STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINUTES

September 10, 2015


II. Call to Order - 5:58 PM

III. Reading and Approval of Minutes
A. Approved

IV. Invited Guests
A. Laura Monroe
   i. Sept. 14th reconstruction on the pool behind the rec. We didn’t get everything but hopefully later there is a possibility. These include a inside building
   ii. Pool that was there leaked after being 3 months old, after 2 years we got the okay to build, 1 year to get the budget approved
   iii. Goal: Mid-July possibility Late Night at the Rec
   iv. Parking 52 spots in front of the rec are going to be blocked
   v. Gender neutral bathroom where smoothie king was previously located
   vi. Heavy ropes coming and new training equipment between thanksgiving and January.
   vii. What about a sauna? Possibility but expensive and hard to manage
   viii. $120 student fees since 2007, it can go up to $150 but if we are looking to do that we will come to SGA for support
   ix. Room reservation at the rec is free for student orgs

B. Hillary Clingman
   i. Transportation, parking, dining, UTSA card
   ii. Enjoyed meeting with BA committee
   iii. Peanut Butter campaign – first week was a courtesy warning card no citations 7,000 cards. Top two parking without permit and incorrect parking spots.
      • $50 and $100 parking citations
      • This gave us the opportunity to talk to people face to face about their parking situations
      • Parking without a permit for first offense is now a warning, 2nd offense is only $25, and it becomes a warning if you buy a permit
      • 590 eligible tickets, 255 were warning
      • 331 potential-179 have paid with peanut butter

C. Listen Ask Questions Take personal notes

V. Open Forum

VI. Executive Officer Reports
A. President- Ileana Gonzalez
   i. Congrats new Senators
   ii. UTSA department for infrastructure assurance and security (CIAS) being selected to receive the information sharing and analysis organizations award from the department of homeland security. Through this grant award CIAS will lead the effort to establish the
national cybersecurity information sharing standards between grant between private sector and government.

iii. Congressmen Castro next coming on Monday to congratulate UTSA

iv. Rack Space came and signed a partnership with UTSA developing Open Stack software for the cloud

v. SGA Website new monthly video “the SGA address”

vi. UTSA flag meeting with Ron Nirenberg Albert Carrizales and maybe VPBA soon

vii. Emailed George Norton about getting the letter from the Student Body President in admission packet

viii. Mr./Ms. UTSA Applications are due Tuesday Sept. 15th

ix. 2 resignations Karen social media and Jeff chief of staff

x. SAHERA Sept. 22nd

xi. UTSSAC tomorrow 15 schools get together to discuss large scale issues that affect all of the institutes

xii. Football game this weekend at 11 AM

B. Vice President- Christian Kenney

i. Strategic Leadership Development Retreat Oct. 2-4th
   - Budget has allocated for 52 participants
   - Mandatory
   - After we see who all cannot make it then we will fill open spots with general members

ii. Paperwork – deadline Thursday 24th by the end of GA
   - 3 papers yellow, white, take to Barry or Jessica and fill out pink

iii. Lights on the paseo Holiday event spreading awareness for all the cultures
   - SGA giving tree, volunteers come see after meeting

iv. SGA student worker applications are open if you are interested we have applications with us. It’s $9/hour and 12 hours a week contact Iselda.Rodriguez@utsa.edu or Jessica.Horace@utsa.edu

C. Treasurer- Jaswanth Kintada

i. Budget PRA signed $250 tailgating

ii. Student Health Advisory Council
   - Setting up meetings, to discuss how SGA is going to play a role

D. Secretary- Lauren Lopez

i. Introduction/Welcome new members and senators

ii. New Business we will be doing official committee selection
   - New Senators be listening to the committee times and descriptions you will have to attend once a week. IF none of them work for you come talk to me or send me an email after GA. Lauren.LopezSGA@gmail.com

iii. Attendance
   - Make sure you are showing up to GA and your committee
     trying to be lenient since we’re getting back but if this is your 3rd week, you should know your schedule and be ready to attend your required meetings.
   - IF something comes up just communicate with me your reasoning and it is up to me to say if it is an excuse or not. If it is something that I feel could be avoided or rearranged than it will probably be unexcused.
   - Remember 3 excused is all you get
   - Sign in sheets: Make sure you sign in, this is so it’s fair and you have the opportunity to write your name down yourself to get counted for attendance, even if I am having a conversation with you I will not count you as present unless your name is on that sheet.
   - I’m not a mean person, we are here to serve the student body

iv. Alex Lewis and Sergio Mendoza come see me after GA

v. Retreat
   - It is Mandatory
   - RSVP with me if you are going or not going
i. Not going, SEND ME YOUR REASON
   - If you have work, try to request off. You have known about this for a month now. Retreat is not something you want to miss out on, we’re changing stuff up this year it’s going to be great

vi. New Senators! WELCOME to the SGA family
   - What I need from you all is an email from a brand new gmail account
     i. Format Firstname.LastnameSGA@gmail.com
   - In this email, send me your phone number for our contact sheet, a preferred name you go by for the placard in front of everyone
   - A sentence on how you’re going to do your best to reach out to your constituents that is a reasonable goal for yourself (the people who voted for you)
   - And any questions that you have about SGA

vii. FYE is coming to next GA to discuss changes about the program

E. Hot Topic – Concealed Campus Carry
   i. Dialogue to take to the committee
   ii. Buildings that are restricted will have safes or locks
   iii. Katherine FunkBaxter website/email went out today with FAQs and we will be adding more as time goes on important dates
   iv. Buildings any food court areas being restricted with accidental discharge
   v. Education programs are going to be important
   vi. Labs with flammable substances
   vii. If the buildings are open 24 hours do the security will have to be there
   viii. Using veterans to train students

VII. Committee Chairs
A. Ashley Pollock – Academic Affairs
   i. Meeting Friday September 11th at 11 am in the Buckeye Room. Meeting will be run by Terralynn because I will not be there.
   ii. Current Initiatives:
   iii. Social Dialogue Series-students and faculty participating in forum
   iv. Diversification of History CC (Core Curriculum)-native American history, African American history, etc.
   v. Promotion of Writing Center
   vi. Improvement of Transfer Orientation/possibly veteran orientation
   vii. New Initiatives:
   viii. B.A. -> B.S. in Psych (or both) - To allow students another avenue of study
   ix. On-Campus Certificatio – Michael Russo
   x. Financial Literacy - An overview of 401K forms, credit score etc.
   xi. Word of the week: cacophony kəˈkäfənē/ noun a harsh, discordant mixture of sounds.
   "a cacophony of deafening alarm bells"
   xii. Not for the slide* (The purpose of the word of the week is to help members learn/study vocal words for the GRE, GMAT, MCAT, etc.) whoever knows the word at the next GA gets a reward under $10 of their choice courtesy of me. Terralynn will explain it.

B. Victoria – Business Affairs
   i. Meetings: 5:30P.M. on Tuesdays in the Montgomery Room
   ii. The Business Affairs Committee shall research student concerns related to the administrative units reporting to the Vice President for Business Affairs.
   iii. The Business Affairs Committee shall recommend policy and actions to the Vice President for Business Affairs.
   iv. Mary Dixon going over student concerns in Business Affairs
      - 3rd floor electrical hasn’t been updated so they can’t add more.
      - Study carols east commons on the second floor
      - Seminar room on the 3rd floor is going to be group study room
      - More seating in the back on the 2nd floor 5 plug
      - Use chat system for the library
   v. Facilities next week with David Rycker
• Furniture
  vi. Every other Monday with Hillary Clingman at 4:30 PM
  vii. “A goal is just a dream with a deadline”

C. Adrian Guajardo and William Trynoski – Student Affairs
  i. What is Student Affairs?
  ii. Meetings: 4:30P.M. on Tuesdays
  iii. Student Life
  iv. Student Housing
  v. The Rec Center
  vi. Student Organizations
  vii. Recreation Activities and Events
  viii. Updates:
  ix. Meeting with Sam Gonzalez went well!
  x. Alcohol at Sporting Events this is happening hopefully by next fall
  xi. Napping Areas talking to Mary Dixon but she doesn’t think there is room
  xii. Athletics Committee schedule we are playing bigger schools in the next coming years for football
  xiii. Bus Trackers checking the companies
  xiv. UC Meeting Rooms–Herb Gainey to check room estimates
    • Are Student Orgs accurately estimating the space needed?
    • The software used for booking rooms
  xv. Reserving Signs at the Rec Center
  xvi. Student Organization Council
  xvii. UC Advisory Council
  xviii. NVRD

VIII. Appointments
  A. Elizabeth Ayala – Membership Director
    i. Thin air $17 Tuesday 29th
    ii. October ghost tour $8 downtown
    iii. November hunger games
    iv. Dec. potluck
  B. Jared Cruz-Aedo and Karen Chavez – Social Media Director
    i. Focused on elections

IX. Advisor Reports
  A. Jessica Horace – excited to be working with you this semester
    i. 8:00 shuttle leaves from laurel
    ii. VIA bus from downtown
    iii. $2.50 both ways to ride the shuttle
  B. Barry McKinney
    i. Congrats New senators and thank you Jessica and Anys
    ii. 39 people deputized, congrats!
    iii. Gmail
    iv. Elections and retreat have been what I have been working on this week
    v. Any purchases
      • step 1: talk to Jaswanth and fill out PRA
      • Step 2: a couple of days notice for purchases
    vi. November 18th save the date
    vii. Orange out game
    viii. Orange and blue day in san Antonio 9/11/15
    ix. Mr./Ms. UTSA applications are due Sept. 15th application due at 5 PM is on Rowdy Link

X. Old Business
  A. Resolution will be sent out again to new senators and we will be voting on this next week
  B. Budget will be sent out again to new senators and we will be voting on this next week
    i. Don’t have quorum to continue with the voting

XI. New Business
  A. Oath of office
B. Speaker of the senate election
   i. Jeff Schilder Speaker of the Senate
C. Committee Selection

XII. Announcements
A. Give Elizabeth money

XIII. Adjournment – 8:47