Student Government Association General Assembly
October 18, 2007

I. Call to Order
   a. Meeting is called to order at 5:37 pm.

II. Roll Call
   a. Quorum is established.

III. Reading & Approval of Minutes
   a. Minutes for October 11, 2007 are approved as corrected.

IV. Open Forum

V. Executive Officers Reports
   a. President
      i. Dallas Trip was a good success. Thanks to John M. and Charlin Jones.
         1. UT Dallas - Food Drive and Breast Cancer Awareness Walk
         2. Roundtable Discussions
         3. UT Arlington, University of North Texas, UT Dallas
         4. Mobile Campus – had open dialogue with these schools.
         5. Cardboard Hut Canned Food Drive
   b. Vice President
      i. Great time on the trip. - Final report to come later.
      ii. UTSA has Talent – Faculty & Staff. Christina will be emcee.
      iii. LeaderFund was created to give money to organizations.
           Christina, as Vice President and former Treasurer, the organization should go through the channels for LeaderFund.
   c. Treasurer
      i. Approved $750 to Hispanic Student Association for a World Cultural Forum.
   d. Secretary
      i. Please keep in mind that you are elected to represent students.
         Please make it to all meetings- General Assembly and Committees.
   e. Executive Senator
      i. Met with the Chancellor of University of Arkansas for the NCAA Recertification for Athletics.
      ii. Met with Pam Bacon and Transportation Services – trying to get Student Committee formed.
      iii. Senator Meetings – Jaime needs to speak to Senators about roles and goals for SGA.

VI. Standing Committee Reports
   a. Academic Affairs
      i. Trip was ‘a great success’. They spoke to many administrators.
      ii. Meeting with JPL administrators tomorrow about the upcoming changes.
      iii. All schools are having the same concern with professors having a heavy accent.
   b. Business Affairs
i. Dallas Trip
   1. "An informative blast"
   2. These schools all had Aramark and had chain restaurants on campus.
   3. UT Arlington – put emergency numbers on back of student identifications.
   4. UT Dallas has a huge SGA banner. We need this.

   c. Student Affairs
      1. Trip was "fantastic."
      2. UT Arlington & UT Dallas each have different systems for a campus attorney.
      3. Discussed the Safe Ride Program.
      4. Doug Chan – met with Residence Hall President about internet concerns. The Hall Council has an ad hoc committee for this issue. Would like SGA support to help them out. PR committee will also help. We need facts and statistics to get any progress on this issue.
      5. Peepholes at Chaparral → the change will be looked into.
      6. PrintSmart → too much work to go into each account to change is number. Most pages go to faculty & staff and money pays for toner.

   d. University Advancement
      1. Do not come into SGA office with other campus apparel.
      2. Successful trip to Dallas.
         1. UNT has many trees and statues and art.
         2. UT A is where UTSA will be in a few years. Has more places to study.
         3. UT D has a community garden. They got a $10 million grant for Campus Beautification. Also working to get gear out in the community.
         4. Meeting with Pam Bacon soon.
         5. We may be able to get lumber for picnic tables.
         6. Athletics Committee – timeline of the football feasibility is beginning to change. Someone can buy the gear and give them to other places for showing.
         7. We are part of the Arbor Day Society – we are getting Bald Cypress trees.

   VII. Committee & Senator Reports
      a. Kort Jackson – Webmaster
         1. Progress on website is going well.
         2. Website links will be posted soon.
         3. Trying to launch a SGA forum.
         4. Creating a Website Committee.
         5. Creation of New Request forms.

      b. Jorge Almanza – Dallas Trip
         1. Small details can add a lot to the look of campus.
         2. Acknowledges Tommy on his leadership as President.

   VIII. Advisor Reports
      a. John Kaulfus
i. Take care of grades.
ii. Homecoming - art contest.
iii. Homecoming is March 1.
iv. Open House for the new University Center.
v. Has received numerous calls from colleagues from the Universities we visited on how impressed they were with UTSA SGA.

b. John Montoya
   i. Dallas trip was great.
   ii. College of Business is hosting an event. They have scholarships available.
   iii. Still spots available for Student Leadership Conference in Houston.

IX. Unfinished Business
   a. Motion to allocate $350.00 from the FIRE fund to support the Secular Student Alliance Rally.
   b. Allocation of Fees for Promotional SGA T-shirts
      i. Tomi moves to remove this from the table.
      ii. Seconded.
      iii. Ahmed moves to vote.
      iv. Seconded.
         1. Passed.
      v. Allocation of fees passes with a vote 23 for and 1 abstention.

X. New Business
   a. Ahmed moves to have SGA look into the allocation of funds of $200 for the Darfur Week Event for UNICEF.
      i. Seconded
      ii. Ahmed moves to put forth, as emergency legislation, the above motion.
      iii. Seconded
      iv. 24 senators present – 21 voted for the emergency legislation.
   b. Ahmed moves to have SGA look into the allocation of funds of $200 for the Darfur Week Event for UNICEF.
      i. Ahmed moves to amend his motion to have SGA allocate $200 for the Darfur Week Event for UNICEF in contingent on SGA finding a new room.
         1. Seconded
         2. Amendment passes.
      ii. Vanessa moves to end discussion and vote.
         1. Seconded
         2. Passes
         3. The motion as amended passes
            a. For- 20; Against- 4; Abstentions- 0
   c. Ahmed moves to have Business Affairs look into the extended hours of the Recreational Facility.
      i. Seconded.
      ii. Passes.
   d. Tudor moves to have Student Affairs look into extending the rental time for multimedia items from two days to seven days. Sponsored by Tomi.
      i. Seconded.
ii. Passes.
   e. Jorge moves to have Student Affairs look into putting more emphasis on promoting basketball games on campus.
      i. Seconded.
      ii. Motion Passes – one vote against.

XI. Announcements
   a. Best Fest is on Friday October 26.
   b. UTSA Blood Drive – October 22.
   c. Police Department will be engraving laptops.
   d. SGA Intramural Indoor Soccer.

XII. Adjournment
   a. Adjourned at 7:10 pm.