TAMUCC SGA Senate Meeting: June 21, 2019

I. Call to Order - 2:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call - Breanna Cornell, Stormie Gutierrez, William Hammond, Brittney Held, Jacquelyn Lara, Leanna Leal, Mason Myers, Clayton Swift

III. Islander Pledge

IV. Approval of Minutes

V. Speaker’s Report

VI. President’s Report
   i. Office of Institutional Advancement Meeting
      i. President Garcia met with the Vice President of Institutional Advancement, Jaime Barrera on Wednesday, July 12th. At the meeting, they discussed the role of the Office of Institutional Advancement on campus- which is to increase revenue for the university to use for additional programs outside of the profit made from tuition and fees.
      ii. Upcoming Fall Events
         i. President Garcia has been working with Vice President Held and other members of the executive board to plan upcoming events for the fall semester. She has been making scheduling arrangements and planning details such as topics for a town hall and catering. She is in the process of making budgets for the upcoming events for Senate to review at a later date. She requests everyone make note of the following events and provide feedback for these events that were held last year.
            - Tuesday, August 27th - Bluesday Tuesday Bash from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.
            - Saturday, September 21st - SGA Retreat (Time TBD)
            - Wednesday, September 25th - Swearing In Ceremony from 11:00 to 12:00 p.m.
            - Wednesday, October 30th - Fall Town Hall (Time TBD)

VII. Vice President’s Report
   i. Islander Launch
      i. Vice President Held would like to thank those who have volunteered at Islander Launch. SGA is currently looking for volunteers for the upcoming June 28th Launch for All Majors/Viking Islander Program Participant, the July 8th Islander Launch for College of Science and Engineering, and the July 12th Islander Launch for College of Nursing and Health Sciences/Viking Islander Program. Volunteers will be needed from 10:30-12:30 p.m.
   ii. Comment Boxes
      i. Vice President Held restocked and updated the “What’s the Frustration” Comment Box forms located in the Library, the CI, and the O’Connor buildings. The Executive Board will be checking the boxes weekly until the Fall Semester when the Student Engagement Committee will be taking over.
   iii. College of Education and Human Development Senator Appointment
      i. Vice President Held and Treasurer Swift interviewed Isabella Tolentino for a College of Education and Human Development Senator position. Isabella is a
Kinesiology student that is interested in becoming more involved on campus by joining SGA. Vice President Held believes she would be a great addition to our organization.

- Isabella introduced herself. She is a junior Kinesiology major with a ten month old son. She hopes to implement more support groups or daycare opportunities with these needs.

iv. Executive Board Retreat
   i. President Garcia and Vice President Held have been working together to plan the Executive Board Retreat which will take place on July 12th following the Senate meeting. This retreat will focus on the goals and roles for E-Board this coming session.

v. Meeting Schedule
   i. Vice President Held and President Garcia have cancelled the July 5th Senate Meeting in observation of the Independence Day holiday and the July 19th Senate meeting due to an expected low attendance. The next Senate meeting will be held on July 12th.

VIII. Treasurer’s Report
IX. Chief Justice’s Report
X. First-Year Council Director’s Report
   i. FYC Flyers
      i. Director Myers has created updated FYC Information Flyers for us to distribute at Islander Launch. The flyer will also be posted to our social media pages throughout the summer.
   ii. FYC Fall Retreat
      i. Director Myers is currently organizing the FYC Fall Retreat. His goal for the retreat is to make it fun while still providing valuable knowledge and relationship building needed to prepare members for the upcoming year.
   iii. FYC Organizational Spreadsheet
      i. Director Myers is also contemplating the structure of FYC for the upcoming year and goals he would like to see FYC accomplish.

XI. Senator Reports
XII. Committee Reports
   i. Institutional Effectiveness for Academic Units
      i. On Tuesday, I attended the Institutional Effectiveness for Academic Units Committee meeting on behalf of Vice President Held. The focus on this committee is to find ways to better our academic programs and experiences at TAMUCC. The committee is currently working on a way to more efficiently document the annual reporting’s for each department. There reporting’s are broken into two sections: a report on findings and a report of data analysis and action plans for the upcoming academic year. The committee has created forms that ask professors for more specific information to increase data consistency
The committee spent much of the meeting discussing appropriate deadlines for these reports that would go into effect the next academic cycle.

XIII. Advisor’s Report

XIV. Old Business

XV. New Business

i. SB 29-1 Committee Consolidation Act
   i. Vice President Held introduced the Committee Consolidation Act.
   ii. Senator Lara expressed that she agreed with the bill.
   iii. Senator Hammond asked if the goal was to merge committees to increase membership.
   iv. Vice President Held replied agreeing with the statement.
   v. Senator Hammond inquired about the contract with Wells Fargo because discussions have been held in the past regarding switching banks. Senator Hammond was wondering if an SGA committee would oversee that transition/which committee would oversee the transition.
   vi. President Garcia replied stating the contract with Wells Fargo has not yet ended. The process to choose a new campus bank would be chosen through the university or a university committee.
   vii. Senator Myers noted how last year most committee chairs did all the work and most members felt they did nothing because each committee was spread so thin.

XVI. Open Forum

i. Vice President Held stated the senator appointment and committee consolidation act ballot is on I-Engage and will be open to vote after the meeting.
   ii. President Garcia opened the floor to discussion about potential Town Hall/Open Forum ideas
      i. Senator Hammond suggested an open forum on Human Trafficking since it has become a prevalent global issue.
      ii. Chief Justice Gutierrez has contacts that work directly with Human Trafficking issues that could potentially speak with us on the issue.
      iii. Treasurer Swift suggested doing a smoke free open forum in response to the Smoke Free 2020 campaign.
      iv. Senator Lara mentioned getting feedback before moving forward with a town hall topic.
      v. Director Myers said it would be a good idea to inform the students of more hard hitting issues such as human trafficking. But giving the new Texas legislation noted the smoking town hall would be relevant in the fall semester.

XVII. Announcements

i. June 28 – Islander Launch (All Majors)
   ii. July 8 – Islander Launch (Science & Engineering)
   iii. July 8 – Catering Incentive Fund Meeting @ 10:00 a.m. SGA Office
   iv. July 12 – Islander Launch (Nursing & Health Science, Viking Islander Program)
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v. July 12 – Senate Meeting @ 2:00 p.m. UC 316
vi. July 12 – Executive Board Retreat @ 3:15 p.m.

vii. July 22 – Islander Launch (Business, Education & Human Development)
viii. July 26 – Islander Launch (Liberal Arts, Viking Islander Program)

ix. August 2 – Senate Meeting @ 2:00 p.m. UC 316
x. August 5 – Islander Launch (Nursing & Health Science, Science & Engineering)

xi. August 12 – Islander Launch (All Majors)

XVIII. **Final Roll Call** Breanna Cornell, Stormie Gutierrez, William Hammond, Brittney Held, Jacquelyn Lara, Leanna Leal, Mason Myers, Clayton Swift

XIX. **Adjournment** 2:37 p.m.