STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINUTES

February 5, 2015

I. Call to Order
5:33 PM

II. Reading and Approval of Minutes
A. Approved

III. Invited Guests
A. Velie Sando, UC Programs – Rowdy Gras 15
   i. February 17th, Parade starts at 10:30am
B. Cole Whitmore, SGA Secretary – Email Etiquette

IV. Open Forum

V. Executive Officer Reports
A. President - Zack Dunn
   i. DREAM Act in trouble
   ii. New SGA Constitution Timeline
       • Email to be going out soon
   iii. Who is Beverley Constable?
   iv. Greek President’s Council Meeting
   v. B-Cycle Meeting went well with Jared Cruz-Aedo
   vi. Last UTSSAC meeting with Jeff Schilder
   vii. SAHERA meeting coming up in a couple of weeks
   viii. Torch meeting on Monday
   ix. Working with ESL Office to address some concerns
   x. Via Transit Meet-up at the Block on March 5th.
B. Vice President - Christian Kenney
   i. Open Forum with VPBA Candidates
       • Monday February 9th 1:30 - 2:30 JPL Assembly Room, 4.04.22
       • Thursday February 12th 1:30 - 2:30 JPL Assembly Room, 4.04.22
   ii. What is a VPBA?
   iii. 24/7 Valero Cornerstore is a potential new UTSA building with study space on top
   iv. Purchasing ads in the Paisano potentially to advertise SGA and the elections
C. Treasurer - Ileana Gonzalez
   i. Day at the Capitol is next Wednesday
      • Be at the Convocation Center at 7:00am
      • Alumni will be paying for transportation
      • The President’s Office will be paying for breakfast & lunch
      • SGA spends $0 on this event
   ii. Diploma Dash - Saturday, April 4th at 8:00am
      • 2 teams of 5 people
      • $15 per person = $150 total (Allocated $225)
      • See Ileana after the meeting to sign up
   iii. Black Heritage Banquet - We will not be attending
   iv. It is on a Thursday at 6:00pm, interferes with General Assembly
   v. Expenses:
      • Food GA $37.44
      • Membership Committee $15 window paint
   vi. LeaderFUNDs:
      • Business Student Council submitted description of event again
         i. Approved and sent back to Student Activities
         ii. $500
• Delta Sigma Pi LeaderFUND passed for $750
• Young & Misguided passed for $141

vii. New LeaderFUNDS:
• Historic Preservation Association
• Sigma Alpha Chi
• Phi Sigma Pi

D. Secretary- Cole Whitmore
i. Student Council Conference: March 21st in the BB University Room from 10am-4pm
ii. Theater initiative: Lucy Morales is making an action plan
• Potential resolution
iii. Upcoming events:
• Leadership Takeover - February 7
• Fiesta Info Meetings - February 9-13
• UTSA Day at the Capitol - February 11

E. Executive Senator – Conor Harvey
i. Deans Plan
ii. Ideas/Help: Email Conor.HarveySGA@gmail.com; Office Hour by appointment
iii. Committee Chairs and their place: Remember that GA and Committee Meetings are your
time to bring forward initiatives. Remember that SGA is a bottom-up organization rather
than top-down.
iv. Continuing to send reminder emails
v. Dodgeball passed from Lauren Lopez to
vi. If there is somebody that you feel deserves Member of the Month for January email
   Conor

F. Chief of Staff – Jaswanth Kintada
i. UCAC Meeting last Friday!
   • Discussed fees and finalized budget for 2015-2016
   • Poster ($ through UC) → Reduced from $40 to $24
ii. Scheduled to meet with James Stracthan, Head of Transportation at UTSA
   • Introducing the idea of transporting freshmen to local grocery stores during the
     first few weeks of school
   • Hillary Klingman, Assistant Director for BAS is looking into this project by
     directing the transportation unit
iii. Need to address JPL hours on Friday-Sat (Extend to 12AM)
iv. Congratulations to all the new Green Fund nominees
v. Report system is still up and running

VI. Committee Chairs
A. Steven Rodriguez – Academic Affairs
i. Meeting with Dr. Michel
   • Department Chair - History Department
   • Textbook Standardization
   • Dr. Michel will meet with his faculty council then get back to us
ii. Spoke with Dr. Calder
   • Department Chair - Political Science Department
   • Textbook Standardization
   • Already in place for their core classes
iii. Meeting with Dr. Pizzola
   • Revisions to the WRC 1013 & 1023 curriculum
   • Monday (2/9) at 1 pm

B. Darius Brown – Student Affairs
i. Rec Tabling date (Monday 2/16/15 at 2:00 pm)
ii. Meeting with Rowdy Radio Executives
   • The budget is in, now to continue the process
iii. Meeting with Dan Gockley (February 10th at 8:30 am)
iv. Men’s basketball game tonight vs. FIU
v. 37 athletes in 2015 football signing class (Program Record)

C. Jeff Schilder – Business Affairs
   i. Next meeting Wednesday, 2/18 at 2pm in Oak Room
   ii. Meeting with BAS on Wednesday
   iii. Shuttles to Walmart, HEB, etc
   iv. Cafe lines shutting down early
   v. Parking and Traffic Committee meeting rescheduled from February 11 to February 18
   vi. Meeting with Dr. McKinney about Discount cards rescheduled to Monday at 2:30
   vii. Contacted UTSAPD about smoking in between BB and MH
   viii. Contacted Facilities about various concerns
        • Still waiting on responses from both
   ix. Reached out to Pam Bacon to find out about what’s been going on with crosswalk repainting

VII. Appointments
A. Jared Cruz-Aedo – Social Media Director
   i. Filing has been tweeted out
   ii. ULA Nominations are being tweeted out next week
   iii. Meeting with Joe Decristoforo about the loss of May-mesters at UTSA

B. Savin Weerasinghe and Kalin Sittler – Membership Directors
   i. Windows are getting neater
   ii. Next Tuesday at 1pm: February love and Hot Topics
   iii. SGA Poster (next week Tuesday at 1pm)
   iv. Send any designs through e-mail or GroupMe
   v. Rodeo February 20
   vi. House of Cards get-together February 27

C. Lauren Lopez and Elizabeth Ayala – ULA Directors
   i. Nominations due March 6th

VIII. Advisor Reports
A. John Montoya
   i. In order for SGA to go far, we need to work together and be in sync

B. Barry McKinney
   i. The Paisano is a great tool for student leaders to learn about their campus
   ii. National Signing Day: 37 Football and 11 Soccer
   iii. Shelly Deats is departing UTSA
   iv. Bridge of Love event on February 14th, tickets are $5

IX. Old Business
A. None

X. New Business
A. Green Fund Nominations
   i. Ashley Pollock - Appointed
   ii. Anna Edge - Appointed
   iii. Chris Adkinson – Not present

B. Justice Nomination
   i. Ghada Ghannam - Appointed

C. In-House Election
   i. Courtney Holliday for University College - Elected

XI. Announcements
A. Cole Whitmore – Courtney Holliday and Robert Lopez, please come see me
B. Christian Kenney – What date would work best for the Spring Retreat? February 21st or the 28th?
   i. Retreat will be the 28th
C. John Montoya – Attire for Day at the Capitol is suits for gentlemen and the equivalent for ladies

XII. Adjournment – 7:07 PM