STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINUTES

September 3rd, 2015


Absent: Elizabeth Ayala, Chirag Buch, Robert Jones, Alex Lewis, Connor Malone, Sergio Mendoza, Ashley Pollock, Jimmy Ramirez, Armando Sanchez, Devin Sanders

II. Call to Order 5:36 PM

III. Reading and Approval of Minutes
A. Approved

IV. Invited Guests

V. Open Forum

VI. Executive Officer Reports
A. President- Ileana Gonzalez

i. Website has launched you can go into the projects tab and see everything that we are working on and there will be timelines added soon within the next two weeks

ii. GRIP meeting tomorrow
   • Graduation Rate Improvement Plan interested send me an email and we can see if we can get you in that meeting

iii. Dean of libraries search committee
   • Interim Mary Dixon

iv. Dean Price and VP Sam Gonzalez
   • They want us to send them our Initiatives

v. Campus Carry already a law but we will be discussing the FAQs and concerns

vi. NVRD Sept. 22

vii. Video Productions – Monthly Videos “The SGA Address – From students to students
   • Filmed today that will be played on every single TV around campus, twitter, facebook, on the website

viii. New Senator Packet going on today

ix. SAHERA – Tuesday Sept. 22nd at 8 PM
   • Talk about what is going on around our community and in each community
   • Here on Campus

x. UTSSAC – Next weekend
   • University of Texas System Student Advisory Council
   • Concerns for UT system wide initiatives

B. Vice President- Christian Kenney

i. Retreat is 85% Planned
   • Oct. 2-4th times are not set
   • Number of spots are not quite known as of yet
   • Senators if you cannot attend please tell Lauren immediately
   • Attendance is mandatory
   • First come first serve for non-senators

ii. I.T. Problem with restricting access is on the way
   • William headed this in the past, it has been brought up again
   • Organization on campus esports community – concern: certain games, websites are being blocked but they are working on it directly

iii. Athletics Council Meeting Friday

C. Treasurer- Jaswanth Kintada

i. Budget about $47,000
ii. LeaderFUND
   - Reimbursement program ($750/fiscal year)
   - Support RSOs to participate in activities that provide leadership development
   - Contribute to an increased sense of campus community

iii. Purchase Request Authorization (PRA) will be signed for 70 binders $70

iv. PRA will be signed for NVRD ($250) and tailgating ($350)

v. SGA partnered with Victoria secret spring 2015
   - What has it done? This was a student led initiative with Student Government and this is the reason why we are able to compete for the overall win

D. Secretary- Lauren Lopez
   i. Email List – if you aren’t on it and you have left me your email that probably means I couldn’t read it come fix it with me after meeting
   ii. Alex Lewis and Sergio Mendoza – come see me after meeting
   iii. Thank you Velie and William for stepping up and being our tailgating coordinators
   iv. Attendance Policy – 6 Excused, 3 unexcused. If you are a senator it is important that you be here and attend all of meetings.
      - Committee chairs make sure you are sending me the attendance

v. Upcoming events:
   - NVRD sept. 22nd
   - Elections Sept. 7-8
   - ThinAir Sept 22nd
   - Retreat Oct 2-4
   - Watch party after GA
   - RR Late night: Lazer Tag Sept. 12th 9-11pm in the UC Lawn

E. Executive Senator –

F. Chief of Staff – Jeff Schilder
   i. SAAC meeting/partnership getting students to know the athletes so we can increase the game day attendance
   ii. Have been/will be attending committee meetings this week to answer any questions for newer members.
   iii. Fantasy football? Let me know if you want to do one

G. Hot Topic of the week
   i. What are your comments or concerns about Concealed Carry on Campus?
      - 94% of housing residents are younger than 21. Must be 21 to have the license
      - How would they control the restrictions
         i. Basically just trust, not using metal detectors, raising budget for the officers on campus?
         ii. Safe in every room, so they aren’t being concentrated in one away
         iii. Cannot ask them to identify themselves as CHL
         iv. Joint effort to inform students about the new policy
      - Open carry is not allowed on campus, this is concealed carry on campus
      - The law takes effect for us August 1st, 2016
      - What are the consequences for violating the law?
      - Does allowing the guns on campus increase our chances of having a shooting
      - Look at the what the research is saying about the areas of high traffic and more
      - Educational session to inform students about the safety concerns
   ii. What buildings do you think it should be restricted in?
      - We can restrict certain buildings, we cannot restrict housing, we can restrict labs,
      - it is unwise to restrict whole buildings, having a class on campus that can obtain their license.
      - Tyler Veteran Student Association President, Stronger background checks but very against restricting entire buildings
   iii. Thank you for participating
VII. Committee Chairs
A. Ashley Pollock – Academic Affairs
   i. Meeting on Friday at 11 AM in the Buckeye Room
B. Victoria – Business Affairs
   i. Raise your hand if you have not downloaded the pink nation app
   ii. mtg. w/ facilities
   iii. mtg. w/Hillary Klingman
   iv. mtg. Libray (solar plugs) greenfund
   v. Mooyah New Combo $5.99
   vi. BA: food, dining, parking, traffic and transportation, financial planning, campus safety, campus police, disability services
   vii. Want to be added to our Groupme? Come see me!
   viii. Meeting times: Tuesday at 5:30 PM in the Montgomery Riin HUC 2.214A
   ix. Victoria.VazquezSGA@gmail.com
C. Adrian Guajardo and William Trynoski – Student Affairs
   i. Meeting with Dean Price
      • Bus trackers
      • Greek Housing
         i. Off campus alternatives
            i. Greek organizations can talk to their HQ to rent out basically an off campus apartment
         ii. Storage and meeting rooms
   ii. Napping areas
      i. Signal extenders in students housing
      • Lighting on the paseo
         i. What does a nightlife look like?
      • Alcohol at sporting events
         i. Athletics
         ii. Trying to increase attendance at the games
      • NVRD
         i. Fill out the google form to create a schedule
         ii. Deputization is sept. 10th before GA
         iii. Multiple locations
         iv. Goal between 500-1,000
         v. Trying to get the RA’s deputized
         vi. Meeting with Sam Gonzalez at 1:30 PM
   iii. Committee Meetings for now Tuesday at 5:30 PM this will be moved soon

VIII. Appointments
A. Elizabeth Ayala – Membership Director
   i. Thin Air Sept. 22nd
   ii. Superhero Theme
   iii. $17 per person
   iv. Sign up sheet in office
B. Jared Cruz-Aedo and Karen Chavez – Social Media Director
   i. Promoting elections
   ii. Continue to promote the pink nation app
      • This was covered by San Antonio news express
C. Larla and Sidney – ULA Directors
D. Jordan Lindsey – Graphic Designer

IX. Advisor Reports
A. Barry McKinney
   i. Jessica Horace – welcome and thank you for helping us with getting ready for elections
   ii. Ileana appointed to San Antonio ethics committee
iii. Retreat Oct. 2-4th
   - Great bonding experience and usually is great for retention
iv. NVRD you don’t have to do the form to be deputized, if we don’t have at least 30 people
    we won’t have that privilege in future
v. This day in History 4 years ago it was the first ever football game
vi. Watch party tonight first game of the season food provided by Chili’s
vii. Next Saturday will be our first home football game
viii. Students first, make sure you are taking care of your assignments, going to classes, know
      your professors
ix. UTSA Capitol campaign
x. UT system initiative: Bystander initiative, recognizing potential harm and choosing to do
    something about it. Potential name beaks up, speak up
xi. Home game weeks – Team talks on Mondays usually (Since Labor day is Monday it will
    be moving to Tuesday) 12-1 in the ski lodge in the UC
xii. Game week Wednesday up by the Roadrunner statues
xiii. Rowdy Rush
xiv. Pink Crush Them! Watch Social Media, let’s keep it up!

X. Old Business
   A. Resolution GA 101
      i. Voting postponed next week
      ii. We will read it next week
      iii. Discussion
         - Constitution changes to the reasoning’s for resolution
         - Amendment to justify the constitution
         - Move to amend the first clause to state “article 3 of the constitution

XI. New Business
   A. Committee selection

XII. Announcements
   A. NVRD contact frankie
   B. If you want to be in a committee speak to them after GA
   C. Sept. 14th 4:30-6 PM of SISNR students of ISNR at UTSA Neurofeedback and research at UTSA
      Biofeedback organization
   D. Sept 2nd - Sept. 30th veteran art showcase in the art gallery on campus
   E. Pink countdown closing rally 10-11
   F. Dean Price and Sam Gonzalez will be at the watch party
   G. Jeff even if you do not win your election stay around you can still be a member of SGA

XIII. Adjournment – 7:14 PM