Student Government Association
October 4, 2012
General Assembly Minutes

I. Call to Order
   A. 5:30pm

II. Reading and Approval of Minutes
   A. Approved

III. Invited Guests
   A. Porcsha Presley - Candidate for Ms. UTSA 2012
   B. Ryan Kirmse Model UN Group

IV. Open Forum
   A.

V. Executive Officer Reports
   A. President – Xavier Johnson
      a. Fee Waivers Resolution
      b. State of the University Address - thank you for all who attended
      c. Will start coordinating meetings with local representatives, especially those running in the November 6th Elections
      d. Student Government Retreat - went really well!
      e. 2012-2013 Student Government Goals
      f. Good luck to everyone taking the LSAT this weekend
   B. Vice President – Charles Miles
      a. Will be sending out the Retreat Goals
      b. Will post or put the committee postings in the office
      c. Intramural SGA Flag Football team - if people are interested
      d. Tabling Sign Up - will make a list for people to table
      e. Weekly Tabling - alternating twice a week
      f. Meeting Barbara Smith from Advising – Exec Director of Advising
   C. Treasurer – Darnell Thomas
      a. Finance Committee Wednesday at 4
   D. Secretary – Andie Watson
      a. Spoke with Dean Price at the Meet and Greet and he referred me to Louis Keefe who has agreed to meet with Merced and I on Monday to discuss the Farmers Market
      b. Seat Vacancies: 1 Engineers, 4 COHED, 1 Honors, 1 Undeclared, 1 Sophomore, 1 Sciences
      c. Permanent Committee List
E. Executive Senator - Harrison Pierce
   a. Retreat- new member handbook- electronic version
   b. Survey- professionalism and working with senators
   c. Kudos from previous week
   d. Dodgeball
F. Chief of Staff – Verlinda Wilkerson
   a. 
VI. Advisor Reports
   A. John Montoya
      a. The debate watch party went really well
      b. Golf Cart Parade will be in place of the meeting, make sure you come or it is an absence. We need to make sure that we have a great event! You need to sign-in, it is your responsibility. Get your other organizations involved and get them to get a cart.
   B. Barry McKinney
      a. None
   C. John Kaulfus
      a. None
VII. Standing Committee Reports
   A. Academic Affairs – Rosalyn Huff
      a. Meet with Joe DeCristoforo Assistant Vice President and University Registrar today regarding the course availability and scheduling committee GRIP (Graduation Rate Improvement Plan)
      b. Looking to present at the next SGA meeting or the following
      c. Quick Survey
      d. COLFA Senators need to meet regarding plans for advising
      e. Next meeting on Thursday at 4pm
   B. Business Affairs – Zack Dunn
      a. •“Lunch with SGA” ARAMARK will not fund this SGA event but we have multiple locations to table there for the future.
      b. •Bauerle and Ximenes Garages have 15 minute parking. Only “guarded” garages have this option / You can only upgrade one tier with passes
      c. •Parking and Traffic Committee: Duality issue to be discussed because it affects such a large portion of people
      d. Committee Meeting Time: 5pm in the SGA Office
   C. University Advancement – Diana Cuervo (Alex)
a. Roadrunner statue! My committee came up with question to survey students and answer choices. I will meet with Montoya and Barry soon hopefully to discuss our options there.

D. Student Affairs- Jerome Scott
a. University Committee Appointments
b. Smoking Concerns
c. Reviewed Policy
d. Ideas for increasing population for Game Day
e. Best Fest October 26th- Sign up sheet

VIII. Committee and Senator Reports

A. Public Relations – Victoria Steele
a. Get in contact with officers of other organizations
b. Coordinate a panel for visits with other organizations
c. October newsletter

B. Public Relations – Travis Merriweather
a.

C. Marketing Director- Emily Gavlick
a.

D. Marketing Director- Brian Smith
a. Made some banners for golf cart parade that are already up on the school TV's

E. Go Green Committee- Merced Carbajal
a. Campus Gardens- Organizing Location and coordination for future implementation.
b. Bestfest Greenest Booth Contest.
c. Weigh the Waste Campaign with Aramark at the Roadrunner Cafe

F. Legislative Affairs- Austin Hagee & Danny Khalil
a. Wrap Up of First Debate Watch Party
b. Reminder of Upcoming Debates and Election Night Watch Party

F. F.I.R.E. Chair- Krystal Nicholson
a. potential roles that they (Senators, Chairs and Members) can have on Thursday October 18 & Friday October 19.

G. Website Director- Dan Rossiter
a. Keep looking out for the website release this upcoming week!

H. Downtown Affairs Committee- Harrison Pierce
a. Had first meeting - working on collaborating with other committees on issues that deal specifically with DT
b. Next Meeting - Wednesday, October 10th@ 5pm, DT Campus
c. If interested in being apart of DT Affairs Committee - talk to me after GA or email/text

IX. Unfinished Business
A. New Business
   A. Financial Support of the Hazlewood Exemption Act- Tabled

XI. Announcements
   A. Galia Latina- See Salina after meeting to attend
   B. Young Dems, attend event and “like” it on facebook
   C. There is another vacancy- Junior, tell your friends!
   D. “Like” Bryan Mannus’ facebook page for Mr. UTSA
   E. Tailgating party on Saturday- decorating party
   F. Don’t forget to sign up for best fest

XII. Adjournment

A. Meeting adjourned
   a. 6:38pm