University of Houston - Downtown

SPECIAL SESSION MINUTES

DATE: Thursday, July 28, 2016

TIME: 2:30pm-4:00pm

LOCATION: A425



STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

MEETING CREATED BY: Mustapha Nyallay MINUTE TAKER: Elizabeth Bosquez

TYPE OF MEETING: Special Session

ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Elizabeth Bosquez	X/X	Peter Akinola	A/A
Ruben Ruiz	A/A	Nghia Nguyen	A/X
William Paul	A/A	Leonor Servillas	A/A
Elias Santibanez	X/A	Kourtney Chacherre	A/A
Jessica Jaimes	X/X	John Locke	A/X
Mykal Peterson	A/A	Mustapha Nyallay	X/A
Hatziri Rancano	X/X	Yufei Geng	A/A
Mukarram Syedshah	X/X	Matthew Garcia	A/A
Richard Jones	A/X	Jovan Freeman	X/A
Esperanza Martinez	A/X	Evan Howell	A/A
Mobeen Azhar	A/A	Faryal Gul	A/A
Kimberly Weber	A/A	Itunu Daramola	A/A
Jessica Delgado	A/A	Kelly Roberts	A/A
Irene Nunez	X/X	Aaron Burgess	A/X
Baltazar Pacheco	A/A	Kayley Bolden	A/A
Patricia Sepulveda	A/A	Miguel Bustamante	A/A
Osama Akrabi	A/A	Rachel Gravlee	X/X
Raymundo Reyes	X/X	Christiana Tegethoff	X/X
Evelyn Garcia	A/A		

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Robert Ridley Maurice Barksdale
Dr. Patrick Jefferson Kiva Alexander
Sonal Mohan Hugo Lagarda
Shay Tatem Juangerardo Parra

AGENDA TOPICS

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. Roll Call

TAKEN BY: Elizabeth Bosquez

2. EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT TIME

Discussion:

Hatziri Rancano:

- -Open forum will not be at the beginning of the meeting.
- -Make sure Secretary has your contact information so that you start receiving updates.
- -GatorPool App is an Executive Board initiative.
- -GatorPool plan is to connect UHD students who live close to each other so they can carpool.
- -Talked about Walk 2 Vote at ASGA Conference in Orlando.
- -We are going to have tabling Monday-Friday.
- -We have tabling in the cafeteria Monday- Thursday, 10-2.
- -We will need volunteers for tabling.
- -We will have an online application for volunteers that will be available 24/7.
- -We will encourage you to use our theme colors for tabling.
- -SGA Day will be one day of the week.
- -Working on volunteer program.
- -Working on getting backpacks with our logo.
- -Working on setting up trainings for what was learned at ASGA conference.
- -Working on setting up training for Robert's Rules of Order.

Elizabeth Bosquez:

- -Send your bills to the Secretary.
- -Contact Secretary to schedule meetings in the SGA Conference room.
- -Minutes will be uploaded on to OrgSync.
- -Send the Secretary your fall schedule.
- -Working on recruiting two people to the Secretariat Department.
- -Helping John with Walk 2 Vote.
- -Giving presentation at freshmen orientation.

Nghia Nguyen:

- -Current budget estimate.
- -Created spreadsheet for budget from last year and this year.
- -Budget cycle starts over in August.
- -Budget will be posted on OrgSync and UHD SGA website.
- -Will receive updated budget from Elena.
- -Working on stipends.

Elias Santibanez:

- -Working on Welcome Week.
- -Working on a social media contest.
- -Working on a video for Welcome Week.
- -Hosting a solidarity walk on August 24th, 10am-11am.
- -Want all SGA members to be a part of solidarity walk.
- -Mustapha giving speech at solidarity walk.

Jessica Jaimes:

- -Working on going to high schools.
- -Working on mission and vision for principles of high schools.
- -Putting together excel sheet of all organizations on campus.

John Locke:

-Registered voters, took pictures, and pledged people at Trae Day.

- -Nick Cannon and Willie D. will help launch social media campaign.
- -Shared Walk 2 Vote model with about 40 universities through a live webinar.
- -Working on getting funding for Walk 2 Vote.

Christiana Tegethoff:

- -Verified Speaker of the House controls the Special Session.
- -Cite: Article 1, Section 6.

3. JUDICIAL REPORT

a. Pro Tem Chief of Justice: Christiana Tegethoff

Discussion:

- -J-Board had a successful mediation meeting.
- -If you have a problem with somebody else, come to a member of the J-Board to set up a meeting.
- -Would like a member of the Senate to become a liaison with the J-Board to discuss constitution requirements.
- -J-Board will be meeting bi-weekly in the office, date: tba.

4. SENATE REPORT TIME

Discussion:

Mukarram Syedshah, College of Business:

- -Contacting professors to get more students involved in SGA.
- -Planning a meeting with Dean of College of Business.

Richard Jones, College of Humanities & Social Sciences:

-No report.

Esperanza Martinez, College of Public Service:

-Working on tabling twice a week.

Irene Nunez, Speaker of the House, Senator-At-Large:

- -Working on taking pictures for the members who do not have pictures.
- -Volunteered for Walk 2 Vote at Trae Day.

Aaron Burgess:

- -Working on Walk 2 Vote.
- -Working on budget for food for J-Board meetings.
- -Need to find reliable people to make it to the meetings.

5. OPEN FORUM

Discussion:

Rachel Gravlee:

-Everyone should know their position and duties.

Aaron Burgess:

-Give an opportunity for members to sign up for committees online.

Irene Nunez:

-Meeting on Thursday, August 4th, 2:30pm-4pm, to vote on bills.

6. EXITING ROLL CALL

TAKEN BY:

Elizabeth Bosquez

7. MEETING ADJOURNED