



Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Student Senate

TAMUCC SGA Meeting Minutes 2/12/18

I. Call to Order 5:15 PM

II. Roll Call - Justin Bustos, Friederike Davis, Connor Allen, Sara Elharoun, Kayla Weeks, June Scheick, Emerald Rodriguez, Clayton Swift, Garrett Ransom, Andrea Gilson, Maria Beauford, Arturo Burgueno, Katie Seabolt, Lisa Perez and Dr. Don Albrecht

III. Islander Pledge

IV. Guest Introductions - None

V. Approval of Minutes

- i. January 29th and February 5th
 - The February 5th meeting minutes were not sent out.
 - Did not meet quorum resulting in minutes being tabled to be voted on at next week's meeting.

VI. Treasurer's Report

- The transaction to hit the account was the inflatables for Friday Fiesta for \$1,055.00.
- SGA raised a total of \$705.68 from Penny Wars for the Hector P. Garcia Scholarship Endowment.

VII. President's Report

- i. Senator Attendance
 - President Bustos commented on the inconsistency regarding attendance with Senators. He asked those in attendance to encourage their fellow Senators to attend the meetings.
- ii. Spring Town Hall Budget
 - The Senate had the chance to vote online via a poll through Orgsync and the budget was approved with 13 votes.
 - President Bustos placed the catering order for the event and ordered the textbooks as well.
- iii. Spring Town Hall
 - Town Hall will occur next Wednesday and Thursday, February 21st and 22nd.
 - President Bustos passed out the marketing flyer to the Senate and encouraged them to help promote the event. Any person who attends the event that mentioned which Senator referred them to come will receive incentive points.
 - SGA has been tasked with educating the students on OER and gathering their feedback on the matter.
 - President Bustos encouraged those who are available for tabling and/or help with the event the day of to complete the doodles. Vice President Davis emailed out the link to the doodles.
 - President Bustos will also be tagging white boards in classrooms throughout campus and anyone interested in helping is asked to contact him.
- iv. Spring Elections Deadlines to Apply: March 2nd, 2018
 - The application will open sometime next week. Those who are interested in running are asked to keep this deadline in mind. All Senator positions, the VP and President positions are up for grabs.
 - Senator Scheick asked if same ticketing voting is being put into place and Speaker Allen answered no.
 - Dr. Perez asked for Senator Scheick to clarify what she meant by her question.
 - Senator Scheick asked if she were to run for President or Vice president, would she be required to run with someone.
 - Dr. Perez asked for clarification and Speaker Allen explained there is nothing in the election code requiring you to run on a ticket but he plans to introduce something regarding the matter.



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- Dr. Perez mentioned that if something were to be brought forth, it should be done soon.
- Speaker Allen explained in the Constitution and By-Laws that any changes regarding elections must be made three weeks before the elections.
- Senator Beauford asked if SGA announced any vacancies.
- Speaker Allen explained that all elected positions: Senators, Vice President and President are open and anyone currently holding a position will have to rerun for their positions.
- The election deadline has been pushed up to allow for a greater transition time between the outgoing and incoming elected individuals.

VIII. Vice President's Report

i. Homecoming Debrief

- Vice President thanked everyone who came out and helped with Penny Wars and Friday Fiesta.

IX. Chief Justice's Report - None

X. Speaker's Report

i. Discrimination Resolution

- The Senate voted online via a poll through OrgSync and it received 13 votes resulting in it passing.

ii. Homecoming Court Debrief.

- Speaker Allen was the male representative for SGA and ran for Homecoming King.
- Speaker Allen enjoyed the experience and thanked everyone for the opportunity and their support.
- Dr. Perez mentioned that Speaker Allen and Treasurer Paez represented SGA well throughout the week at the various events.

XI. Senator Reports

i. College of Science & Engineering

- Dean Meeting – **Please see attached report.**

XII. Committee Reports

i. Legislative Studies

- Senator Schieck will be meeting with Dr. Albrecht tomorrow, February 13th at 8:30 AM.

XIII. Old Business

i. S.B. 4 Voter Intimidation Act

- Did not meet quorum resulting in resolution being tabled until next week's meeting.

XIV. New Business

XV. Advisor's Report

- The Calendar Committee will be meeting this month to discuss and review the calendar for 2020-2021. Anyone with feedback is asked to contact Dr. Perez or Vice President Davis.
- President Bustos mentioned there has been student feedback regarding a distaste for starting on Monday but gave no specific reasons as to why.
- Student Representatives are needed for the Student Fee Advisory Committee. Anyone interested are asked to contact President Bustos. The names will need to be forwarded soon.
- Dr. Perez received an email from the Office of Accreditation and Compliance that the university will be up for accreditation and they preparing for that. One requirement for reaffirmation of our accreditation as a university is having a quality enhancement plan in place.
- The plan will focus on improving specific student outcomes or success. The previous plan was the First Years Islanders program. There will be a committee created comprised of faculty, staff and students



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throughout the different areas of the campus focused on developing the new plan. The division will have three staff representatives and two student representatives. Anyone interested in serving on the committee is asked to contact Dr. Perez.

XVI. Open Forum

- Vice President Davis and Senator Gilson are part of the planning committee for the Islander Leadership Conference. Any SGA members who attend can receive up to 12 incentive points. Anyone interested in attending can RSVP online and anyone with questions can ask either Vice President Davis or Senator Gilson.
- Senator Seabolt made a list of the home games occurring after Spring Break so SGA can pick a few dates to see which game SGA would come out to utilize the outfield deck.
- Senator Seabolt listed off the dates for Fridays and Saturdays.
- Discussion was held regarding the top three dates as possible choices for SGA to use the deck. The dates decided upon as options were April 14th, May 5th and May 11th.

XVII. Announcements (General)

- i. Islander Leadership Conference: Be an Inclusive Islander on Saturday, February 17th from 9:30-4 PM

XVIII. Final Roll Call - Justin Bustos, Friederike Davis, Connor Allen, Sara Elharoun, Kayla Weeks, June Scheick, Emerald Rodriguez, Clayton Swift, Garrett Ransom, Maria Beauford, Arturo Burgueno, Katie Seabolt, and Lisa Perez

XIX. Adjournment 5:50 PM