San Antonio Higher Education Representative Assembly
September 6th, 2016 – Alamo Colleges District Offices
Minutes

I. Call to Order: 6:46pm

II. Approval of the Minutes
   a. William moved to approve minutes
      i. Hannah seconds the motion
      ii. Approved
   b. Present
      i. Northwest Vista
      ii. Trinity
      iii. Palo Alto
      iv. SAC
      v. UTSA
      vi. St. Mary’s
      vii. IUW

III. Chairman’s Report
   a. Research found that there is another organization like ours that consists of university presidents
   b. Presentation of the Higher Education Council of San Antonio (HECSA) by their Chairperson, Dr. Ric Baser.
      i. Been here for 26 months
      ii. HECSA Chairman
      iii. What can they do as an entity?
      iv. SAHERA Representation in HECSA
      v. Panel to obtain student feedback
      vi. Find some folks hat you respect because it’ll help you
      vii. Developing a scholarship
      viii. Become a portal from the mayor
      ix. Get involved

IV. Committee Reports
   a. National Voter Registration Committee
      i. Sept 27th
      ii. College campus across America get together to vote
      iii. Formed alliance with MOVE San Antonio
         1. Logistics
      iv. Will be present in all the colleges
      v. What does each campus need for NVRD?
      vi. Campuses look at the Google Form
vii. Partnership with Move SA
viii. YOU are the facilitator
ix. You need to be deputized in order to register people to vote
x. You don’t need to be deputized to volunteer
xi. Deputation Days
   1. Sat Sept 10th 10am, 6pm
   2. Tues Sept 13th 10am, 6pm
   3. @UTSA Thursday Sept 15th, 5pm
   4. Wednesday Sept 7th, UIW “JELE MABEE Library Special Collections Room”, 12pm
xii. Class Raps
   1. UTSA
   2. NWV
xiii. Party at The Block (by UTSA in front of Prado Student Living) after NVRD, 6pm
xiv. The more volunteers you have, the better turnout

V. Representative Reports
   a. Northwest Vista College
      i. Working to recruit members
      ii. Student Involvement Fair
      iii. SGA is small
      iv. Keep clean
   b. Our Lady of the Lake University
      i. Absent
   c. Palo Alto College
      i. Club Rush
      ii. Recruiting Senators
      iii. Working to get deputized
      iv. Mixer with Administration
      v. Meeting with college President
   d. San Antonio College
      i. Weeks of welcome
      ii. Club showcase
      iii. SGA is there for their students
      iv. Meeting with their president once a month
      v. Planning a charity ball
      vi. Interclub Olympics
      vii. Work together
e. St. Mary’s University
   i. 10 spots open for senators
   ii. Filled spots
   iii. House of Representatives for those who can’t make meetings
   iv. 10 spots
   v. 20-25 students
   vi. Induction ceremony today
   vii. Retreat this weekend
   viii. First ever
      ix. Meeting with the dean of students and Provost
   x. Involved with MOVE
   xi. Town halls with students
      1. Surveying students
      2. Issues

f. St. Phillip’s College
   i. Absent

g. Texas A&M – San Antonio
   i. Absent

h. Trinity University
   i. Calendar year terms
   ii. Forums
   iii. Master Plan
   iv. Dining Study
   v. Tobacco-free forum
   vi. Diversity on campus

i. University of Texas at San Antonio
   i. First General Meeting
   ii. Keep all these new people
   iii. Stay in the organization, you will go far
   iv. NVRD
   v. Civic engagement week. The week of NVRD
   vi. Get Latino students engaged in NVRD
   vii. Latino Politics
   viii. First debate watch party
   ix. Geofilter for NVRD
   x. The great debate
      1. Students can discuss controversial political topics
   xi. Blue and Orange Madness
      1. Party on campus
      2. Get on shuttles
3. Party at the Alamodome
4. WE WON first game
5. Students pay for their own tailgate

j. University of the Incarnate Word
   i. Went on retreat
      1. Was awesome
   ii. Fall and Spring planning
   iii. What to do with budget
   iv. UIW Light the Way
      1. Looking to buy a large tree and light it up for students
         2. Hot chocolate
   v. Student Organization fair
      1. Recruited
   vi. President has been removed
   vii. Former provost is interim president of UIW
   viii. First home game
   ix. Have a tailgate spot
   x. The general assembly will meet next Tuesday
   xi. Prepare for NVRD
   xii. Get update about community service
   xiii. Working with senator Jose
      1. Looking to host a professional student forum
      2. Looking to do it this fall
      3. All college campuses
      4. Meet elected officials
      5. Get internship
      6. What would be a good time to host it?

VI. Old Business
   • None

VII. New Business
   a. Forming a High School Leadership Summit
      i. Be thinking about this in your institution
      ii. Help high school students make the transition to higher education
   b. What are some ideas to improve our time together?
      i. Throw some ideas that SAHERA can work out
      ii. Get speakers in our meetings
      iii. Get connections to pass on to our SGA then forward to our student body
      iv. Do not lose college reports
      v. Share leadership building activities
vi. Facebook Page
vii. End of the year social or by semester
viii. Public Relations Officer
ix. We need a website
x. City committee?
xi. Nonprofit?

xii. Being a city committee would change SAHERA a lot
   1. Selected by city council
   2. Goes by districts
   3. How does higher education fit in with city government?
      a. We are able to help the city of san Antonio with student input in issues that affect our campuses.
      b. We represent over one billion dollars in economic impact

xiii. How do we want to identity ourselves?

xiv. Motion laid on the floor to create a sub-committee to investigate becoming a city committee.
   1. Amulya seconds the motion
   2. Discussion
      a. It’s more important to have facts than to put opinions out
      b. Jamie had presented the facts and SAHERA decided to wait
      c. Know the details beforehand
      d. Scientific Method
      e. Get information about becoming a City committee and a non-profit
      f. Present the information

xv. Vote to move
   1. Northwest Vista
      a. Yes
   2. Palo Alto
      a. Yes
   3. San Antonio College
      a. Yes
   4. St. Mary’s
      a. Yes
   5. Trinity
      a. Yes
   6. University of Texas at San Antonio
      a. Yes
   7. University of the Incarnate Word
xvi. St Mary’s (Luis) for sub-committee
xvii. Motion to adjourn
   1. UTSA Moved
   2. Approved

VIII. Open Discussion
   a. Possible: How do you increase recruitment and retention in your SGA?

IX. Announcements
   a. Emails; Chairperson.SAHERA@gmail.com, Secretary.SAHERA@gmail.com

X. Adjournment: 8:21pm