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Senate Meeting #5 – January 14th, 2025

- Call to Order at 6pm

- 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: 48 Senator, 5 Executive Board members, Total: 66

- Certify Meeting Minutes 11/12/2024
 - -Entertained by President Scott
 - Motion made by Parliamentarian Brett
 - Seconded by Chair Coleman
 - -Uni. Pass

Officer Reports

A. Chief of Staff Macias

- Office Hours: Mondays and Wednesdays 11am-12pm!
- Make sure to have your office hours done by SATURDAY AT 11:59Pm, please communicate if you need an extension.
- The Senator and Caucus Office hours sheets are in BB.
- If you guys need anything, please reach out to me!!

B. 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 is not submitted 4-5 weeks before the event, I will NOT approve the request nor will President Scott or VP Rojas-Caballero
- All room or plaza reservations must be submitted 2-3 weeks in advance but I recommend submitting it when you submit your purchase request
- Things to keep in mind :REMINDERS
 - i. Purchase Request and Plaza/room reservation must be made in separate emails
 - ii. The Words "Purchase Request" should be in the subject title when Emailing me the form
 - iii. The same goes for "Room/Plaza Reservations
 - iv. When submitting a purchase request, do not attach links in the description section, it is meant for the description of the items! Links should be attached in the actual body of the email
- Examples of a purchase requests, plaza/room reservation, and emails can be found on blackboard under the expenditure tab
- Email: <u>llh033@shsu.edu</u>

C. Secretary Salmeron

- Office Hours: Monday 9am-10am, Friday 9am-10am
- Spring Retreat: This Saturday, January 18th from 9am-5pm
 - Mandatory event for all SGA members
- Blackboard is updated
 - Spring 25 roster is updated as well!
 - Thank you for being here!
- Attendance: If you will not be at mandatory events or Senate meetings,

please let me know by Tuesday's at 1pm.

D. Vice President Rojas-Caballero

- Office Hours: Starting next week
 - o Monday- 9:00am-10:30am, 3:15-4:00
 - If you need to meet with me outside of that feel free to reach out!
- Orange tie
 - GC has been made, working on scheduling a meeting
 - RSVP Form
 - o April 29th, 2025 at 6:00pm
- TSUS SAB Report assistance
 - Main focus is student retention
 - Sub-topics: Student engagement, mental health, career/internship opportunities
- Internal Affairs will have their first meeting 1/27 at 6:00pm in the SGA Office
- SGA Retreat is 1/18 THIS WEEKEND!!!!
 - Starting at 9:00am

E. President Scott

- Happy New Year!!!
- SHC Vending Machine Update
- Survey for SAB please scan QR Code:



 If you are interested in joining the BHM Planning Committee, please scan the QR code to join the group me: 1st meeting will be next Monday at 5:30PM in the SGA Office



- I wish you all a great semester. SGA will have quiet study times between the hours of 8-10:30am Monday –Thursday. Remember we're not majoring in SGA!
- P.S. filing opens March 3 for SGA Elections (Election schedule will be out soon. Please don't ask me

Director Reports

A. Community Affairs – Angela Toscano and Akylia Washington

- Meetings are on Thursday @2pm in SGA Office (LSC 314) with Zoom Available
- First meeting is this Thursday (Jan. 16)
- Keep It Warm Drive
 - o Wednesday, January 15 Friday, January 31
 - o Gloves, Blankets, Jackets, Sweaters, Hoodies, Beanies, etc.
- Huntsville City Council Meeting on January 21 @6pm
- National Human Trafficking Prevention Event
 - o Wednesday, Jan 29 @3pm-5pm, LSC 230A
- B.A.P.I 2025 Posters, flyers, and yard signs have came in!
- Our Emails <u>adl080@shsu.edu</u> & <u>aiw010@shsu.edu</u>

B. Student Affairs - Lily Temple-Dozier and Aly Underwood

- Welcome back everyone! I'm excited to be back in the courtroom with you all!
- Our meetings are Tuesdays at 4:00pm in the SGA office (zoom is available if requested an hour before the meeting starts)

- Our meetings will start up again next week on January
- Upcoming Events:
 - New Year, New Me
 - January 23rd , 4-6 PM
 - Create Vision Boards with us
 - If anyone has any old magazines, you can give them to us!
 - Spread the Love
 - Thursday, February 13th, 11:00am 4:00pm in LSC 320
 - Providing students with access to real roses and personalized cards to celebrate Valentine's Day
 - We will need members fill in time slots for the event, see us to participate!
- \circ $\,$ When submitting office hours please email them to the both of us.
- If you have any SGA questions or need guidance, please let us know, we'd love to help!
- o Email: aeu003@shsu.edu lkt009@shsu.edu

C. Public Relations - Rhiannon Guel & Adison Trowbridge

- Welcome back!! We hope y'all had a great start to the new year!
- Meetings will be on Mondays at 3:00 in the SGA office starting next week
- 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 Directors and Chairs.
- Keeping it Warm went up yesterday!
- New Year, New Me
- Spread the Love
- We are thinking of having canva and lightroom info sessions for our department members soon!
- If you have any ideas for PR or need to send in a request email us at <u>rlg080@shsu.edu</u> <u>axt158@shsu.edu</u>

D. Rules and Regulations- Emarie Schweikhardt

- Meetings at 4:00pm on Thursday starting this week
- Please contact me if you have ideas for legislation
 - Email: <u>eps017@shsu.edu</u>

F. Director of Council – Alyssa Rodriguez

- Welcome to the first meeting of the semester!
- If you are stating your intent, stay back so I can gather your information and read your post-intent email.
- Feel free to ask any questions : <u>amr257@shsu.edu</u>



D. Director of Caucus/COBA Caucus Chair – Abigail Dittman

- I am meeting with the Coordinator at the Small Business Development Center this month.
- I am contacting the Main Street Program of Huntsville.
- I am still attempting to contact those at the Huntsville Chamber of Commerce, the President of the organization is no longer we will make adjustments.-- Business
- For Chairs, I am reaching out to district boards and superintendents for Education and organizations for each chair.
- Scheduling a meeting with Dean Self
- Email: <u>Agd039@shsu.edu</u>

Chair Reports

B. Sciences, Engineering and Technology – Emmy Castro

- Florecemos!
- Shared schedule with COSET Ambassadors for the semester!

- Scheduling COSET and Dean Holt meeting
- STEM center mentoring program meeting updates
- Sorting scholarships with Dr. Lester updates
- Any further questions can be directed to me at <u>enc033@shsu.edu</u> or come see me after today's meeting!
- If you are a voted in member, please join the Group Me!



C. Humanities and Social Sciences – Ashari Gordan O (DID NOT UPDATE REPORT)

D. Arts and Media – Daijion Jackson

- Welcome back everyone I hope you had a great brake
- I will be sending our meeting schedule to my dean and getting the first meeting with dean anderson set up
- I have plans for a C.A.M movie night which i will be sharing details on during my Cauce meeting (TBD)
- January 29th at 12-2 pm C.A.M will be having a FASFA workshop (open to all majors)
- If you have any questions my email is <u>ddj041@shsu.edu</u>

E. Education – Alexis Argueta

- First and foremost
- Welcome Back
 - I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable winter break, spending quality time with loved ones and taking the opportunity to recharge
 - I am thrilled to begin the Spring Semester and look forward to the opportunities it will bring.
- COE Ambassadors Update
 - The COE Ambassadors have expressed interest in meeting with me, which I see as a valuable opportunity to foster collaboration.

- I intend to request permission to speak briefly at one of their meetings to highlight the advantages of joining the Student Government Association (SGA) and how it aligns with their goals.
- Meeting with Dean Edmondson
 - I am in the process of scheduling a meeting with Dean Edmondson to discuss initiatives and explore ways to further engage the College of Education community.
 - Efforts are being made to accommodate her demanding schedule.
- Goals for the Semester
 - I am deeply honored to serve in this position and am committed to fulfilling my responsibilities with dedication.
 - My primary objective is to unite the COE Senators, fostering stronger collaboration and communication.
 - By the end of the semester, I aim to see the establishment of a full College of Education caucus, ensuring that all voices within the COE are represented effectively.
- I've created a **GroupMe** to help foster connections among us! While we may be small, we will undoubtedly be mighty. The QR code to join is included below.



- F. Criminal Justice Je'hmory Coleman
 - (DID NOT UPDATE REPORT)
- G. Health Sciences Tyree Roberts
 - I reached out to Interim Dean Zapalac to set up a meeting

- I will be reaching out to COHS student organizations to introduce myself and attend their meetings if possible
- Work on recruitment so we can fill seats (tabling in Lee Drain)
- We will expand our ideals for events that we would like to see in the COHS
- I'm open to feedback, concerns, and ideals so please don't hesitate to reach out my email: <u>tdr050@shsu.edu</u>
- Thank you for the opportunity and welcome back everyone let's get to work!
- Group me for COHS senators



A. Old Business B. New Business - SGA Spring Retreat

Vote In's:

- Kennady Scott COHS
- Entertained by President Scott
- Motion made by Director Washington
- Seconded by Director Toscano
- 28 Yays, 1 Nay, 15 Abstentions
- Passes!

Stated Intents:

- Kayla Roan: COED
- Clarence Williams: COCJ
- Talesia Fuller: CAM
- Brennan Wood: COCJ
- Ashton Droll: CHSS
- Henry Cash: COSET
- Laila XX: CHSS
- Sarah Aguilera: CHSS
- Amina Alasi: COCJ
- Jesus P: COHS
- Neveah Tillis: COHS

Open Forum

Open to discuss anything from the meeting.

Stated Intents:

- Senator Moody: "I was wondering if we can discuss the feasibility of putting all the caucus GroupMe's on blackboard, so we don't just have to have them on a slide."
 - Answered by President Scott, Director Dittman, Secreatary Salmeron:
 "Yes, we will get that done."

C. Announcements

Outside of SGA reminders.

- UBUNTU: General meeting January 20th in the LSC 312 at 5pm

- Talented Tenth: Dreams Day celebration to commemorate Martin Luther King at Cape Bar, Ross Park.

- Greek Assembly: Tuesday 28th at 6pm.
- Keeping It Warm: Please make sure to donate, bin is in the office!

E. Motion to Adjourn Meeting at 6:53pm

- Entertained by President Scott
- Motion made by Senator
- Seconded by Director Dittman

 Uni pass.