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Senate Meeting #14 – February 6, 2024

A. Call to Order

At 6:19 PM.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

C. Texas Pledge

"Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."

D. Roll Call

- 4 E-Board – 14 Senators – 23 in Total

E. Certify Meeting Minutes from 01/30/2024.

- Veronica entertained the motion to certify the meeting minutes.
 - o Jared Scott objected. Jared Scott moved to amend the minutes. The amendment was to have a current Senator from the CHSS approve Ashari Gordon as the caucus chair for CHSS. The only member of CHSS as a Senator is Brad Williams, who was not present at the meeting.
 - Jared Scott moved to table the amendment of the minutes for the next Senate meeting on 02/13/2024.
 - Unanimous pass. The amendment of the minutes will happen at the 02/13/2024 meeting.
- Jared Scott moved to certify the meeting minutes aside from the amendment of the CHSS caucus chair discrepancy.
 - o Alison Ulloa seconded.
 - Unanimous pass. The minutes, apart from the soon-to-be amended portion, are certified.

Officer Reports

A. Chief of Staff Ivory

- Please make sure you complete your office hours!

B. Treasurer Frederick

- Office Hours: Tuesdays 12:30 – 4pm
- Meeting with Teresa every Wednesday at 2pm
- Go through the Expenditures Tab on Blackboard for all your financial needs
- Room requests need to be sent 2 weeks in advance. Email me with the room you want, a backup room, preferred setup, and any equipment you need.

C. Secretary Cheng

- I just added a Google Form to my weekly emails that is for anyone who is unable to attend an E-Board member's office hours and has a question, comment, or concern for the E-Board in general. This is all for convenience purposes.
- The Zoom link is for students who cannot attend in-person due to virtual status, illness, bad weather, etc. We strongly encourage in-person attendance.

D. Vice President Scott

- Orange Tie Affair is Tuesday, April 30th at 6pm in the Walker Education Center
- Mental Health Day meeting with the Provost on last Wednesday of February. We will update on the outcome.
- Met an SGA grad advisor candidate.
- Orange Tie Committee has a GroupMe. If you would like to join, let me know so we can begin delegating tasks.
- TSUS Board of Regents meeting is February 22nd-23rd here at SHSU.
- Thank you for keeping the office tidy!

E. President Calderon

- Graduate Assistant job has 2 more candidates! Waiting for them to schedule an interview.
- CLDF meetings: 2/9, 3/8, 4/12, 5/8
- Dr. White 1:1 2/15 @4pm
- SSFC meeting 2/28 8:00am-5:00pm
 - o The SSFC reallocates money for departments rather than organizations.
- Board of Regents @ SHSU 2/22-23 in the Orange Ballroom
 - o Please show up if you are able to! The meeting starts at 10am on the 23rd and should not last longer than 2 hours.
 - o Veronica will be speaking.
- March 2 the Grave 3/2 @10am

- Veronica will be speaking.
- FSL Townhall March 6th 5-6pm LSC 115
 - If you are interested, please go! Tell your FSL friends.
- Brandon Cooper is the new SGA Co-Advisor in training
 - He used to be in SGA!
 - He is the SAB advisor as well.
 - Will be training for a year.
- Polos & Crewnecks available
 - Let me know if you got one so we can figure out a time for you to pick it up.

Director Reports

A. External Affairs – Director Rojas-Caballero

- External Affairs meets every Wednesday at 5pm in the SGA office, Zoom is an option.
- City Council meeting will be Feb. 6th at 6:00pm
- Scheduling a meeting with the Huntsville city secretary's secretary on community building and support on behalf of SGA- will be dropping in throughout the week
- Working on reaching out to buildings around campus regarding a book drive that will begin late this month
- Working on potential school supply drive that will take place in April-more to come

B. University Affairs – Director Hernandez

- University affairs will be moving meetings to Thursdays at 3:30 pm in person at the SGA office with a zoom option.
- BAPI is April 13th 8 am-1 pm
 - Sign up is in the GroupMe! Please fill it out. If you cannot attend, send me an email!

- Put “SGA” as your organization.
- BAPI, “Barkat All Paws In”, is a university-wide service day. Multiple locations have designated volunteers that go and volunteer that day for them. SGA coordinates this whole event.
- I spoke to Mikayla White from Student involvement: leadership and service.
 - Putting BAPI on Orglink and newsletter in the works!

C. Student Affairs – Director Underwood

- Student Affairs will remain at 12:45pm on Tuesdays in the SGA office.
 - No physical meeting next week.
 - If you ever need the Zoom link for our meetings, please let me know ahead of time!
- A Couple of Roses
 - Confirmed Dates:
 - Rose Reservation Tabling: Wednesday Feb. 7th 1:00-3:00pm
 - Rose Package Pickup Tabling: Wednesday Feb. 13th 10:00-12:00 & 1:00-2:30pm.
 - We will not be having a physical meeting on the 13th to accommodate the event and allow a lunch period for senators helping!
 - Reservations as of Monday evening are around 130!
 - Expecting a lot of day-of reservations.
- February, March, and April events in progress!

D. Public Relations – Director Salmeron

- PR meets on Wednesday’s at 1pm in the SGA office but also offer a virtual option.
- Excited to announce the comeback of “Member of the Week” - winner will be announced during new business.
- Posted “A Couple of Roses” and SGA Crewneck Giveaway, students only have till the 13th to be entered into the giveaway.
- Working on flyer requests and finalizing ordering the new T shirts this week

- If anyone wants to something specific or has any ideas for PR, please let me know!

E. Rules and Regulations – Director Williams

- Mental Health Day! - Preparing intensive research to explain why it should be needed, here for Sam Students
- Survey will be created soon, also partnering with chair Rojas-Caballero
- Planning a Resolution/bill workshop – Food will be provided – still planning a day, however, will create an Emergency Precaution Resolution, & Bearkat Bundle Resolution, and potentially draft a bill at this workshop.
- Scooters! The survey is ready to go, just waiting for some details that could potentially come out.
- Planning a Meet SGA Event on the Plaza with other directors to try and address our issue with recruitment – Stay tuned for more!

F. Director of Caucus – Director Ulloa

- Spring 2024 Dean’s Call date has been moved. Currently still in LSC 242 (Glass Room). May be subject to change!
 - o Still hopefully going to be on March 20th at 11am but the room will be changing.
 - o Creating an agenda for Dean’s Call to keep things on topic and on schedule for efficiency.
- February 13th meeting at 5pm: How to Elevate Professional Communication with Superior Colleagues
 - o Caucus chairs- please show up! This will be super helpful with your meetings with the Deans.

G. Director of Council – Director Underwood (Interim)

- If you are a council member make sure to come to see me after the meeting! I want to ensure we get all attendance accounted for.
 - o a council member is someone going through the process of becoming

a senator.

- I am interim director, meaning this position is open. If you are thinking about wanting this position but are unsure or have any questions, I would love to talk about it and answer any questions you have!
- There are two active council members going through the process.

Chair Reports

A. Graduate – VACANT

B. Sciences, Engineering and Technology – VACANT

C. Humanities and Social Sciences – Chair Williams (Interim)

- Meeting with Dean Li, on Feb 6th
- Created a feedback survey for CHSS students, submitted a flyer request to post it around the building, and put it up on the TVs throughout the building.
- Discussed ways of getting SGA promoted in the CHSS building
- Researched different CHSS specific organizations to get the survey out and promote their upcoming informational meetings.
 - o So far, I have spoken to the officers of Pre Law-Society and Kats for Political Science
 - Both have informational meetings February 7th
 - Kats for Poli Sci will be at 5pm in CHSS room 495
 - Pre-Law Society will be at 6pm in CHSS room 242B
- Attended a Caucus Chair meeting Feb 1st

D. Arts and Media – Chair Powers

E. Education – Chair Patterson

- I have emailed the secretary of the COE Dean's office and I am still waiting to hear back for February's monthly meeting. I will be going in person to their office next week if there is no response by the end of this week. If you are in the College of Education and have any concerns you want me to bring up during this upcoming meeting, you can email me at hsp008@shsu.edu

UPCOMING EVENTS IN COE

- Joan Prouty Conference: This Conference focuses on Literacy and features a keynote speaker, breakout sessions and professional development. The conference is open to all students to attend. Registration is required and \$35 for all SHSU students. If y'all need any information on this, please let me know!
 - o February 24th - Teacher Education Center (8:00 am – 2:30 pm)

F. Criminal Justice – Chair Taylor

- Tabling will be held on February 21st in the CJ Lobby from 1-3pm
- Luke Putman (CJ Student Engagement and Recruitment Specialist) reached out to invite myself and our CJ senators to another CJ leadership breakfast! It will be held on February 29th from 8:30am – 9:30am in the CJ Flag Room.
- Going to begin hosting meetings with CJ caucus to update and ask for feedback regarding ways the CJ S.B. can be better represented.

AGENCIES TABLING THIS WEEK

- Houston Police Department: February 5th – 8th
- Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS): Tuesday, February 6th as well as Thurs, Feb 8th.

G. Health Sciences — Chair Ulloa

- Planning a collaboration with a black organization on campus with BGS about how skin protection and health should be targeted towards everybody
 - o Alison Ulloa tried to get the sample sizes again to pass out but BGS

does not do sample sizes anymore. Buying full size bottles in bulk will get super expensive. Looking to collaborate with someone else moving forward about sunscreen!

- The new COHS Strategic Plan should be complete by the end of this Spring Semester. Meeting with committee is February 13th at 4pm.
 - o This should be finalizing the last steps in the plan so let me know if you have any feedback or ideas you would her to bring to the table.

H. Business Administration – Chair Garcia

- COBA Career Readiness Feb 6th – 8th (10 am – 2 pm) 1st Floor Mafrige Lobby
- Association of Latino Professionals for America is holding an informational meetings on the 8th at 3:30pm in SHB 341
- Marking Club is have a Superbowl watch party at 5:30pm in DRC bldg. room 326
- Spring Career Fair February 13th, 2024 (9:30 AM – 2:30 PM) in the LSC Orange Ballroom

Committee Reports

A. Menstrual Equity Committee – Chair Rojas-Caballero

- TWC excursion was put on hold, Aunt Flow signage needed prior approval.
- Spoke to Aunt Flow and came up with a plan of action for the dispensers.

B. Celebratory Event Committee – Chair Ivory

- Meeting with Teresa and Kezia to prepare a final budget.
- Met with Breanna Dotson and Brandon Cooper to plan “Black Renaissance”.
 - o 5 Black Vendors, Raffle, Outfit contest, Basketball team, Spray paint shirts, and more.
 - o Thinking of giving away a free wig.

- Campus Activities is sponsoring the food for the event.
- Mark your calendars Feb 29th from 5-8pm!
- Thank you to April Salmeron for contributing some of PR's budget towards this event.
- The PR manager for Student Affairs will be leading the PR campaign for Black Renaissance.

C. Student Life Committee

D. Civic Engagement Committee – Chair Hernandez

- 2024 Democratic & Republican Primary Elections
- Deadline to register 2/5
- Early voting 2/20-3/01
- Last day to apply to vote by mail 2/23
- Election day – 3/5

General Information

A. Old Business

B. New Business

- Fill vacancies
 - Graduate chair
 - COSET chair
 - Director of Council
- State intents
 - Mariah Torres
 - Angela Toscano

- Impeachments
 - Sophie Powers
 - Veronica Calderon entertains the motion to impeach Sophie Powers.
 - Aly Underwood moves to impeach Sophie Powers.
 - Alison Ulloa seconds.
 - Unanimous pass.
 - Sophie Powers has been impeached.
 - Britney Torres
 - Veronica Calderon entertains the motion to impeach Britney Torres.
 - Hector Garcia moves to table this impeachment to the next meeting for clarification.
 - Jared Scott seconds.
 - Unanimous pass.
 - Britney Torres' impeachment has been tabled to next week.
 - Lex Morgan
 - Veronica Calderon entertains the motion to impeach Lex Morgan.
 - Aly Underwood moves to impeach Lex Morgan.
 - Alison Ulloa seconds.
 - Unanimous pass.
 - Lex Morgan has been impeached.
 - Alyssa Hernandez
 - Veronica Calderon entertains the motion to impeach Alyssa Hernandez.
 - Aly Underwood moves to impeach Alyssa Hernandez.
 - Liv Hernandez seconds.
 - Unanimous pass.
 - Alyssa Hernandez has been impeached.
 - Kendall Harris

- Veronica Calderon entertains the motion to impeach Kendall Harris.
 - Alison Ulloa moves to impeach Sophie Powers.
 - Aly Underwood seconds.
 - Unanimous pass.
 - Kendall Harris has been impeached.
- Member of the Week
 - The member of the week is... Brad Williams!

C. Open Forum

- Member of the week will not be repeated!
- Stencils for tabling activities. We could use the whiteboard from the SGA office to get people to come by the tabling. For example, writing “Free Roses” on the board during the tabling this week and next.
- April Salmeron will be the only person not voting for member of the week as she is one who prepares it!
- Kezia Frederick is planning a Couple’s game show for the 28th.
 - This is still in the works.
 - Should be in the Orange Ballroom.
 - 6pm
- April Salmeron is planning a get together for SGA members for Valentines. Let her know if you will be attending.
- Please come to Internal Affairs. You are subject to non-compliance if you do not attend. Send an excuse if you cannot come.
- Weekly Newsletter for SGA is not able to happen since students already get spammed. We can add our information to Drew Miller’s weekly email though!
- There needs to be a survey for BAPI that will be filled out after the event. This is for feedback, accountability, etc. We can also ask students how they heard about BAPI.

D. Announcements

- February 29th is the Pose Fashion Show at 6pm in the White Ballroom.
Come support!

E. Motion to Adjourn Meeting

- At 7:11 PM.