I. Call to Order – 3:34 pm
II. Roll Call
   b. Absent- Bhola (e), Graff, Moore (e)
   c. Guests
III. Pledge of Allegiance
IV. Approval of Minutes
   i. Motion by Senator Wallace
   ii. Seconded by Senator Ristic
V. Open Session
VI. Executive Board Reports
   a. Vice President of Public Relations - Tracy Osborne
      i. Printed Flyers to advertise open session in SGA meeting; Please take some to hang up; Please don’t take if you won’t hang them up.
      ii. All About U at the U; December 10th. Poor senate attendance; Please sign up if you are dedicated to coming and assisting with the event. The event is from 12-1 on Wednesday December 10th.
   b. Vice President of Student Involvement - Kevin Reynolds
      i. Addressing Legacy Fund Issue; Baptist Campus Ministry had too much money; Teresa in Office of Student Life has contacted them and will be collecting that money. Will go into the leftover pot for future needs.
      ii. Legacy Committee along with Dean Waple met last Tuesday to revise guidelines. Will bring copies when they are finalized for questions. We made significant changes. Will try to get them here by next week, but no guarantees.
      iii. I will be putting together a panel discussion to be held with the Dean’s Office and some other administrators who oversee the Student Union. We are looking for a compromise on having banners in the Student Union. Will keep you updated.
      iv. Dean Waple- Meeting has already happened. 5 areas in the Student Union have already been designated banner acceptable areas.
      v. Vice President Reynolds- Nevermind. We won’t need a panel discussion.
   c. Vice President of Administration - Shauna Prentice
      i. No Report
d. Executive Vice President - Melissa Koppenhoefer
   iii. Sorry for last week’s absence. Doctor’s appointment.
   iv. Picked up boxes this weekend to donate the Veteran’s Day items; will be shipped by the end of the week.
   v. Next week is the last meeting of the semester. Regular meeting at 3:30. Will move to the multipurpose room for a banquet. Celebration of the hard work of the semester.

e. President - Gabe Cronon
   i. BSBP Meeting this weekend at Murray State University. Originally planned to discuss Higher Education Rally. However, the Governor has announced 4% cuts to higher education, which equals a 10% total cut. We will be addressing these issues this weekend. Traditionally, universities have used their own theme. This year, we have decided to use one universal theme for all of the public universities.

VII. Committee Reports
   a. University Improvements - Joe McGinnis
      i. Still looking into previously passed resolutions. Next week we will be having a finalized report on the safety walk. Also have a new resolution coming up in new business.
   b. Student Rights - Chris Tinsley
      i. Have a resolution coming up in new business, and will be meeting afterwards.
   c. Finance- Leigha Phelps
      vii. Meet afterwards.
      viii. President Cronon- Finalized list of grant recipients?
      ix. Senator Phelps- Will wait until next meeting.
   d. Constitution – Chris Ruth
      i. Please meet afterwards

VIII. Ex-Officio Reports
   a. RHA - Michael Farris
      i. No Report
   b. SBA – N/A
   c. Judicial Council – Mike Grote
      i. Swearing in of new senators next week!
      ii. President Cronon- See me afterwards. I have appointment recommendations. I Judicial and 2 senate positions open?
      iii. Chief Justice Grote- Correct. Will have formal writing of swearing in.

IX. Advisor Report(s)
   a. Associate to the Dean of Students- Steve Meier- i. No Report
   b. Dean of Students - Jeff Waple
i. Would like to clarify banner issue. Betty Mulkey had expressed concern about the banner hanging in the new building. We have been working on identifying potential areas where banners can be hung. (Entrances) Will have to develop a process on how organizations can register for those, the time, the size, how to be hung and taken down. We are working on it.

ii. Tomorrow is my 90-Day review.

iii. My family has decided to move to Cincinnati into my Mother’s house. Family will be here in the spring! I will be eating dinner with them tonight.

iv. President Cronon- We are being abandoned.

X. Old Business

XI. New Business

a. Res. 002- Senator Chaney- This resolution was drafted about a month ago. Today is World Aid’s Day. The disease is increasing, and would like to read this resolution.

b. 1st Reading

i. This issue arose at a freshman orientation. Table of items from Planned Parenthood. Pamphlets, condoms, etc. I was then asked to leave and items were confiscated. I was then arrested.

ii. Floor open for discussion- 10 minutes; 3:56 pm.

iii. Senator Phelps – 6th whereas is not necessary. The last whereas, student petition, should not be included as it is not an official SGA petition. I am currently sitting on the Code of Conduct Committee and it is being updated. The preamble specifically addresses these issues. This was one event, not a repetitive occurrence. This issue is being handled with the Code of Conduct, and do not feel this is bridging the gap between students and the administration.

iv. Senator Jones- I disagree. Fundamentalist Religious dogma is present.

v. Senator Chaney- This is a repetitive issue; Amy Wylie has deemed them inappropriate for the last 2 years. We have a new Dean and we will be revisiting this policy. She was worried about the parents’ reaction. This says to me that students’ free speech can be limited.

vi. Senator Wallace- I agree with Senator Phelps. This is pointing fingers at the administration, and Student Government should not be comfortable doing it. I think this needs to be toned down for the good of the relationship between Student Government and the administration. Also, the Office of Student Orientation is not censoring free speech. They are only concerned about the image of NKU to incoming students and families. A single student’s situation should not be brought up in this manner; is not representative of NKU as a whole.

vii. Senator S. Henry- Could combine 2nd and 3rd whereas. Recommend rewording or removing 6th whereas. 10th whereas-
insert petition done by ‘Students for change.’ Overall, the reason behind is the lack of education and prevention of the ever-increasing disease AIDS. Change the thesis to recommend UNV 101 to have education.

viii. President Cronon- Must clarify that it is not our place to recommend Academic Agendas. Please contact David Hogan, President of Faculty Senate.

ix. Vice President Reynolds- I do very must support the ideas of safe sex education, and that the facts and figures should be presented. I do not think all of the whereas are cohesive.

x. Senator Jones Motion to extend Discussion

xi. 2nd- M. Henry

xii. Vice President Reynolds- A demand is not the best way to handle this from Student Government.

xiii. Dean Waple- The 2nd to last whereas, I question you guys on whether or not it is appropriate for SGA to tell the administration what to do. If it is a violation of our code (hate speech, pornography), it will be removed. If you are going to write this you have to change this. “Inappropriate” won’t work. You have to be really definitive on what you mean here. It is protected to an extent. Certain things are not protected in our code, and you know that. I would be careful on telling the administration what to do.

xiv. Senator Ferguson- I think there is a place for this and we do need to address it. However, if it is being address in the Code of Conduct, that is where it should be addressed, rather than a resolution being handed to the administration. It looks as if we are calling them out. Maybe they were wrong, but there is a better place for it.

xv. Senator Barnett- We aren’t talking about hate speech, speech protected by supreme court decisions.

xvi. President Cronon- Clarification on the charges brought against you.

xvii. Senator Chaney- Arrested for disorderly conduct, not for passing out condoms.

xviii. President Cronon- This becomes open record. The 1st whereas states that the individual was arrested for that reason.

xix. Senator Pfingston- I want to point out, as a part of the orientation program, those students are visitors, not yet students. I agree with making safety aware, and reaching out, educating them. They are not yet students, and for us to bring that to them at that time is risky. This is not an attack- that was probably the only time I had seen this on NKU’s campus. This should be addressed all year round, not at orientation.

xx. Senator Ristic- I don’t think the University prohibits distributing contraceptives for educational purpose. However, I don’t see why we need a resolution, because if this is true, we don’t need it. I feel
like the 1st whereas is more of a ‘personal agenda.’ I do agree with freedom of speech and educational uses, but don’t think this is necessary.

xxi. Senator Jones- The University is supposed to allow freedom of speech. What is SGA for if we are not going to let the administration know what is right and wrong?

xxii. Senator Tobergta- I would motion we table this resolution so that there is more research done before we sponsor this. Appears to be more of a personal agenda, and should clarify to represent entire student body. Motion to Table.

xxiii. Second by Senator Wallace.

xxiv. 15 in favor.

xxv. 7 opposed.

xxvi. 1 abstention.

xxvii. Motion passes- will be referred to Student Rights committee for further evaluation. Will be renumbered.

c. Res. 002- 1st Reading.

i. Discussion

ii. Senator Tobergta- Would like to work with you on some language clarity, but I think this is a great resolution.

iii. President Cronon- I know you worked hard on this resolution, just would like a point of clarification. Student would have to go to parking services to receive an official NKU handicap sticker, instead of borrowing someone’s. You have done research and found there has been false use?

iv. Senator Jones- Yes.

v. Senator Phelps- I really like this resolution. If you could cite Parking Services next to the statistics.

vi. Senator S. Henry- Should clarify students with parking passes.

vii. Senator Bohl- I agree with this resolution. My question is, are we allowed to require this as a public university?

viii. Senator Jones- I’m not positive, I will look into it.

ix. Senator Creekmore- Will there be an additional cost?

x. Senator Jones- I don’t believe so.

xi. Vic President Koppenhoefer- Senator Bohl, in response to your question, in talking with Senator Jones, he explained that it was more of a recommendation that NKU students have the handicap sign on your NKU parking pass. It would not be forced, or illegal.

xii. Senator Tobergta- I sit on the Transportation Advisory Committee and work with parking services quite a bit. This has been discussed. The enforcement is going well, this resolution will help increase the enforcement, and will show recognition to those students/faculty who are handicapped.

xiii. Senator Jones- I agree. I just want to point out that just because it is restricting in some ways, it is not taking away rights. It is upholding the rights of those who deserve these spaces.
xiv. Senator Tinsley- My reservation about this is that it may infringe on the disabled’s right to medical privacy. It’s just a privacy issue.

xv. Senator Jones- That is kept confidential in disability services.

xvi. President Cronon- We are at the end of our 10 minutes. If you have friendly amendments, please let Senator Jones know. Close discussion. This is just a 1st reading.

XII. Announcements
   a. Senator Ruth- Where are the 2 open seats?
   b. President Cronon- We did not fill those seats. We will have recommendations.
   c. Senator Chaney- On resolution 002, with the friendly amendments, will I bring it back next week?
   d. President Cronon- Senate has tabled. Look at the two separate issues and clarify individual resolutions, or re-draft the resolution. Would like to remind the senate that though next week is our last meeting, we do not stop the legislative process. We can do a 1st reading next week. The freedom of speech and educational aspect is very supported, it is just the wording.
   e. Senator Tobergta- Friday night- NKU Club Hockey game against Xavier. $5 at the Northern Kentucky Ice Center. Last game we lost to Xavier, so let’s get the support out!
   f. President Cronon- Next week will be different. We will meet here, and do normal business. However, some people are departing. We will be recognizing those leaving us. We will go on to multi-purpose room where there will be a banquet. There will be free food and recognition of our grant recipients. Thank you!
   g. Vice President Koppenhoefer- It is good food!

XIII. Adjournment – 4:27 p.m.
   a. Motion by Senator Wallace
   b. Seconded by Senator Tobergta