University of Houston - Downtown

SPECIAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINUTES



STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

DATE: Thursday, November 16th, 2017 TIME: 5:00PM LOCATION: C100

MINUTE TAKER:

Miguel Sanchez

SGA ROLL CALL:

Faryal Gul	X/X	Ramiro Ojeda	A/A
Armita Tajadod	X/X	Jessica Delgado	X/X
Archie Gayle	X/X	Alan Modrow	A/A
Evelyn Garcia	X/X	Jasmin Gallegos	A/A
Shay Tatum	A/A	Diana Platas	X/X
Ignasio Hernandez	X/X	Angela Dawson	A/X
Aileen Sanchez	A/A	Adriana Mendoza	A/A
Deshunna Anthony	A/A	Jesse Uppal	X/X
Thomas Canny	A/X	Irene Nuñez	X/X
Penni Arias	A/A	Carmen Zapata	A/A
Miguel Sanchez	X/X		

AGENDA TOPICS

- 1. Call to Order
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance

Miguel Sanchez

b. Roll Call

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c. Quorum Check

Discussion:

Do not meet quorum

- d. Approval of minutes from previous General Assembly
- e. Approval of the Agenda
- 2. Old Business

a. NCBI Training Bill - Senate will consider a motion to approve

3. New Business

 Pro-Temp Speaker of the Senate Election – the Senate will elect a Pro-Temp Speaker of the Senate for the remainder of the semester.

4. Open Forum

5. Committee Report Time

- a. Campus Safety Committee Jesse Uppal
- b. Constitution Committee Irene Nunez
 - i. 1st meeting yesterday Nov 15th
 - ii. Amendment for service/office hours
 - iii. Setting up meeting with Dean Santos with constitution consultant
 - iv. Tuesdays/Thursdays
- c. Diversity & Equity Committee Jessica Plascencia-Delgado
 - i. 1st committee meeting moved to Monday 5:30PM N420 11/20
- d. Internal Affairs Committee Jesse Uppal
 - i. Investigating officers to hold them accountable
 - ii. Two senators have resigned
 - iii. Meeting Monday 2:30PM
- e. Student Affairs Committee Diana Platas
 - i. 1st meeting Nov 9th
 - ii. Discussed project schoolwide directory
- f. University Advancement Committee Ramiro Ojeda
 - i. Awaiting position for new Provost
 - ii. Dean with CHSS
 - iii. Dean partnership with SGA academic plans
 - iv. Looking to speak with other deans

6. Open Forum

Discussion:

-Food truck concerns

-Parking lot concerns

7. Senator Report Time

- a. College of Humanities & Social Sciences: Shay Tatum
- b. College of Public Service: Deshunna Anthony & Jesse Uppal
 - i. Trying to move food trucks from Business building near commerce
 - ii. Trying to set up coffee shop near commerce
- c. College of Science and Technology: Ignasio Hernandez & Aileen Sanchez
 - i. Working on Blood Drive for next semester
 - ii. Safety Walk information
 - 1. Find different areas to place bubble mirrors

- d. University College: Adriana Mendoza
- e. Senators-At-Large
 - i. Thomas Canny
 - 1. Sit on student affairs, constitutional committees
 - 2. Trying to draft a memo to financial aid
 - 3. Trying to get info to when financial aid works through financial disbursement
 - ii. Jessica Plascencia-Delgado
 - 1. Provost candidate interview
 - 2. Tabling
 - 3. Committee logistics; diversity and equity
 - iii. Angela Dawson
 - 1. Student affairs committee
 - a. Student directory
 - 2. Drafting memo for financial aid
 - iv. Alan Modrow
 - 1. Staffing Board of Regents meeting
 - v. Ramiro Ojeda
 - 1. Attended last two provost presentations
 - 2. Asking provost candidates how they will work to provide resources
 - 3. Head of a committee
 - a. Spoken to deans to talk about their alignment with their curriculum for their students
 - vi. Diana Platas
 - 1. Student Affairs Committee
 - a. Working on Student Directory
 - b. Committee will meet every other Thursday after 5:30PM
 - c. Research project to find out what each resource is for
 - d. Participated in Safety Walk

8. Judicial Report Time

- a. Chief Justice: Irene Nunez
 - i. Attend last two provost presentations
 - ii. Sit in on provost interview
 - iii. How can students and faculty collaborate with SGA
 - iv. COO HPV Event

9. Presidential Report Time

- a. President: Faryal Gul
 - i. Safety Walk
 - 1. SGA has list of recommendations
 - a. Email list to administration to implement the recommendations
 - 2. Safety Walk Part II Date is TBA (late November)
 - a. Includes Commerce and COB, parking lots

- ii. Board of Regents
 - 1. Voiced these concerns to Student Regent;
 - a. Science and Technology Building
 - b. New Student Life Center
 - c. Dorms
 - d. Resting Center
- iii. Applications
 - 1. Student Regent Applications
 - 2. Application for Coordinating Board
 - 3. SGA Applications
 - a. Going up before Spring semester

10. Executive Report Time

- a. Vice President: Armita Tajadod
 - i. Provost Candidate meeting
 - 1. Questions included;
 - a. Plans for UHD long and short term
 - b. Financial aid
 - c. Advising
 - d. Faculty role
 - ii. Charging Stations
 - 1. Starting off with 6 locations but looking to expand
 - 2. They have UHD and SGA logo on them
 - 3. Available Spring Semester
 - 4. Marketing Campaign for Charging Stations; Spread the word!!
 - 5. As technology advances IT will handle cord issues
- b. Assistant to the President: Archie Gayle
 - i. Meet and Greet
 - 1. Fell through because of insufficient planning
 - 2. Hoping to create Meet and Greet in the Spring
 - 3. Working to create an SGA specific Meet and Greet
 - ii. Secret Santa
 - iii. Tabling
 - 1. Got concerns from many students and cadet students
 - iv. Events for Spring Semester
 - 1. Mental/Physical Health Awareness Week
 - a. Officers should focus on one event (officers to lead events per each
 - day)
 - 2. Concert
 - 3. Around the World
- c. Chief of Staff: Evelyn Garcia
 - i. Business Cards for Officer

- 1. Name
- 2. Position
- 3. Address of school
- 4. Office number
- 5. Student email address
- 6. Web address
- 7. Will share doc to review for accurate info to go on Business Cards
- ii. Discount Cards
 - 1. Working with Armita to finalize restaurants and stores
- iii. Changing Tabling to an Interactive Platform
 - 1. Assigning an area where officers will engage students rather than tabling
- iv. Working to fix Presidents Plaque
 - 1. Contacting past presidents
 - 2. Contacting faculty members
- v. Sweatshirts
 - 1. Order put on hold because university has to confirm logo
- vi. Small boards
 - 1. Accidently ordered only one (1)
 - 2. Other six (6) were ordered and will be arriving soon
- vii. Large board
 - 1. Arrived today
- viii. Secret Santa
 - 1. Created slips
- ix. SGA Social/Potluck
- x. Health Week
 - 1. Officers are encouraged to participate in an event
- d. Director of Student Engagement: Penni Arias
- e. Secretary: Miguel Sanchez
 - i. Participated in the Safety Walk Part I
 - ii. Visited two freshman seminar classes with Mr. Kwasikpui to spread word about SGA.
 - 1. Critical to target freshman because we get them engaged early
 - iii. Interviewed Provost candidates with Armita, Penni, Jesse, Jessica, Dean Santos, Mr. Kwasikpui, and Irene.

11. Open Forum

- 12. Exiting Roll Call
- 13. Adjournment