TAMUCC SGA Meeting Minutes 10.4.17

I. Call to Order 12:20 PM

II. Roll Call Justin Bustos, Friederike Davis, Connar Allen, Alexis Richardson, Allen Graham, Cassandra Sheick, Alexis Gordon, Kelly Rojas, Alexandra Phongsavone, Clayton Swift, Kirk Jorgenson, Arturo Burgueno, Andrea Gilson, Olumide Adeoye, Jacquelyn Lara, Kristin Strittmatter, Katie Seabolt, Dr. Lisa Perez and Dr. Don Albrecht.

III. Islander Pledge

IV. Guest Introductions

V. Approval of Minutes
   i. September 27th – Will be approved at next week’s meeting, 10/11/17.

VI. President’s Report
   i. Corpus Christi City Councilman Greg Smith
      - Greg Smith is the District 4 City Councilman representative for Corpus Christi. TAMUCC is part of District 4.
      - Councilman Smith spoke on the importance of leadership. Leadership is an important skill because it can be used to motivate people and get things done.
      - Four critical success factors found in successful leaders consist of having a strong work ethic, persistence, being organized and willingness to take risks.
      - There are different forms of success and leaders need to be successful.
      - Councilman Smith recommended to be knowledgeable of the basics of finances and be open minded when listening to different points of view.
   ii. Pocket Points
      - The purpose of Pocketpoints is to help students stay off their phones allowing for them to be more engaged during class.
      - Pocketpoints is a free app that is downloaded to the individual’s smart phone. When the app is used by the individual during class, they can earn points via a timer. Once they have earned a certain amount of points they can redeem the points for rewards. Pocketpoints has a partnership with a variety of businesses and retailers.
      - Pocketpoints is based in California and is emerging nationwide. It currently being used at over 200 universities and 37 high schools throughout the country.
      - The app has had over 400 downloads from students and faculty at TAMUCC.
      - A marketing representative for Pocketpoints presented at Texas A&M College Station SGA and the TAMU Senate wrote a resolution supporting it.
      - The Senate was asked to consider writing a resolution supporting Pocketpoints at TAMUCC.

VII. Vice President’s Report
   i. Committee Chair Appointments
      i. Pablo Rivera, Student Affairs Chair
      - Vice President Davis presented her appointment of Pablo as the new Chair for Student Affairs. Senator Lara motioned for the Committee Chair appointment, which was seconded by Senator Graham.
      - Pablo introduced himself and answered questions asked by the senators about himself and his interest in the position.
- The senators discussed the appointment. Vice President Davis and President Bustos answered questions regarding the selection process, what Student Affairs Committee does and responsibilities of Committee Chairs.

- Speaker Allen proposed to table the appointment because more time was needed before the senators could make a decision. The Senate voted and 2/3 Senate vote was met resulting in the appointment being tabled.

ii. Cidnee Lesure, Spirits & Traditions Co-Chair
- Vice President Davis presented her appointment of Cidnee as the new Co-Chair for Spirits & Traditions. Senator Lara motioned for the Committee Chair appointment, which was seconded by Senator Gilson.

- Cidnee introduced herself and answered questions asked by the senators about herself and her interest in the position.

- The senators discussed the appointment. Vice President Davis answered questions regarding the selection process and Senator Torres spoke about his knowledge of Cidnee.

- The Senators voted and 2/3 majority approval was met resulting in the appointment being confirmed.

VIII. Chief Justice’s Report
i. Appeals: 14 total
- Of the 14, 2 were approved, 6 were reduced and 6 were denied.

ii. Associate Justice appointments
- Chief Justice Richardson and President Bustos held interviews on October 3rd for the two vacant positions.
- Both appointees had to leave for class but Chief Justice Richardson provided brief background details about them to the Senate.
- The Senate was invited to meet the appointees at the Judicial Board meeting.

IX. Speaker’s Report
i. E-Board meeting
- Planned the details of Town Hall and disperse the responsibilities among E-Board members.

ii. Senator Antonio Sanchez Letter
- Senator Sanchez sent out a letter to the Senate explaining the reason he misses the Senate meetings is because he has class during this time. As a nursing major, these classes are required by his degree and only offered during this time period.

X. Senator Reports
i. Freshman Senators

i. SGA TV
- The First Year Council has been working on this project for the past few weeks. They displayed their rough draft version as evidence of proof of concept.

ii. College of Liberal Arts

iii. College of Graduate Studies

iv. College of Nursing and Health Sciences

v. College of Business

vi. Athletics Senator

vii. Disabilities Senator

viii. College of Science & Engineering
ix. Veterans Senator

XI. Committee Reports
i. Environmental Affairs
   - Committee Meeting held on October 4th from 5-6 PM in UC Island Room 316.
   - Writing resolution for triple stream waste bins.

ii. Catering Incentive Fund
   - Catering Incentive Fund committee will go over the CIF applications on October 5th in UC Copano from 10:00 am- 12:00 pm. Anyone interested in joining the committee is encouraged to attend.
   - Treasurer Paez attended the UCSO’s Special Event Funding committee meeting. The total amount for allocation this fiscal year is $28,075.00.
   - There were 8 applications total this month, of which 7 were approved and 1 was denied.
   - The total amount requested from all the applications were $5,473.47. The total amount that the committee approved was $5,373.47.

XII. Old Business

XIII. New Business

XIV. Advisor’s Report
- Izzys Food Pantry has been operating for one month and students have been utilizing the service.
- Various clubs and organizations have expressed interest to donate items.

XV. Treasurer’s Report
- The transactions to hit the account was transfer of the Special Event Fund to UCSO, student wages and phone.

XVI. Open Forum
- Senator Gilson is selling hearts for a $1.00 for the Heart Walk.
- Senator Seabolt will be meeting with the Athletic Director on Friday October 6th at 9:00 AM.
- The Liberal Arts Senators proposed the idea of Donuts with the Dean and are working on finalizing the details.

XVII. Announcements
i. Fall Town Hall Meeting is Friday, October 13th. 12PM-2PM
ii. Meeting with Dr. Quintanilla October 20th 11AM-12PM
iii. Flu Clinic for Students/Staff/Faculty-10/11, 10/25, 11/1
iv. Graduate and Professional School Fair-10/31
v. Veteran’s, Criminal Justice and Government Fair-11/7
vi. Careers in Education Fair-11/8

XVIII. Final Roll Call Justin Bustos, Friederike Davis, Connar Allen, Alexis Richardson, Allen Graham, Cassandra Sheick, Alexis Gordon, Alexandra Phongsavone, Richard Torres, Clayton Swift, Kirk Jorgenson, Haylee Haire, Arturo Burgueno, Andrea Gilson, Olumide Adeoye, Jacquelyn Lara, Kristin Strittmatter, Katie Seabolt, Esmerald Rodriguez, Dr. Lisa Perez and Dr. Don Albrecht.

XIX. Adjournment 1:49