Student Government Association
Northern Kentucky University
Meeting Agenda
11/30/09

I. Call to Order – 3:39pm
II. Roll Call
   B. Absent- Prater
   C. Guests- Dr. Votruba, Mrs. Votruba, Ramey, Wells, Wind, Sidebottom, Hodges-Moore, Davenport, St. Armand, Luse, Hershede. Louis, Johnson

III. Pledge of Allegiance
IV. Approval of the Minutes
   A. 11/09/09
      1. Motion by Senator Phelps
      2. Seconded by Senator Fulton
   B. 11/16/09
      1. Motion by Senator McCaffery
      2. Seconded by Senator Robinson
   C. 11/23/09
      1. Motion by Senator Johnson
      2. Second by Senator Fulton
   D. All Approved
V. Open Session
   A. Presidential Cabinet Introductions
      1. Kimberly Luse, Executive Asst. to President and Secretary to the Board
      2. Gerard St. Amand, Vice President of University Advancement
      3. Dr. James C. Votruba, President
      4. Rachel Votruba,
      5. Joseph Wind, Vice President of Government and Community Relations
      6. Sue Hodges Moore, Vice President of Planning, Policy and Budget
      7. Ken Ramey, Vice President of Administration and Finance
      8. Zebulun Davenport, Vice President of Student Affairs
      9. Gail Wells, Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost
     10. Sara Sidebottom, Vice President of Legal Affairs and General Counsel
     11. Katie Hereschede, two time past SGA President, Director of Government and Community Relations
   B. Presentation of 09-10 Goals to the Cabinet
C. Presentation of Honorary Resolution to Dr. James C. and Rachel Votruba for the Metropolitan Award

D. Response of Cabinet, Dr. Votruba
   1. Important for Student Government to sit down with the appropriate people on the cabinet to work to get the goals completed. Good goals and I think we can make progress on all of them this year.
   2. President Kaseke- Thank you.

E. Maggie Louis- Asked to speak on the behalf of Dennis Chaney and how he represents Student Government. Dennis was voted in for the very ground that he would rock the boat. He has given people a want to be more active on campus; he has given people hope that they can make a difference on campus. He is the voice of those who think they don’t have a voice. Someone must stand up for those who won’t stand up for themselves, and in my opinion this person is Dennis Chaney.

F. George Johnson- speaking on behalf of Dennis Chaney. Urge SGA to consider carefully the removal of Dennis Chaney. Yes Dennis has an unconventioniational style to his business dealings.

VI. Executive Board Reports
   A. Vice President of Public Relations- Wade Miller
      1. Book Grant Applications are due today by 4:30pm; around 11 have been turned in so far.
      2. The new brochure just needs a couple final touches
   B. Vice President of Student Involvement- Max Swartz
      1. Legacy fund balance $2,900
      2. One more meeting this semester
      3. Student Organization Outreach
         ii. Senator Golden, Presidential Ambassadors- Just wanted the plus/minus scale changed back.
   C. Vice President of Administration- Danielle Hawks
      1. No Report
   D. Executive Vice President- Dennis Chaney
      1. Goals and Looking Forward- Student Government is the most important organization on campus. We need to be sharing information and giving as much information to the Student Body as possible. If it affects students they should know in a timely manner. We need to keep our eye on the goal and fulfill the duty of protecting student’s rights. We are here simply to represent the ideas of the students. Students should know weeks in advance about what is on the agenda.
   E. President- K. Keith Kaseke
      1. BSBP, working on the data that we are presenting to the legislators at the Rally.
      2. Adding on to Vice President Chaney, we do have to represent the rights of students but we have to function together as one. Everyone has to function together properly. In my experience, you get more done working together rather than going against one another. We
need to remember whom we are talking to when we talk to administrators.
3. Senator Salame resigned yesterday
4. Would like to meet with all the Committee Chairs after the meeting

VII. Committee Chair Reports
A. University Improvements Committee, Chair Leigha Phelps
   1. Meet Afterwards
B. Senator Georgescu- Question about Presidents Report
   1. Was part of the constitution altered at the Board of Regents meeting?
   2. President Kaseke- That is correct
   3. Senator Georgescu- The section on impeachment?
   4. President Kaseke- That is incorrect
C. Student Rights Committee, Chair Amy VonHandorf
   1. I will present the smoking presentation next week
   2. Committee meet with me after the meeting
   3. Committee Senator updates:
      ii. Senator Golden- Working on International Student Scholarships
      iii. Senator Castillo- Make sure they are not including green card
          holders under International students. Green card holders have the
          same benefits as US citizens.
   iv. Senator Hazenfield- Working to allow student organizations to
      use businesses that sale alcohol as fundraisers.
   v. Senator Farris- example?
   vi. Senator VonHandorf- Generally it is a bar or a restaurant, not a
      liquor brand or seller.
   vii. Senator Hazenfield- Greek organizations insurance policy make it
      impossible for this to be applicable to them.
   viii. Senator Fulton- I think an example you might be looking for
      would be Skyline Tavern
D. Finance Committee, Chair Sean Henry
   1. We have received 11 applications as of 3:30pm. The Committee will
      be reviewing the applications on Wednesday 2nd, at 4:30pm in the
      Student Government Office. If you can’t make it let me know.
   2. The Finance Committee has been working on some small changes to
      the Constitution with the Student Rights Committee.

VIII. Ex-Officio Officer Reports
A. RHA, Senator Farris-
   1. Encourage all Senators to attend RHA in Callahan, at 7pm on
      Thursday.
B. Judicial Council, Chief Justice Strouss-
   1. Grievance sent out this morning in regards to the impeachment and it
      was vetoed. We will be having the hearing today at 5pm in this
      room.
   2. Senator Tinsley-The grievance was vetoed or the impeachment?
   3. Chief Justice Strouss- The grievance.
   4. Senator Georgescu- I was basically just going to ask why?
5. Chief Justice Strouss- We came to the decision that we were going to have a hearing, according to the Constitution.
6. Senator Georgescu- Even though the impeachment was unconstitutional?
7. Chief Justice Strouss- Are you talking about it being unconstitutional because it didn’t come out 24 hours in advance?
8. Senator Georgescu- No there was actually four different reasons outlined in the grievance filed.
9. President Kaseke- All those things that you cited, the Judicial Council sat down and looked it over and made a ruling. If you would like to sit down with them after the meeting and find out why they ruled the way they did, you can after the meeting.
10. Senator Barrett- I would like to ask that we have a written statement giving details as to why they ruled the way they did.
11. President Kaseke: Ok, they can do that.
12. Senator Castillo: I have clarification, so you are saying that these unconstitutional things are constitutional?
13. President Kaseke: Senator Castillo, if you would like to ask questions…
14. Senator Castillo- No it’s not a question, it’s a clarification.
15. President Kaseke- Ok, if you would like for him to clarify you can talk with him after the meeting. He will clarify on record through a written statement.
16. Senator Castillo- It’s just a yes or no, it’s not a multiple-choice question.
17. Senator Howe- I think that when the President makes an order you should respect him.
18. Senator Castillo- He interrupted my sentence
20. President Kaseke- Ok, this is how this is going to happen. No other questions pertaining to that, if you would like to question the Judicial Councils ruling you can question them after the meeting. As of right now…
21. Senator Castillo- I’m not questioning the Judicial Council.
22. President Kaseke- As of right now if you need clarification you can talk to them after the meeting.
23. Senator Castillo- After the meeting, on record?
24. President Kaseke- They will make a written statement
25. Senator Barrett- Can I ask that that written statement is here by Monday?
27. Chief Justice Strouss- I am not answering anymore questions.
28. Senator VonHandorf- Can I just make a comment as to why I submitted that?
29. President Kaseke: Sure.
30. Senator VonHandorf- Part of the reason I submitted this, whether it was constitutional or unconstitutional, I felt like there was lots of weaknesses. I feel like its something that we can fix in our Constitution. I just feel like there are so many discrepancies.

C. Legislative Liaison, Senator Tinsley-
1. No Report.

D. Faculty Senate/Staff Congress Liaison, Senator Hazenfield-
1. No Report.

IX. Advisor Reports
A. Associate to the Dean of Students, Steve Meier
1. No Report.

B. Dean of Students, Dr. Jeffery Waple
1. We need to make a decision as to when the new Constitution will be implemented. It was past by the Board on the 11th, I believe it comes from J-Council as to implementation process.
2. Executive VP Chaney- Has the Board submitted the new Constitution with amendments back to us?
3. Dean Waple- Not yet. But we need to start thinking about when we want to start implementing it. I need to see the Judicial Council prior to the hearing.

X. Old Business
XI. New Business
XII. Announcements
A. Executive VP Chaney- While reviewing different Kentucky State Statutes I do want to make the Senate aware and Danielle Hawks aware, you cannot delete any recordings, otherwise it is violation of state law.

B. Senator Mattingly- As you know the Relay for Life is coming up and I was still wondering if you all wanted to do a sponsorship?

C. Justice Henderson- This Saturday is Black & Gold Day

D. Dean Waple- The hearing will be a 5pm, allow committees to meet clear the room and then have it at five since that was what was communicated to Dennis Chaney

E. Senator Fulton- Is that an open hearing?

F. Senator Castillo- Do you have to wear nice shoes?

G. President Kaseke- You can wear what you want.

H. Senator Georgescu- Will the hearing be recorded?

I. Dean Waple- Yes it will.

XIII. Adjournment – 4:27pm
A. Motion by Senator Johnson
B. Seconded by Senator Fulton
C. Approved.