

SLATE KERNS PLATFORM

(New Ideas in Bold)

“Building a Stronger Community for Tomorrow”

President (Candidate Matthew Kerns)

- Make SGA more accessible and transparent to all students.
- Foster a campus and community relationship through campus events.
- Act as a liaison between students and administration.
- Act as a delegate to other student organizations in order to coordinate multi-organization events such as concerts and other special events.
- Use SGA funds in a more efficient and useful manner to the benefit of all students.
- Create a Student Forum modeled off of the Faculty Forum where students can present their work and get feedback from others.
- Donate surplus funds from the SGA budget to buy books for the library.
- Inform campus of ideas discussed at Board of Trustee Meetings.
- Continue hosting the annual President's dinner.
- Serve as the official representative of the SGA to the Board of Trustees, the college administration, the faculty, the college community, and the public.
- Preside at all Executive Council and Senate meetings.
- Sign all Senate legislation.
- Review, approve, and sign all contracts involving the SGA.
- Serve as an ex-officio, non-voting member of all SGA committees.

Vice Presidential (Candidate Ryan Trunk)

- Oversee the creation of an SGA Diversity chair, who would work with the Diversity Office to promote campus-wide speakers and workshops on diversity.
- Review Platform goals at the beginning of our term, and report regularly to SGA on their progress.
- Require Senators to bring a friend to an SGA meeting once a semester to encourage campus-wide participation.
- Work with student organizations to promote senator and student attendance at campus events such as athletics, plays, concerts, and Displays of academics and art.
- Preside at all meetings of the executive council and executive committee.
- Assume all duties of the SGA president when the President is absent.
- Assume the office of the President if the office becomes vacant.

- Oversee, plan, and coordinate the annual VolleyRock event.

Secretary (Candidate Adam Leech)

- Re-Instate senator birthdays (i.e. giving out candy and such for one's birthday).
- Reorganize the SGA office.
- Put all minutes into binded books, and then store them efficiently in the SGA office.
- Update the website by creating a place where every student organization is listed with a description.
- Email all SGA minutes after every meeting to the entire campus.
- Create an SGA folder for the entire campus so that they can put ideas into it from their computer.
- Work to keep website updated.
- Take pictures during SGA sponsored events to post on our website.
- Serve as corresponding secretary for SGA.
- Take roll, tally votes and serve as secretary of the senate.
- Take and distribute minutes of the senate.
- Take minutes at all executive council and executive committee meetings.
- Perform all other duties normally assigned to the secretary.
- Take pictures of all new Senators and post them on the website.

Treasurer (Candidate Sherri Breitigan)

- Redistribute funds (focusing on Plant Fund).
- Update Senate weekly on spending of the various chairs.
- Hold seminar for chairs on how to maintain a budget.
- Create and maintain budget.
- Keep Senate updated on budget.
- Sit in on Finance Committee meetings.

Financial Chair (Candidate Akesha N. Joseph)

- Meet with the Treasurer and President of each organization in order to go over budget strategizing and auditing at the beginning of each semester
- Meet at the end of semester with Treasurer's of organizations and Finance Committee and review audits for the semester as well as conduct redistributions
- Continue to work with area businesses to provide titan card swipers within the community
- Review current guidelines and procedures for finance committee
- Audit SGA
- Be responsible for allocations of SGA funds for organizations

- Audit organizations that receive SGA funds

Public Relations (Candidate Stephanie Martin)

- Contribute monthly articles to local newspapers about SGA events.
- Work closely with Titan Radio, The County Line, the seasonal alumni magazine and the Holcad to advertise SGA events.
- Ensure weekly Holcad articles are written so student body knows SGA undertakings.
- Work with PR chairs and officers in other student organizations to ensure that the student body knows all available campus activities.
- Create more publicity for SGA screen name on Instant Messenger for Students to send comments/questions.
- Create a direct link to the SGA website under the Student Services tab on the main page of the Westminster College website.
- Provide a description of all student organizations in the SGA website.
- Post list of senators that live in each dormitory and publish complete list of senators so student body knows who they are.
- Use Facebook as a means of announcing SGA events.
- Generate more PR during Fresh Start to inform incoming students of the purpose of SGA including new activity to replace Singled Out.
- Form relationships with other PR groups for efficiency.
- Mail SGA Information to upcoming first year/transfer students and student organizations.
- Continue weekly issue of "The Toilet Paper."
- Continue to organize Senator of the Month.
- Continue SGA day once a semester.
- Continually update SGA bulletin board with activities and accomplishments.
- Continue to give rewards for "Senator of the Month."
- Responsible for all publicity for the SGA and other duties assigned.

Judicial Chair (Candidate Kial Vidic)

- Look into creating a student travel board.
- Establish effective "Time of the Month" sessions.
- Create a Student Bill of Rights.
- Continue working with the plant to get more trash cans around campus.
- Continue meeting with food advisory committee and Jeff Creveling.
- Administrate the elections of new executive members and new senators.
- Continue to handle all non-academic issues concerning the student body.
- Attend New Wilmington borough meetings on monthly basis.

- Continue to deal with all matters pertaining to the Constitution and By-Laws.

Special Events (Candidate Ashley Carnahan)

- Orchestrate a shopping/iceskating trip to Pittsburgh around the holidays .
- Organize a bussing system to transport students to various locations each month: (The Waterfront, Downtown Pittsburgh, Station Square, Pittsburgh Mills, Funny Bone Comedy Club, etc.).
- Plan several sporting events throughout the year (Pittsburgh/Ohio college and professional teams).
- Orchestrate a winter tubing/boarding/skiing trip.
- In addition to Phantom Fright Night, plan a Kennywood trip in late spring.
- Work closely with other campus organizations for both weekday and weekend on and off campus activities.
- Orchestrate SGA events at Westminster Sporting events such as hot dog eating and ice cream sundae making contests.
- Plan the New York trip.
- Organize an all-campus dance.
- Plan on and off campus events.
- Organize the Friday homecoming events (including dinner and dance).
- Plan and Coordinate several trips to off campus sites.

Academics Chair (Candidate Lee Scott)

- Hold student representatives accountable for reporting to Standing Faculty Committees, Councils and Boards.
 - Create a document streamlining the reporting of events at said committees.
- Press for greater recognition of the College Honors Program in order to encourage students to elect Honors.
 - Assist in organizing the Honors students across classes in a group.
- Provide a more visible SGA presence throughout finals week as a service to the students.
 - Have coffee or other refreshments available every night in the tub throughout finals week.
- Publicize and attract attention to academics on campus such as the Henderson Lecture and Christy Lecture and other events bringing in academic achievement such as departmental colloquiums.
 - Create a calendar outlining these opportunities
 - Determine what role SGA can play in increasing the awareness and growth of these opportunities.
- Publicize to the campus community opportunities for academic growth.

- **Seek to encourage and support undergraduate research in all ways possible through all majors.**
- **Work to lengthen Library hours with goals of an additional hour at night each week, three more hours on Saturday, and an earlier opening on Sundays.**
- Continue organizing “Who’s Who.
- Hold elections for the student representative positions on Standing Faculty Committees, Councils, and Boards.
- Orchestrate College Bowl.
- Deal with all academic issues which concern the student body.