   • Teach in has been moved to October 19th.
   • I will be attending a policy meeting soon.

VIII. Ex-Officio Reports
A. Chief of Staff, Taylor Gagne
   • Will be meeting with Adam Caswell soon.
   • Senator Sologuren and Moran have resolutions that are close to being presented.
B. Chief Justice, Hunter Poindexter
   • Had two SOCOP applications this week!
   • Justices are all willing to help research

IX. Advisors Reports
A. Head Advisor, Sarah Aikman
   • No Report
B. Advisor, Bob Alston
C. Advisor, Dannie Moore

X. Liaison Reports
A. Association of Campus Residents, President Dallas Simpson
B. Northerner, Sam

XI. Old Business

XII. New Business
A. Website needs updated.
B. Senator Jarret Lopez is working on expansion of Flex Housing.
C. Flex dollars are being looked at to potentially be able to be used for NKU Gear at the bookstore.

XIII. Announcements
A. Executive Board will shorten the list of goals soon.
B. An After-School Program is looking to get started and needs volunteers.
C. See Sarah Aikman or Secretary Edelen for crewneck stuff.

XIV. Adjournment

Secretary of Administration Losier would like to entertain a motion to adjourn. Senator Davis sub moves and has a second from Senator Gagne. Vote taken, none were opposed. Meeting is adjourned at 5:28 pm.