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## Senate Meeting #8– March 25th, 2025

• Call to Order at 6:02pm

## • Pledge of Allegiance

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

### • Texas Pledge

"Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."

# • Roll Call: 68 Senators, 5 Executive Board Members Total: 72

## Certify Meeting Minutes 03/18/25

- Entertained by President Scott
- Moved by Chair Coleman

- Second by Senator Sandoval
- Uni pass.

# **Officer Reports**

#### A. Chief of Staff Macias

- Office Hours: Mondays and Wednesdays 11am-12pm!
- Townhall Meeting went GREAT!!
- Inventory has been updated
- All office hours must be put in the sheet by senators by SATURDAY 11:59PM
- Directors and Chairs please sign off on hours by SUNDAY 11:59PM *Treasurer Hernandez* 
  - Office hours: Tuesdays 12:30pm-2:30pm and Thursdays 3pm-5pm

ALL PURCHASES MUST BE SUBMITTED 4-5 weeks in advance! If it does not fall within that timeframe, I will NOT approve your request nor will the President or VP.

- When submitting a purchase request, do not attach links in the description section, it is meant for the description of the items!
  - If need be, create a separate document and attach the links with descriptions and pictures of the item!
  - Include a "back-up" section on the document in case your first pick item cannot be purchased.
- ALL ROOM/PLAZA RESERVATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED 2-3 weeks in advance. If not I will not make the reservation.
  - Purchase request and room reservations should be two separate emails and be sure to include the words "purchase request" or "room reservation" in the subject
  - Meeting with Brandon and Teresa at 2:00 pm every Tuesday
  - Examples of a purchase requests, plaza/room reservation, emails, and the budget can be found on blackboard under the expenditure tab
  - Email: <u>llh033@shsu.edu</u>
  - BUDGET AS OF MARCH 1<sup>st</sup>

#### **B.** Secretary Salmeron

• Office Hours: Monday – 9am-10am, Friday – 9am-10am

- Attendance: If you will not be at mandatory events or Senate meetings, please let me know by Tuesday's at 12pm.
- This week's schedule:
  - Thursday:
    - Fuel Her Fire Women's History Month Tabling
    - Ask the Presidents
    - SGA SPRINGGGGG FEST!! Attire is SHSU

• Green Market Photoshoot will be held this weekend!!

• SGA Picnic will be held April 11<sup>th</sup> at 5pm

#### C. Vice President Rojas-Caballero

- Office Hours:
  - o Monday- 9:00am-10:30am, 3:15-4:00
- Internal Affairs meets bi-weekly on Mondays at 6pm in the SGA office
  - Will meet next Monday at 6pm in the SGA office
- Orange tie
  - o RSVP Form- Will close April 8th
    - No plus ones
    - RSVP QR code is on black board
    - If you are a graduating Senior, please fill out the QR code on black board- Will close April 20<sup>th</sup>
    - If you are graduating and haven't filled out the form, come talk to me today to secure a stole!
    - Please take RSVP seriously!
  - April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 6:00pm- Peabody library
- SGA FEST
  - $\circ$  March 27<sup>th</sup> 5-8 pm
  - If you can show up 2 hours before start of event come talk to me for volunteering
- New Senator Orientation
  - 3/28 with President Scott and Director Washington from 3:00pm-4:00pm
  - Dates for the remainder of the semester are now on black board in the "New voted in senators" tab!
  - $\circ$  4 more for the semester hi titi

## D. President Scott

- Office Hours Mondays from 11-3PM and Thursdays from 12-2PM
- Met w/ President White yesterday
- Met w/CRO, and Jalon Berry
- Meet with Erica Bumpers tomorrow
- University Advancement Assignment, SWBC on Thursday
- Continue to keep it cute during Election Season <3
- Ask the President's on Thursday, 3/27 Please scan QR code and ask a question below:



- BAPI IS A MANDATORY EVENT
- Black Excellence and Florecemos 4/28 and 30<sup>th</sup> respectively in the Orange Ballroom at 6PM
- Historical Commission met for the 1<sup>st</sup> time on Monday

# **Director Reports**

- Community Affairs Angela Toscano and Akylia Washington
  - Thursday meeting will be held via Zoom @1pm; Zoom link can found on Blackboard under the Community Affairs Tab
  - SGA Spring Fest
    - o Thursday, March 27 | 5:00 PM 8:00 PM
    - o Activities: Balloons & Darts, Fidgets, Food Vouchers
    - Raffle Prizes: Projector & \$200 Bearkat Bucks
  - Fuel Her Fire: Women's History Month Table
    - Thursday, March 27 | 12:00 PM 2:00 PM
    - Reminder: Be mindful of the notes you write!

- 15th Annual B.A.P.I
  - 18 DAYS!!
  - Site Leader Registration Deadline: Friday @5pm (Mandatory)
    - Keep the most recent submission
    - The transportation question is regarding student volunteers, NOT YOUR SITE LEADER PARTNER
    - No XS shirts, I'm sorry!
    - Sign up can be found in Blackboard under Community Affairs Tab.
    - Pending Site Leader List
  - Student Volunteer Registration Deadline: April 2 | 8 days!
    - 79 Volunteers So Far! Keep reposting & spread the word!
  - Paws & Claws starts Monday! = Volunteer Hours Included
- Contact Us: aiw010@shsu.edu | adl080@shsu.edu

#### • Student Affairs - Lily Temple-Dozier and Aly Underwood

- Tomorrow's meeting is at 4:00pm in LSC 117
- March Student Affairs Meetings:
  - March 26 --> LSC 117
  - Please let us know if you need to join on zoom
- Upcoming Events:
  - Spring Fest
    - March 27th, 5-8
    - Soda Bowling
    - Potato Sack Race
    - Pie the Pres as a reward for winning our game
  - Eco-Week
    - Monday, April 7th, 12-2: BYOI
      - Bring your own item
      - o Plaza
    - Tuesday, April 8th, 1-3: Stuck on SGA
      - o Plaza
    - Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> Science Speaker Series
      - LSC 241

- Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, Adopt Don't Shop/Collab with Community Affairs
  - $\circ$  Whole plaza
- SGA Field Day
- Namaste with SGA
- Study with SGA
- When submitting office hours or questions please email them to the BOTH of us.
  - Please have them in by 11:59 on Saturday! (As per Chief of staff rules)
- o Email: aeu003@shsu.edu lkt009@shsu.edu

## Public Relations - Rhiannon Guel & Adison Trowbridge

- Meetings are Mondays at 3:30PM
- Flyer requests need to be sent in 3-4 weeks AHEAD of when it needs to be POSTED. We will only be accepting flyer requests from Internals. Please CC Secretary Salmeron in your emails and include "Flyer Request" in your email subject.
- Office Hours need to be sent to BOTH of us and need to be on time (Friday). Reach out to us if you need an extension!
- Member of the Week will be announced in new business! Make sure you are filling out the form!
- Links to our photo circle has been sent out in the GroupMe!
- FSL x SGA recap March 25<sup>th</sup>
- Fuel Her Fire March 26th
- Paws and Claws Donation Drive March 31st
- Bring Your Own Items (BYO) March 31st
- Black Excellence April 11<sup>th</sup>
- Florecemos April 11<sup>th</sup>
- Stress Awareness Tabling April 14th
- Alcohol Awareness Tabling April 22<sup>nd</sup>
- SGA Fest Lucky Duck
  - Prizes: Monster & Monster branded items, Exam kit, Beats earbuds
- If you have any ideas for PR or need to send in a request email us at

#### rlg080@shsu.edu axt158@shsu.edu

# **D.** Rules and Regulations- Emarie Schweikhardt and Krista Henderson

- Meetings at 4:00pm on Thursdays in the SGA Office (LSC 314)
- SGA Fest: Ring Toss
- Please contact Director Schweikhardt or Director Henderson if you have ideas for legislation
  - o Email: eps017@shsu.edu and knh090@shsu.edu

#### E. Director of Council – D'Juan Fontenot & Alyssa Rodriguez

- DATE: 03/25/2025
- If you are stating your intent, please stay back so I can gather your information!
- Today is the last day to state your intent!
- Kateleen Kent (COSET), Damikka Willis (CAM)
- Make sure you're completing your council member process correctly!
  - Fill out the application (attached) <u>NEW SENATOR APPLICATION</u>

• Take the SGA knowledge quiz (must get 80% or above, this is found on the blackboard)

• Attend two department meetings (for example: Rules and Regulations, Community Affairs, etc.)

- Complete two office hours
- Meet the SHSU GPA requirement of a minimum of 2.25
- Feel free to ask any questions: ddf028@shsu.edu & amr257@shsu.edu



### Director of Caucus/COBA Caucus Chair – Abigail Dittman

- Will be going to a Houston ISD hearing on March 26th with Chair Argueta.
- Emailed the VITA Center and haven't received word
- Contacted the Career Center
- Contacted Student Money Management for Collaboration
- Will be meeting with Dean Self on April 2nd
- Went to the Small Business Breakfast on April 10<sup>th</sup>
- <sup>Chamber opportunities and committees:</sup> Diversity Council, Diva Night, Chamber Clay Classic, Fair on the Square, Governmental Affairs, Huntsville Leadership Institute
- Will be volunteering with J's House Group Home for foster youth Clean up in Humble, TX this Saturday if you are interested.
- SGA caucus chairs lead their group of senators by organizing meetings, representing student concerns, guiding legislative efforts, and mentoring members. They are continuously working to create initiative within your college, please continue to appreacite and respect them.
- Email: <u>Agd039@shsu.edu</u>

### **Chair Reports**

#### **B.** Sciences, Engineering and Technology – Emmy Castro

- STEM week
- Florecemos!
- Any further questions can be directed to me at <u>enc033@shsu.edu</u> or come see me after today's meeting!

#### C. Humanities and Social Sciences – Ashari Gordan

- Scheduling Dean meeting for April, didn't meet in March because of lack of availability
- Survey being reviewed for CHSS
- Working on legislation with R&R about FSL following the town hall

• If you have any ideas or questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to email me: <a href="mailto:ajg128@shsu.edu">ajg128@shsu.edu</a>

#### D. Arts and Media – Daijion Jackson

- I'm in the process of setting up a meeting with my dean
- Mcomicon is happening April 2<sup>nd</sup> in the dan rather
- I had my caucus meeting today!
- CAM ambassador applications are now open through the 28<sup>th</sup>
- If you have any questions my email is <u>ddj041@shsu.edu</u>

#### E. Education – Alexis Argueta

- COE Dean Meeting
  - Met Dean Edmondson on March 20<sup>th</sup>. Greatly beneficial meeting for COE!
- COE Graduate Fair
  - Tabled on March 25<sup>th</sup> in COE for SGA!
- HISD Board Meeting Visit w/ Director Dittman
  - $^{\circ}$  We will be attending the board meeting on March 26<sup>th</sup>.
- COE Senators and Council Members
  - Please reach out to your (COE) friends, organizations, and classmates about joining SGA! Senators, if you are wanting an office hour from me, please check the email I sent out on how to receive one!
- Contact Me
  - I'm happy to answer any questions or help execute ideas, please email me at: <u>ara093@shsu.edu</u>.

### F. Criminal Justice – Je'hmory Coleman

- We have our caucus meeting with Dean Lyons Tuesday, March 25 at 2:00 pm
- I received swag from the college to table with
- I met with Kimberley Foster regarding social media improvements
- I presented our event ideas to Ms. Doris Powell
- CJ ambassador applications close on the 31st
- If you are a part of the College of Criminal Justice and are voted in and are not in the GroupMe let me know
- If you have any questions, comments, or concerns that you would like

to bring to me, my email is jwc061@shsu.edu

#### G. Health Sciences – Tyree Roberts

- First Gen Premed field trip to COM Friday 1 pm to 4pm
- Personal Statement workshop 4/2 12 pm to 1 pm in Library 106/110
- Public Health Internship Applications are due April 4th for Fall 2025
- Kappa Omicron Nu Honor Society for students within Human sciences is accepting applications must have 45 credit hours and a 3.3 GPA
- Next week is Graduate Student Appreciation Week from March 31st to April 3rd, and there are events every day!

#### • Dean Meeting Recap

Coming up with ideals for study space and lounge, working with staff to create more interactive engagement between professors and students, and he will also come up with solutions for advising misinformation.

• I'm open to feedback, concerns, and ideas so please don't hesitate to reach out my email: <u>tdr050@shsu.edu</u>

## **Committee Reports**

### A. Parking Enforcement Committee– Matthew Neal

- Tabled Monday in the plaza from 10-12
- We're tabling this Wednesday in the plaza from 10-12.
- Next meeting is Wednesday at 3:30 in the SGA office.
- Let me know if you want to be in the GroupMe.

### B. Rec Hours Committee– Munachi Mogekwu

• *Join the GroupMe for the rec hours Committee* 



#### A. Old Business

#### - FSL TownHall

Feedback:

Chief of Staff: Expressed gratitude to all attendees for their participation and feedback.

President Scott: Noted that this event had one of the highest attendances across all Greek life gatherings he has attended.

Chair Gordon: As a new member of Greek life, shared that it was a valuable experience to understand the assistance each council requires.

Director Temple: Recommended increasing the number of microphones at the next Town Hall to facilitate better communication.

### - Resolution S-25-01

President Scott entertained that Resolution S-25-01 be moved off the table.

- Moved by Director Washington
- Second by Director Toscano

President Scott entertained to pass the resolution regardless of the grammar errors.

- Motion made by Chair Coleman
- Seconded by Director Underwood
  - Resolution S-25-01, passes.

### **B.** New Business

- President Scott entertaining the motion to approve Connor Brett
  - Moved by Director Henderson
  - o Second by Senator Mugekwu
    - Questions:
      - Senator Balfour: Can you serve in both positions at the same time?
        - Attorney General Brett answered with yes, he can.
      - Senator Smith: What are the duties of Attorney General
    - Voting on the approval: PASSES

- Congratulations to Attorney General Brett.
- Kateleen Kent (COSET)
  - o 3/17/2025 Community Affairs (Sent Campus Resources for SAAM)
  - 3/21/2025 Public Relations (Alcohol Awareness Tabling)
    - Entertained by President
    - Moved by Director Washington
    - Second by COSET Chair Castro

Point of Information: Director Trowbridge inquired whether Council Member Kent had completed the required Public Relations office hour.

Motion for Recess: Senator Balfour moved for a three-minute recess. Motion passed.

Meeting resumed at 7:11 PM.

Motion to Suspend the Rules: Director Washington moved to suspend the rules due to a technical error.

Motion to End Debate: Senator Balfour moved to end debate. Seconded by Director Temple. Motion to end debate passed.

Vote on Suspending the Rules: The motion to suspend the rules failed.

Motion to End Debate: Senator Amari moved to end debate. Seconded by Senator Smith.

Motion to Table Discussion: Director Temple moved to table the matter until the following meeting to allow Council Member Kent to complete the required office hour.

Motion to End Debate: Senator Amari moved to end debate. Seconded by Senator Smith. Motion passed.

Vote on Tabling the Motion: Motion to table the discussion until the next meeting passed. The voting will resume on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

• Damikka Willis (CAM)

- o 3/6/2025 Student Affairs (Donate shirt for DIY dog toy)
- 3/20/2025 Student Affairs (Sent email describing details reserving Intramural 3)
- o 3/20/2025 Public Relations (Reel participation)
- Moved by Director Temple
- Second by Senator Braulio
  - Passes, congratulations!

#### **Open** Forum

#### A. Announcements

- E. Motion to Adjourn Meeting at 8:05pm
- Entertained by President Scott
- Moved by Senator Tellis
- Second by Senator Ford
- Uni pass.