TAMUCC SGA Meeting Minutes 11/1/17

I. Call to Order - 12:15

II. Roll Call
- Justin Bustos, Connar Allen, Alexis Richardson, Olumide Adeoye, Maria Beauford, Arturo Burgueno, Andrea Gilson, Allen Graham, Haylee Haire, Kirk Jorgenson, Jacqelyn Lara, Kelly Rojas, Cassandra Scheick, Kristin Strittmatter, Clayton Swift, Kayla Weeks, Dr. Lisa Perez, and Dr. Don Albrecht.

III. Islander Pledge

IV. Guest Introductions

V. Approval of Minutes
  i. October 18th and 25th- Did not meet quorum so we could not pass minutes.

VI. President's Report
  i. Life beyond and Island-Mario Longoria
     i. Four sessions held by the alumni association on Thursday, November 9th in the UC- check in at Tejas Lounge and then will be escorted to the event, depending on which session you want to attend out of the four. Starts at 4:00pm. Sessions run till 4:45 that alumni panel runs from 5-6.
     ii. The panel will be made up of an administrator from each college.
     iii. Alumni update: anchor tradition, used to be white. For homecoming, they want to take over caring for the anchor, but get the students involved. During the tip-off picnic they want the students to come and paint the anchor white, for a “white out theme.” After homecoming, the alumni association will come back and paint it back to gray.
     iv. By Friday, email Mr. Longoria about if we would support this and are in favor of painting the anchor white. It’s already been addressed to president Quintanilla and she is in support. Email: Mario.longoria@tamucc.edu
  ii. Polo Orders
     i. Fill out the group me messages before 2 pm on Nov. 2nd, 2017
  iii. T-Shirt Swap
     i. At 5:30 SGA members who can help swap should be at that time. We will be swapping out three cans or food items for Izzy’s food pantry, and they can get an SGA shakas up shirt.
  iv. Homecoming Royalty
     i. The form is on OrgSync. Waiting until next week to vote to see who the representatives will be from SGA. Email speaker Allen if you are interested in being nominated. Deadline is November 13, 2017.
     ii. Interviews determine who makes it onto the ballot.
  v. Friday Fiesta Committee
     i. Start planning for Friday Fiesta that is hosted by SGA. It is before the Lighting of the I.

VII. Vice President's Report
  i. Committee chair update
     i. Arranged a meeting with the FYC members for the Midterm Act
  ii. Midterm Act
i. VP Davis working with FYC members to draft formal procedures for Mid-Term Act. Goal is to have done by late February 2018 so that it can route accordingly and be implemented Fall 2018.

VIII. Chief Justice’s Report
i. Appeals: Total: 11, Denied 4, Accepted 5, Reduced 2
ii. Cords/Stoles application open
   i. Opened October 31st. Please apply if you are graduating in December. You can also apply if you are graduating in May, applications will not be reviewed until the spring semester

IX. Speaker’s Report
i. Senators needed for Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and Student Regent interviews
   i. Have two senators who are interested in helping interview, would like three senators to help with the process
ii. Bill and Resolution Writing Workshop
   i. Speaker Allen made a doodle for more convenient times. There is a meeting today, November 1st in the SGA office.
iii. Lowering dollar amount that E-Board may spend without senate approval from $400 to $250

X. Senator Reports
i. College of Graduate Studies
   - Inclusive Excellence University Wide Committee
     Senator Gilson reported that they met on October 26 at 1:00 pm. Committees charge as a whole.
     20/20 inclusion goal
     Conference idea- Inclusive Islander idea- similar to that of Islander leadership conference. Working on a few guest speakers for this conference.
     Funding options are still being discussed
ii. College of Business
   - Dean meeting
     Senator Swift reported that advisors office is understaffed, so they are looking at hiring new advisors.
     Foreign exchange program- for Buc days
iii. Freshman Senators (Reported 10/18/17)
iv. College of Liberal Arts (Reported 10/18/17)
v. College of Nursing and Health Sciences
vi. Athletics Senator (Reported 10/11/17)
vii. Disabilities Senator (Reported 10/18/17)
viii. College of Science & Engineering (Reported 10/18/17)
ix. Veterans Senator
x. International Senator (10/18/17)

XI. Committee Reports
i. Spirit and Traditions
   i. Co-Chair Lesure presented a budget request to purchase blue and white face paint which will be provided for the November 2nd game. The request was for $50.
   President Bustos reminded that anything requested under $250 did not need senate
approval and that E-Board could approve. The approval was made by President Bustos.

XII. Old Business
   i. Student travel policy revisions
      i. Dr. Albrecht reminded senate that since there were no objections, President Bustos can email Mr. Houlihan and let him know there were no objections by SGA for the proposed changes.

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XIV. Advisor’s Report
   i. Dr. Perez reminded senate about their response to Late Night Breakfast. The SGA was in support of the move back to the UC seeing, as there were no objections made. She also reminded senators to remind their deans and chairs to consider volunteering for LNB.
   ii. Dr. Perez reminded the senate about the SGA commitment to annual fundraising for the Hector P. Garcia Endowment, which provides book scholarships to students. Fundraising in the past has consisted of penny wars and banquet fundraiser. If other activities will be held planning needs to occur.
   iii. Dr. Albreacht: brought up the idea of the alumni anchor project and if we are in support of painting it white. There was lots of discussion surrounding the idea. He suggested President Bustos respond back to Mario Longoria requesting more time to discuss and decide on the idea.
   iv. Dr. Perez asked about the status of the ideas for naming of the South Patio at the UC. President Bustos was going to send a poll to members for their input and provide update at meeting next week. Names suggested thus far included: Port Patio, Shore Patio, La Bahia Patio, Bay Patio.

XV. Treasurer’s Report
   i. Treasurer Paez attended the UCSO funding meeting on October 31st.
   ii. E-Board changed the cap for funding requests made to senate from $400 to $250.

XVI. Open Forum
   i. Senator Graham: College of Nursing held a meet and greet today November 2st. They had workshops for students and were able to talk to many students from the college.
   ii. Senator Graham asked where we were with the College of Education & Human Development senator. President Bustos stated that they did not approve her for the position so we still have three vacancies.
   iii. Senator Torres: soccer game at 8 tonight
   iv. President Bustos spoke about the A&M game and arrangements being made for a bus to take students to College Station on November 11, 2017.
   v. Speaker Allen spoke about the E-board meeting where we discussed the idea that there is a minimum of two weeks to get your ideas out there if you need funding or introducing a resolution.
   vi. Speaker Allen: asked if anyone interested in a nomination for homecoming.
   vii. FYC open forum tomorrow November 2nd in the Legacy Ballroom from 2:30-4:00.
   viii. Dr. Perez: spoke about student regent position and asked for support in recruiting individuals to apply. The deadline is November 10, 2017.

XVII. Announcements (SGA Events)
   i. FYC Town Hall Nov. 2nd from 2:30-4:00 in the Legacy Ballroom
ii. Islander’s Men’s BB vs. Kingsville. Thursday November 2nd at 7:00 at the American Bank Center.

iii. Bill and Resolution Writing Workshop, Wednesday 2:00-3:00PM

XVIII. Announcements (College of Liberal Arts Events)

i. Donuts with the Dean: Monday, November 13th 1 to 3 pm location TBD

XIX. Announcements (General)

i. Tidal Hall Topping Out Ceremony, sign the beam (Infrastructure) November 6th 11:30AM-1:30PM, ceremony November 7th 10:30AM-11:30AM at Surf Lane

ii. Flu Clinic for Students/Staff/Faculty-10/25, 11/1

iii. Veteran’s, Criminal Justice and Government Fair-11/7

iv. Careers in Education Fair-11/8


XXI. Adjournment- 1:24