



# STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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## **I Call to Order: 12:20**

## **II Roll Call**

- i Senator Punjwani
- ii Senator Orvis
- iii Senator Sanchez
- iv Representative Minjarez
- v Senator Yarbrough
- vi Senator Ducusin
- vii Senator Andrew
- viii Senator Coiner
- ix Senator Hull
- x Senator Killian
- xi Senator A. Rodriguez

## **III Quorum (Y/N)- Yes**

## **IV Approval of the Minutes- Approved as Distributed**

## **V Officer Reports**

### **i President**

#### **a Lisa Perez**

(1) Provost wants to send out a “Happy Holidays” video

(a) Looking for 4-5 students to be in the video

(b) Available dates are Friday from 12-1, and Monday from 12-2

(c) Interest sheet is going around, the date with the most interest will be the one date that there

b Sebastian King- Will be here in the Spring 2015, interested in joining

c Daniel Shaheen- Sophomore Finance major, interested in the treasurer position

(1) For: 10, Against 1, Abstain 1

(2) Passes he will be activated as Treasurer immediately

## **VI Vice-President**

(1) No report

## **VII Senator Reports**

### **i Freshman Senator**

- a** Attended RA meeting, Rachel from the Dining Hall and Amy from Student Activities were both in attendance
- b** UC should be open in the Fall of 2015
  - (1)** Panda Express, Pizza Hut, and Chic-Fil-A
  - (2)** Looking at a Vegan/Healthier section
  - (3)** Looking at reforming block and commuter meal plans
  - (4)** Also, looking at adding options with the new restaurants in the UC
- c** CASA and SOAR are concerns due to lack of advertising
- d** Overall, Freshman and other students are unaware of all of their on-campus resources that are available to them
  - (1)** *Senator Hull* points out that this does have the potential to be added to more presentations at New Student Orientation
  - (2)** *Senator Punjwani* mentions that there is a possibility or that it may be a good idea to hold workshops to inform the students on how to connect yourself through technological means
- e** *Ms. Perez* brought up the possibility of going to the Orientation Coordinators, to be able to let them know to possibly add this to the BlackBoard presentation, she will inform as to when the next Orientation Advisory Committee meeting is.

### **ii College of Science and Engineering**

- a** Brought Pezold the DFW data, still cleaning it up
  - (1)** So far the largest are Math, Biology 1406, and Anatomy and Physiology
- b** Met with Dr. Matthews who is the Director of SOAR, TRIO, and McNair
  - (1)** Took note that Freshmen don't take advantage of the tools that they are offered through the university
- c** Next Wednesday there will be a Thanksgiving Lunch, IH 139, Email will be sent out for those who will still be here
- d** Discussed the TAMUCC Day at the Capitol

- e 87% of our new freshman class were STEM majors

### **iii College of Education**

- a Made short term goals for the upcoming semester
  - (1) Enrollment, normally starts high, then drops
  - (2) Wants to evaluate other colleges with ours
  - (3) Keep in contact with Alumni
  - (4) Wants to work with SGA, to work with the Faculty Senate
  - (5) Working on a mass email to get more SGA participation from the College of Education
  - (6) Ms. Perez suggested with meeting with Amanda Alsup

## **VIII Committee Reports**

### **i Parking and Transportation**

- a Representative not in attendance, will be brought up at next meeting

### **ii Expressive Activities**

- a Meeting today at 3:30

## **IX Old Business**

- i HPG 5K Committee – Jasmine Rodriguez
  - a Not in attendance, no report
- ii Islander Lights – THIS Friday November 21<sup>st</sup> 5-6:30pm, 4:30 for setup in the CI Courtyard
  - a Sign-up sheet is on OrgSync and Facebook
- iii Late Night Breakfast
  - a VP Rodriguez decided to buy the content of the basket, donations will be accepted
- iv Ebola Presentation
  - a Voted on Thursday February 12
  - b Looking at getting food costs for the event

## **X New Business**

- i **Homecoming Committee**-if you signed up, be sure to help and stay/get in contact

## **XI Open Forum**

- i Innovation Center Tour:** THIS Friday at 10AM
  - a More information will be sent out**
- ii Point System Committee:** would like to be in place for next semester
  - a *Senator Foster* brought up that we may amend the point value related to office hours
  - b *Senator Punjwani* thinks that this should be finalized at the first meeting semester
  - c *VP Rodriguez* points out that we have already voted on the Point System starting a trial period next semester
    - (1) Also that if you do have ideas and amendments, to attend a Committee Meeting, everyone will be informed for when the next meeting is
- iii COSGA:** Need to finalize details on who we have going, February 28 is the main date that we are looking at
- iv Office Hours-** will be enforced next semester, same with Dress Code

## **XII Announcements**

- i** Islander Catholic is having a Canned Food Drive through the end of November, also having a coat drive with Salvation Army, and making sack lunches this Saturday for the homeless if interested in helping 8AM
- ii** Breakers Crew NBA 2K15 Tournament- Nov 20 6pm, IH Gym
- iii** Dr. Matthews is hiring graduate students, if you know any interested who have done data analyzing and teaching SI
- iv** Homecoming Committee is in need of a Co-Chair, Meetings are Friday at 9AM

## **I Roll Call**

## **II Adjournment: 1:28**

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