

Wittenberg University



# Student Senate

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## Student Senate Minutes

*SENATE MEETING AGENDA*

On Tuesday, April **15th, 2025** at 7:00 p.m., in the Offices of Student Senate, the Student Senate held a meeting with the following persons present:

**Call to Order/Roll Call:**

- a. *Tardus:*
- b. *in Absentia: Muhammad, Binford, Raymond, Simpson, McCans, Harper, & Burnside*

### **April 8<sup>th</sup> minutes: Approved by Peña, Second by Lowry**

**Officer Reports:**

- Carroll, President----
  - o Elections today! Please start preparing your transitions
- Peña, Vice President----
  - o Special Events Committee will approve elections tomorrow to send out the congratulatory email to elected officials!
- Bledsoe, Treasurer----
  - o Budget Allocation email was sent out today!
  - o Budgets are due the 21<sup>st</sup>
  - o Waiting on account numbers for newly approved student organizations.

- Lowry, Secretary----
  - Constitution has been fully updated on Wittenberg's website!
- Patton, Faculty Student Coordinator----
  - The next faculty is **TUESDAY, MAY 6** (in 2 weeks). Please be there or let me know ASAP if you are unavailable. Please email me ([pattonc@wittenberg.edu](mailto:pattonc@wittenberg.edu)) if you are unable to attend any of these meetings ASAP so I can find a replacement.
  - Committee Positions and Vacancies:
    - Educational Policies Committee (meets on Teams on Thursdays, 4:00-5:00)
      - Still discussing International Business program overhaul
    - The Program Review and Assessment Committee
      - Met twice to discuss the Chemistry Department's 5-year plan
    - The Athletic Policy and Recreation Committee.
    - Diversity Advisory Committee
    - Facilities and Environment Committee.
    - General Education Advisory Committee meets on Wednesdays, 1:50-2:50 (in Science 243.).
    - International and Field Studies committee:
  - President Search Committee
    - The Presidential Search Profile is live! ([Link here](#)) and candidates have applied.
    - There was an update sent out regarding the last meeting on the Wittenberg website ([Link here](#)).
    - The committee is feeling "reciprocal optimism" with the candidates.
    - More meetings have been happening this week. (Please do not share more than that).
  - Board of Directors
    - The board is optimistic about the direction of the search.
  - Honors Convocation
    - I received highly positive feedback from the professors who we highlighted (selected as those nominated for the Advisor of the Year award faculty). They thanked us for the recognition and appreciated the kind words. Would we like to continue highlighting faculty who are doing great things on campus with a weekly email shout-out?
      - [I created a Microsoft form](#) if anyone is interested in me continuing this.
- Pipinich, 2025 Class Representative----
  - Class t-shirts have arrived! They will be available at senior salute.
  - If you ordered your cap and gown at the event, they are available for pick up at the bookstore.
  - Senior Salute is April 17<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm (arrive by 4)
  - Senior class picture with honorary class members

- o Pick up indoor commencement tickets (7) and philanthropy cords (need ID to pick up tickets)
  - o Tickets are not needed for outdoor ceremony (only if moved inside)
- Hehman, 2025 Class Representative----
  - o Email was sent out reminding students of Senior Salute!
    - i. Instructions on how to pick up graduation tickets if they are unable to attend
  - o Sending out an email after Thursday reminding students to fill out the Handshake survey for their Senior Send-Off drink and t-shirt.
  - o Pip and I began to hand out honorary class member certificates and invitations today.
- Pantalone, Public Relations
  - o No report.
- Muhammad, Diversity---
  - o Springfield is hosting a minority health fair from 10am to 1pm on April 26th.
    - a. It is being hosted at 1700 Clifton Avenue Springfield Ohio near the middle school, there will be free health supplies.
- Livingston, Diversity---
  - o Creativity, Connections, and Culture event (Cami Stevovich hosted)
    - i. Insightful event; people were receptive.
    - ii. Mixture of Witt students and Haitian community members.
  - o Mi Gente
    - i. Latin Dance Night Event
      - a. April 16<sup>th</sup> (Tomorrow!), 6:00 to 7:00 pm.
      - b. Will be taught by the Mi Gente president and a friend.
    - ii. Carne Asada event
      - a. Hosted April 26<sup>th</sup>, from 12 to 3 pm.
      - b. Location is outside McClain
      - c. Open to everyone (Similar to CBS cookout hosted every year).

- o DAC next meeting
    - i. Will be discussing selection of a new Study Abroad Director.
    - ii. Talk about MLK Convocation 2026.
- Archer, Student Organizations ----
  - Katie had her last day in office 4/1
  - The student involvement office has been divided up amongst a few people:
    - Day to Day Operations- Kristina Bryant Reed
    - P Card Management - Paige Jackson
      - o To reserve the P Card, fill out the form like you normally would. Then you will email Paige to set up a time to pick it up. She only works Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9AM-12PM. If you cannot meet during that time, it will be at ***her discretion*** of when she is available to meet you to get the card.
      - o The last day to reserve the P Card will be April 30th. All receipts must be returned to Paige by Friday, May 2nd.
    - Recreation and Club Sports - Brady Ramsey
      - o All club and recreation sports equipment needs to be turned back in, and inventory given to Brady by May 5th.
    - Student Organization Questions - Peyton Archer
      - o All student orgs need to have their officer transitions turned in through the officer transition form ([linked here](#)) by 5/5.
      - o Student org budgeting information will be sent out soon. Watch for an email from Dylan Bledsoe and Joi Garrett Scales for more information.
    - Witt's Happening and Promotion - Izzy Selby
    - Witt Late Night - Emme Cunningham
    - Greek Life - Joi Garrett Scales
    - Student Leadership Awards - Danyelle Hughes
    - Greek Week - Kristina Bryant Reed/Katie depending on baby arrival
    - WittFest - Kristina Bryant Reed

- Mario Kart Live - Kylee Butler
- Cram Jam - Ashlee Cooke
- Union Board Meetings - Kristina Bryant Reed
- Lots of Presentations
- Student Org ceremony in Weaver chapel from 7-8 4/9
- Mario Kart Live
  - o There was a pretty good turn out for the event.
- Organization transition form is being sent out next Monday and will close on May 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Binford, Residence Hall Association----
  - o No Report.
- Raymond, Witten'burbs
  - o No Report.
- Simpson, Fraternity and Sorority Life ----
- Anderson, Interfaith ----
  - o Crop Walk on Saturday (4/12) was a success! We exceeded our goal for fundraising (\$1,500) and had over 40 participants including donors and walkers
- McCans, Student Athletics Senator ----
  - o No Report.
- Harper, Class Representative 2026----
  - o No Report.
- Burnside, Class Representative 2026----
  - o No Report.
- Monroe, Class Representative 2027----
  - o No Report.
- Werner, Class Representative 2027----
  - o No Report.
- Clark, Class Representative 2028----

- o Schiff and Clark would still like to do Gen Z trivia, planning to hold this in Founders or the Games Room.
- Schiff, Class Representative 2028----
  - o No Report.
- Garrett Scales, Advisor
  - o A reminder to RSVP for the commencement events coming up!
  - o As we wrap, make sure you are saving things in the official Student Senate Teams folder so that processes, documents, etc are not being lost in transition.
  - o Always reach out if you have questions ([scalesj@wittenberg.edu](mailto:scalesj@wittenberg.edu)).
  - o Athletic Clubs update:
    - i. Gwen Owen and Joi met with athletics to discuss the incorporation of Intramural Club Level Sports. There is a proposal for the May Board Meeting to create a new club athletics division to create a new Club Athletics Director.

### **Committee Reports:**

- I. Peña, Special Events----
  - a. No Report.
- II. Bledsoe, Finance----
  - a. No Report.
- III. Carroll, Student Life----
  - a. No Report.

### **Open Forum**

- Clark
  - o There are adjusted hours for Friday 4/18 for dining services.

**Old Business:**

**New Business:**

**Announcements:**

- Student Senate Celebration Dinner will be 5:45pm on Thursday May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- The last choir concerts is in the Chapel on May 4<sup>th</sup> and the last Band Concert is Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- The Nearly Naked Mile is April 26<sup>th</sup> 10am-12pm.

**Adjournment:**

- a. Motion to adjourn: Pena
- b. Second: Lowry
- c. Time: 7:38 PM