15th SESSION OF THE 43rd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Thursday, November 29th, 2018

I. Call to Order
   A. 5:32 PM

II. Mission Statement

III. GA is now an ELECTRONIC-FREE zone
   A. Please stay off phones, laptops, tablets etc. If you need to take notes please use paper and pencil and any documents you should need should have been sent to you by Tuesday at 5pm so make sure to print any documents ahead of time including the agenda

IV. Roll Call
   A. Deja White, Michael Sanchez, Llewella Odigie, Jennifer Perez, Katherine Rico, Jose Francisco Longoria, John Rust, Rachel Jendrzey, Eric M Iwanicki, Ethan Frie, Salman Sakib, Dylan Delgado, Kayla Bustillos, Alexia Baker, Michael Barbosa, Cody Kiefer, Samantha Schwenke, Alicia Moreno, Regina Kinnard, Sudeep Jacob, Je’e Willis, Rachel Onabanjo, Jose Escobedo, Alex Sexton, Joseph Carreon, Kaitlyn Law, Marielle Gaspar, Noor Alnourachi, and Tyra Allen

V. Approval of the Minutes
   A. Approved with no Objection

VI. Invited Guests
   A. Rhonda Gonzales, Interim Vice President for Student Success and LT Robinson, Interim Dean of Students
      i. Rhonda Gonzalez has been a professor since 2004 in History
      ii. Her new position introduced in April 2018
          ● The main focus of this position is to see what barriers are present so the right people can come together to tackle it for student success
      iii. Academic Advising initiatives - We currently have a very spread out advising center around the main campus which has been a barrier for students
          ● We are working on centralizing advising.
      iv. President Eighmy vision is to have a building for centralized advising in 3-5 years for the main and downtown campus.
          ● Proposed Interim solution: Modular option. Temporary 18 modular building for 25,200 ft.
      v. Feedback:
         ● Was there student concerns for this initiative? It has not come up.
         ● Will there be a downtown temporary location for the 2 colleges? We will look into it.
         ● What will the temporary property be used for when main advisory building is built? If we purchase these temporary buildings then we can use them for other offices during the transition. If we lease them then they will be picked up at the end of the term.
         ● If advisors move who will use their office? It will be up to the provost to optimize space.
         ● Would this affect the students financially? It has not been discussed.
         ● How will this benefit graduate students? Since faculty advise students it is different from undergrads who are advised by advising counselors.
         ● Is advising housed by colleges? No. Will it be moved back? No.
● A lot of colleges or even majors have different advising specialist. How will this affect those advising units? We will look into grouping advising units when we move.

vi. LT Robinson - Moving from Students Life Initiative office to Kevin Price current office in the Student Union. Therefore, Drew will be moved to the current Student Life Initiative office. He is not only SGA advisor so he needs the extra space to get his work done efficiently. A graduate worker will now split their time into the SGA office and the Student Life Initiative office.
   ● Mark will be given printer access to assist with SGA help.
   ● UTSA will be pairing Student Life Initiative with the Student Leadership office.

vii. We are also looking for more action and more representation for action wide committee groups. We want to help building a better culture for UTSA. There is a Violence prevention advisory task force. They will meet monthly and have subcommittees if needed. The main focus is to help identify what you want to see on campus. We need ideas for how you would like to see it through. We will follow up about email listing to make sure everyone is included.

B. Matt Keneson
   i. Retention and graduation Coordinator
   ii. New office, only 1 year old
   iii. We are based off a 3 year grant initiative, we only have one full time staff, we offer virtual help desk, address institutional barriers, and resolve roadblocks for individual students.
   iv. 3 Main questions: How can we help students graduated? Minimize budget and time? Raise graduation rates?
   v. Referrals: Help desk is not a substitute for other offices. If you stop by every step and still need assistance then you can be referred or refer yourself to our office
   vi. Outreach: How can we work on degreeworks? ASAP warnings
      ● We campaign to save students from duplicated course work. Students saved over 52,000 Dollars.
   vii. Addressing barriers: Technical issues, auto-graduation, study abroad, policies, etc.
   viii. Creating flexible work courses
   ix. GraduationHelpDesk@utsa.edu
   x. 210-458-6786

C. Brittany Garcia - President of SGA - State of the SGA Address

VII. Announcements
   A. None

VIII. Open Forum
   A. None

IX. Secret Snowflake

X. Advisor Reports
   A. Drew Shelnutt
      i. Please make sure you are keeping up with yourself and those around you
      ii. Application deadline is Dec. 15 for leadership takeover presentation.
         ● Also apply to attend
      iii. Andrew.Shelnutt@utsa.edu

XI. Executive Report
   A. President - Brittany Garcia
      i. Workshops start back up in the Spring
      ii. Giving tree is now open for donations from everyone since organizations did not respond.
         ● Please promote it
iii. Ugly sweater competition winner is Alicia Moreno
iv. Submit proposals on rowdylink
v. Rowdyrace is still going on
   ● He will take student government questions for surveys
vi. Texas Student Government Coalition
   ● This saturday, Aileen and Katherine will be in attendance
vii. Things to do over the break:
   ● carve out tabling times for the spring
   ● start thinking about your next step in GA
   ● Less than 3 months to work on your initiatives
   i. Let’s talk about it
   ii. We don’t know what to help you with if you do not tell us
viii. Brittany.GarciaSGA@gmail.com
B. Vice President - Mariah Crippen
   i. Mariah.CrippenSGA@gmail.com
C. Treasurer - Amber Shannon Barbosa
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D. Secretary - Lorelle Jackson
   i. Lorelle.JacksonSGA@gmail.com
E. Speaker of the Senate - Michael Barbosa
   i. Round of applause for all the hard work
   ii. Proposal process
      ● Legislation - It notifies the executive board and Mariah to get in on the agenda
      ● Exec is only looking to see if it aligns with the policies we have in set
   iii. Michael.Barbosasga@gmail.com
F. Chief of Staff - Julie Castillo
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G. Executive Director - Sidney Montero
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H. Executive Director of External Relations - Aileen Montana
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XII. Dodgeball
A. Lorelle Jackson to Marielle Gasper

XIII. Standing Committee Chairs
A. Academic Affairs – John Aguirre
   i. Scantron Giveaway Thursday Dec. 6 @ late Night Breakfast
   ii. Downtown Campus Dec. 4 @10 AM
   iii. John.AguirreSGA@gmail.com
B. Business Affairs – Jack Rust
   i. Previously had two meetings with Katheryne Funk-Baxter and Hillary Klingman
   ii. Female Initiatives: Multiple products left after
      ● Possibly table to pass out products and collect concerns
   iii. Meeting schedules laid out to discuss business affairs internal business
   iv. Good Luck on finals
   v. Jack.RustSGA@gmail.com
C. Student Affairs – Rachel Jendrzey
   i. Transfer students concern
      ● 4 part process
      ● Update orientation, coding emails and etc.
   ii. We are looking at University policies and possible changes
iii. Good Luck on finals and Have a great and safe break.
iv. Rachel.JendrzeySGA@gmail.com

XIV. Directors Report:
A. Carlo Garcia
   i. Zumba Tuesday from 4 PM - 4:45 PM
B. Cynthia Lopez
   i. Smoothie Bar at the Downtown Campus
      ● 6 flavors in the works
   ii. Tuesday is Downtown Scantron giveaway
      ● 10 AM - 2 PM

XV. Parliamentary Procedures
A. Vice President has the say on which set of Parliamentarian rules to follow
B. Vice President has to acknowledge you for point of information and point of clarification.

XVI. Unfinished Business
A. Budget Reallocation
   i. 4 Major reallocations
      ● Special Events to Director and committee program
         i. Director Programming (1,000)
         ii. Committee Programing (2405.63)
            i. In favor because it aligns to our mission
            ii. Proposed amendment of $160 from committee programming to director summit
               1. Point of Clarification: Is this in addition to the proposed Part D? Yes. Who will be in attendance? 8 Directors.
               2. I am not in favor because we are here to serve the Student body. The team should have had a summit earlier and not when 3 months are left.
               3. I am in favor because our directors do a lot even more than the senators.
               5. I am not in favor
               6. I am not in favor
               7. I am not in favor due to the cut in attendees so they do not need the funds
               8. Motion to Previous Question:
                  a. Na’s have it; Motion fail.
   iii. Motion to move $10 from Committee programming to Directors summit:
      i. Na’s Have it; Motion fail
iv. In Favor of Part A proposal
v. In favor for benefit of the constituents
vi. Motion to move to previous question:
   i. I have it; Motion for Part A Pass.
● Composites, officer cards to Polos and Name Tags
   i. Polos ($490)
   ii. Name tags ($542)
      i. Point of Clarification: Is this to balance the cost or do we need it to make orders? It is to offset the balance.
      ii. Motion to Vote on all the Proposals at once:

1. I’s have it; Motion to vote on Part B, C, and D Pass
   • Homecoming to Committee Programing
   • NVRD to Directors summit and events
     i. Motion to move $10 from Presidents Funds to Directors summit:
        i. I’s have it; Motion passed
   • Move to Previous Question:
     i. I have it; Motion passed
     ii. Part B, C, and D are passed

XVII. New Business
A. ByLaw Amendment - Office Rules
   i. Standard of Conduct and Behavior

XVIII. Takeaways
A. Good Luck during Finals
B. Happy Holidays
C. Spread the word on Elections, December 4th and 5th
D. Giving Tree - Until December 4th

XIX. Speech from Outgoing Secretary

XX. Roll Call
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XXI. Adjournment
A. 7:42 PM