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Senate Meeting #2 – September 5th, 2023

A. *Call to Order @ 6:02PM*

B. *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."

C. *Texas Pledge*

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

D. *Roll Call* - 7 senators: 3 e-board: 21 total

E. *Icebreaker*

Where is your favorite place to eat on campus?



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Officer Reports

A. Chief of Staff Ivory

- Updated purchase request & example
 - o Please check it out! If you have any questions, let myself or Kezia know!
- Updated office hour form, please make sure you are logging your hours and that they are beneficial to the department's operations! Office hours will be due weekly, every Friday @8pm.
- Disclaimer: Attending an event does not count as office hours, that is something that should be expected of you as members of SGA.
- “Teamwork divides the task and multiplies the success.”
- Submitted survey questionnaire to get an overview of the student body’s opinion on campus dining hours. Once we receive the statistics, we can move forward with writing legislation. I also will be making some final touches that Dean Smith requested, for this survey to go to the student body. University affairs will be tasked with tabling in the dining halls to help notify the student body of the survey, possibly posting a QR code of flyer.
- I visited the parking enforcements office to gain more information on this year's parking, which I was told nothing has changed. If you have any questions, I have a copy of their policy and Liv is well versed on this subject if any questions arise.



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B. Treasurer Fredrick

- All directors now have access to the 2023-2024 Budget so all purchases moving forward will reflect that.
- Go through the Expenditures Tab on Blackboard to find the purchase request form, financial reports, FAQs, and examples.
- The Financial Reports tab has been updated to reflect the new budgets. Please don't edit yourself, it's just for you to see how much you're spending. Kezia will keep it updated.
- ALL Purchase Requests need to be made at least 1 month in advance.
- When submitting a Purchase Request, Kezia needs the actual form (this is on blackboard) and an email with all the links.
- All LSC Room Reservation requests need to be made 2 weeks before the reservation date. Email Kezia with the date, room you would like, backup room, estimated attendance, preferred setup, and any equipment you need.

C. Secretary Cheng

- I have created a plan of action template for senators/directors to use when planning events for SGA!
 - The purpose of this template is that in the case the main planner of the event is not able to attend for some circumstance, someone else could look at the POA and know exactly what to do. I will be sending the POA via email, as well as posting it on Blackboard.
- I am waiting for Jeanine Bias to email me the slides from the Town hall we had last Tuesday. I will be sending out the Town hall meeting notes whenever I am able to get the slides.



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D. Vice President Scott

- Internal Affairs meets bi-weekly via zoom on Mondays at 6pm
- Attended COBA Student Leaders Breakfast with President Calderon Last Thursday
- Reserving rooms and setting date for Spring 2024 Orange Tie Affair
- Deans Call will be Wednesday, November 1st, 2023, at 11:30AM in LSC 242 (Glass Room)
 - o Any ideas on how to make this event better than the past please get with myself and new Director of Caucus at your earliest convenience.
 - o Mark this in your calendars! It is a great time to discuss with the Dean's about our concerns as a Student Body and hear their answers.

E. President Calderon

- Faculty/Staff & Student Justices Appointments
 - o Austin Dixon, Gene Roberts, Aneika Simmons, Jalon Berry, Bradley Seaberg
 - o Ranada Mingo, Kameron Thomas, Ryan Villanueva, Alejandra Rodriguez, **Holly Walker, Andrew Cox**
- Election Commission Appointments
 - o Kaylee Coyne, Daniela Luna, **Kara Fleming, Sandy Schoeneberg**
- Department Appointments
 - o Department of Student Affairs Interim Director Aly Underwood
 - o Director of Caucus Interim is Alison Ulloa



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- Campus life development fund: Need a list of alternate members
 - Reach out to Veronica if you're interested!
- American Democracy Project: Meeting with Steven Koether to discuss future Voter plans for October on 9/6 @10am
- PharmD Kendra Bookman and Executive Dir. Of the SHC Erica Bumpers to discuss contraceptive products in a vending machine in the library and the campus wide survey by Chief of Staff Ivory
- CFO & VP of Operations Amanda Withers 1:1 meeting on 9/8 @9am
- Attended a VPSA Search zoom with hiring company to discuss qualities needed for the job description on 8/31, will have another one on 9/18
 - Current VPSA is interim!

Director Reports

A. External Affairs – Vacant

B. University Affairs – Director Hernandez

- First meeting Wednesday 9/6 at 4pm on zoom
- Spoke with Juan Nunez about coming out to safety walk and giving a speech on what safety walk is and why it is beneficial to the student body
- Also spoke with Nicole Ivory to get a feel for how we want safety walk to play out this semester such as tabling, and the specifics!



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C. Student Affairs – Interim Director Underwood

- Tuesdays at 1pm in the SGA office LSC 314.
- Interested in event planning? Join us at the meeting!

D. Public Relations – Director Salmeron

- Event calendar for scheduling moving forward is in progress.
- Meetings will be on Tuesday at 1pm.
 - o This week's meeting is Friday at 3:15PM in place of Tuesday.
- Rebranding the SHSU SGA social media accounts.
- Finishing up current flyer requests.

E. Rules and Regulations – Interim Director Brett

- Meetings will be every other Thursday from 8:30-9:30AM. Our next meeting will September 14th
- If you are interested in writing bills and resolutions affecting the student body, please be sure to show up to those meetings and voice your concerns.

F. Director of Caucus – Interim Director Ulloa

- Will still serve as a caucus chair for their college along with leading other chairs.
- Recruit caucus chairs for each college.
- “Dean’s Call” – biannual, fall and spring date TBD



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G. Director of Council – Director Underwood

- Correcting terminology, PNM to Council Member.
- We have 16 council members currently in the senator process!
- We even have the first four vote-ins of the school year coming up.
- If you are a council member, formally known as PNM, please make sure to see me before leaving.
- For directors, take attendance in every department meeting. This is how council members get credit for attending.
- For council members, if you complete an office hour, document it in the senator office hour spreadsheet, so you can be validated by your director. This is how I mark off your office hour requirements for vote-ins.
- If you don't document it, I can't record it. I want to be able to welcome y'all as senators ASAP!
- All council members, see me after the meeting. Feel free to ask me any questions you have!

Chair Reports

A. Graduate

B. Sciences, Engineering and Technology

C. Humanities and Social Sciences

D. Arts and Media

E. Education



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F. Criminal Justice – Chair Taylor

- Jared Taylor stated his intent.
- Liv Hernandez approved; Aly Underwood second
- Unanimous pass!

G. Health Sciences

H. Business Administration

Committee Reports

A. Menstrual Equity Committee

- Updated Signage is completed as well as new promotional Signage for buildings that do not have dispensers and would like to purchase one
- Looking for committee members (Anywhere between 2-5)! We have 22 dispensers on campus and are planning on continuing to expand... So all and any help is appreciated.
- Follow Project M.E on Instagram @shsu.projectme!

B. Celebratory Event Committee

- Vacant chair! Let Veronica know if you're interested.

C. Student Life Committee

- Vacant chair! Let Veronica know if you're interested.



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D. Civic Engagement Committee

- Election Day: November 7th 7am-7pm
- Do research on local, state, federal voter data to raise voter efficacy throughout the entire year
- Get deputized at the Walker County Annex before October
 - Veronica was deputized last year! Reach out if you're interested.

General Information

A. Old Business

B. New Business

- Vote In's
 - Motioned by Aly Underwood
 - Second by Connor Brett
 - Unanimous pass

 - Sophie Powers
 - Motioned by Veronica Calderon
 - Second by Connor Brett
 - Unanimous pass
 - Brad Williams
 - Motioned by Jared Scott
 - Second by Connor Brett
 - Unanimous pass



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- Britney Torres
 - Motioned by Jared Scott
 - Second by Liv Hernandez
 - Unanimous pass
- Hailey Patterson
 - Motioned by Rianna Flores
 - Second by Alison Ulloa
 - Unanimous pass
- Hector Garcia
 - Motioned by Alison Ulloa
 - Second by Jared Scott
 - Unanimous pass
- Stating intents
 - Alyssa Hernandez
 - Kevin Redmond
 - Stated intent at the town hall as well.
 - Jmya Hughes

C. Open Forum

- Brad Williams stated his intent for Caucus Chair over the College of Humanities and Social Sciences.
 - Maria Rojas-Caballero accepted Brad Williams as the Caucus Chair.
 - Brad Williams is the Caucus Chair for the CHSS.



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- Hector Garcia stated his intent for Caucus Chair over the College of Business Administration.
 - Jared Scott moved to table the vote.
 - Connor Brett Second
 - Tabling—9; Abstained—8
 - Connor Brett roll called the vote.
 - Rollcall of vote
 - Tabling—9; Abstained—8
 - Voting on COBA chair at the next meeting.

D. Announcements

- Brad Williams is a Yik Yak ambassador for SHSU and they are tabling from 10am to 7pm throughout the campus to get more people to sign up for the ambassadors' program! It is \$18/hr. Stop by and learn more!
- Phi Beta Sigma is doing a sock drive with the SAAFE house so please donate to the Fraternity and Sorority Life office this week!
- Buff City Soap is doing a Panhellenic Philanthropy fundraiser. Come support!

E. Motion to Adjourn Meeting @ 6:55PM

- a. Motioned- Veronica Calderon
- b. Second- Jared Scott
- c. Unanimous pass