STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINUTES

September 25, 2014

I. Call to Order
5:34pm

II. Reading and Approval of Minutes
A. Approved

III. Invited Guests
A. Tyler Wynne – President of the Student Veterans Association
   i. Big issue: Initiative to create a dedicated veteran center on campus
   ii. University Center doesn’t want to allot a spot in the UC; SVA wants to get a spot in the Tejas Lounge to consolidate veteran resources available and create a community lounge for veterans and their dependents.
   iii. SVA is asking for SGA’s support in acquiring this space; the plan is to set up 3-4 work stations and pulling in weekly representatives for needed resources. The goal is a dedicated “one-stop shop” for veterans.

B. Steven Rodriguez – President of Rowdy Crew
   i. Runner Roar – yell practice event on October 1st in the Convocation Center at 8:00pm
   ii. Learning chants and spirit behavior for the football games
   iii. Yell Practice is a student-led tradition on campus
   iv. Another special event is following Runner Roar at 9:00pm in the Convocation Center

IV. Open Forum

V. Executive Officer Reports
A. President- Zack Dunn
   i. Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board student rep.
   ii. UT System Student Advisory Council- Jeff elected Chair of Leg. & Financial Affairs Committee, Council’s focus is 2 fold: resolutions and statements of support
   iii. National Voter Registration Day was a success
   iv. Executive Leadership Council: Met with Barry
   v. State of the University Address happening in the HUC Ballrooms at 3:00pm on September the 30th; Led by Tom Frost and Dr. Romo. It is imperative that SGA go; reserved seating has been set aside for SGA
   vi. Student Regent visiting next Friday, October 3rd at 10am
   vii. CAP Update. Boyd working with the UT Provost

B. Vice President- Christian Kenney
   i. NVRD went well! Thank you for participating
   ii. Christian is starting on his goals of getting more national sponsors for UTSA and adding departments to our academic programs

C. Treasurer- Ileana Gonzalez
   i. PRAs signed:
      • $1,467.73 Canopy
      • $534.94 Glow Sticks for Midnight Light
      • $91.28 Rowdy Representatives
      • $700 NVRD
      • $1000 T-Shirt Exchange – Senate will vote on this expenditure
   ii. $0 spent on SGA elections
   iii. Signed LeaderFund for Young & Misguided $141
   iv. Retreat expenditures:
      • $1,140 Bus
      • $159.22 Supplies
      • Still waiting on Room and Board
D. Secretary- Cole Whitmore
   i. SGA email address: first.lastSGA@gmail.com
      • e.g. cole.whitmoreSGA@gmail.com
   ii. Lots of absences. Senators need to stay on top of their attendance.
   iii. Great job with NVRD!
   iv. Absence and dismissal emails will be sent out this weekend!
   v. Contact Sheet and Open Seat Flyer almost ready

E. Executive Senator- Conor Harvey
   i. Spirit Lighting workforce – sign-up sheet passed around for volunteers to decorate trees downtown
   ii. Meeting with Dr. Zapata – Vice Provost of the Downtown Campus and Michelle Rocha; if anyone would like to go, send Conor an email at Conor.HarveySGA@gmail.com
   iii. Dining Services Committee meeting tomorrow with Darius
   iv. Dodgeball passed from Steven Rodriguez to Savin Weera

VI. Committee Chairs
A. Steven Rodriguez – Academic Affairs
   i. Meeting with Dean of Libraries, Dr. Krisellen Maloney
      • Meeting time and date: TBA
   ii. Meeting Times
      • Wednesdays at 3 PM
      • Location: Chicano-Cultural Room (UC 2.01.40)
   iii. Contact at Steven.RodriguezSGA@gmail.com with questions

B. Jeff Schilder – Business Affairs
   i. Meetings on Tuesdays from 5:15 - 6:15
      • Nueces room, HUC 2.216
   ii. Goal setting for new members
   iii. Crosswalks will be repainted as per a BA initiative
   iv. UTSSAC this past weekend
      • Honest Transcript Bill being discussed; to learn more about this Bill, please contact Jeff Schilder or Zack Dunn
   v. SGA Game Night?
   vi. Contact Information: Jefferson.SchilderSGA@gmail.com

C. Darius Brown – Student Affairs
   i. Meeting Times & Locations
      • Tuesdays at 4 PM
      • Oak Room (UC 2.01.20)
   ii. Great 2nd committee meeting. Absent? We have a Google Doc.
   iii. SGA Logo/Emblem work; deadline for ideas is Friday the 26th at 1:00pm
   iv. Meeting with Sam Gonzalez on the 26th at 12:00pm to discuss goals

VII. Appointments
A. Jared Cruz-Aedo – Social Media Director
   i. 92 more followers on Twitter
   ii. 54 more likes on Facebook
   iii. Rowdy Wing Fling happening tonight after General Assembly
   iv. Watch Party
   v. Homecoming – need participants for both!
      • BestFest
      • Golf Cart Parade
   vi. Contact: jared.cruzaedosGA@gmail.com

B. Katherine Martinez – Membership
   i. Window Wars Decorating Party Sept 29th
      • Selection Party 4-5 pm
   ii. Student High School Luncheon October 18th
   iii. Rowdy Rec Run 5k
• Saturday Nov 8th

iv. Membership Committee Meetings
   • Thursdays at 3:00 PM
   • Location: TBA

v. Contact Information: katherine.martinezsga@gmail.com

VIII. Advisor Reports

A. John Montoya
   i. UTSA Football watch party on Saturday at 3:30pm at Chili’s Too on campus
      • We want to get a great SGA presence out there!
   ii. Golf Cart decorating party is a mandatory event for Senators
   iii. Montoya can give more information on the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

B. Barry McKinney
   i. Congrats on NVRD!
   ii. Rowdy Wing Fling is from 6-9pm tonight
   iii. Golf Cart Parade is part of BestFest
   iv. Homecoming: Holly Tucker from The Voice and American Idol Kris Allen will be attending homecoming week!
   v. Students are encouraged to continue going to class and getting to know professors
   vi. The State of the University Address is next Tuesday at 3:00pm
   vii. Barry will be attending a conference next Monday the 29th and Tuesday the 30th so will be out of the office but will be checking email
   viii. Football watch party on Saturday in Chili’s Too – free food and drinks while it lasts!

IX. Old Business

A. None

X. New Business

A. New Senators sworn in who were not previously sworn in
B. Senate approved discussion of resolution GA 103
   i. GA 103 was placed on the table until next week
C. T-shirt exchange expenditure of $1000 was approved by the Senate with 20 in favor, 3 opposed, and 1 abstention.

XI. Announcements

A. None

XII. Adjournment – 7:01pm