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Senate Meeting #15 – February 13, 2024

A. Call to Order

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

E. Icebreaker

You're deserted on an island alone. What are the three things you have in your backpack?

F. Certify Meeting Minutes

2/06/2024

Officer Reports

A. Chief of Staff Ivory

- Please make sure you are completing 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

- Anything added after 10 p.m. will not be included in the agenda for Senate meetings and therefore cannot be talked about on the floor.
- If you miss the deadline, you will have to save that extra report information for next week.
- If you do not update your report, I will assume that you have no report this week and there will be no slide.
- If you do not have any changes to your report but still want to say that same report tomorrow, text me on GroupMe by 10pm so I will leave it in the agenda.
- All of this is effective immediately!

D. Vice President Scott

- Office Hours: Tuesday 11:00- 12:30pm and Friday 12-3pm
- Apollo Night w/ NAACP Thursday 2/15 @ 6PM in the White Ballroom
- Orange Tie Affair will be Tuesday April 30, 2024, at 6PM at the Walker Education Center
- Mental Health Day Meeting with Provost will be Wednesday March 28
- SSFC Presentations will take place Wednesday 2/28
- SGA Grad Advisor Application is still open!
- Orange Tie Committee will meet this Thursday at 5PM in the SGA Office
- TSUS Board of Regents Meeting Feb. 22-23
- Dean Smith has an announcement for all Internal Members during next week's bi-weekly meeting, please be present, and on time. **NO EXCUSES WILL BE ALLOWED FOR THIS INTERNAL MEETING! (ONLY EXCEPTION IS CLASS)**
- Caucus Chairs attire during meeting with Dean

E. President Calderon

- Graduate Assistant interview 2/19 & 2/20
- CLDF meetings: 3/8, 4/12, 5/8
- Dr. White 1:1 2/15 @4pm
- SSFC meeting 2/28 8:00am-5:00pm
- Board of Regents @ SHSU 2/22-23 Orange Ballroom
- March 2 the Grave 3/2 @10am
- FSL Townhall March 6th 5-6pm LSC 115
- Any emails to be sent out on behalf of SGA or SHSU, let me & Dean Smith proof read
- Election Season:
 - o Filing opens: 2/26
 - o Filing closes: 3/18
 - o 1st candidate meeting: 3/18
 - o 2nd candidate meeting: 3/21
 - o Headshot & bio due: 3/27
 - o Meet the candidates: 4/3
 - o Bearkat Voting Day: 4/8

- Voting: 4/8 - 4/11th

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
- 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 3:30pm in person with a zoom option.
- BAPI is April 13th 8 am-1 pm
- Sign up if you haven't yet or email me at lh033@shsu.edu with an excuse
- Organization – SGA
- Give pulse- orglink

C. Student Affairs – Director Underwood

- Student Affairs will remain at 12:45pm on Tuesdays in the SGA office
 - No physical meeting next week
- A Couple of Roses
 - Rose Package Pickup Tabling: Wednesday Feb. 13th 10:00-12:00 & 1:00-2:30pm.
 - All roses were reserved the same day of tabling
 - We did not meet physically today but I sent out meeting notes

will all the information you need.

- Showtime Starting A Color Purple
 - o February 22nd starting at 7:00pm in LSC 321
 - o Free movie & popcorn!
 - Our treasurer Kezia will be assisting with popcorn making and our President will be showing the movie.
 - o March, and April events in progress!
 - Trans Visibility Tabling: In Progress
 - Care for the Girlies: In Progress

D. Public Relations – Director Salmeron

- PR meets on Wednesday's at 1pm in the SGA office but also offer a virtual option
- "Member of the Week" - winner will be announced during new business
- Posted "Black Renaissance Festival"!!!
- Working on flyer requests
- Voted in members, please scan this QR code to fill out a form to place your size in our casual shirts
- If anyone wants to something specific or has any ideas for PR, please let me know!

E. Rules and Regulations – Director Williams

- Meeting with Provost on Feb 28th regarding Students Mental Health
- Planning a Resolution/bill workshop – Food will be provided – Will be early March, however, will create an Emergency Precaution Resolution, & Bearkat Bundle Resolution, and potentially draft a bill at this workshop its Encourage that Senators attend this workshop as its Educational
- Scooters! The survey is ready to go, just waiting for some details that could potentially come out.
- SGA Showcase – Event where all departments are displayed for the student body, there will be giveaways, music etc., Planned on February 26th from 1pm-3:30pm in the Plaza, Its Highly recommended all senators participate as this will be an SGA Recruitment event.

F. Director of Caucus – Director Ulloa

- Spring 2024 Dean's Call date will be moved to April. Agenda will be sent to President Calderon and Dean Smith
- How to Elevate Professional Communication with Superior Colleagues meeting will be moved

G. Director of Council – Director Underwood (Interim)

- If you are a council member make sure to come see me after the meeting! I want to ensure we get all attendance accounted for (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 and a vote in tonight!

Chair Reports

A. Graduate – VACANT

B. Sciences, Engineering and Technology – VACANT

C. Humanities and Social Sciences – Chair Gordan

D. Arts and Media – Vacant

E. Education – Chair Patterson

F. Criminal Justice – Chair Taylor

- Tabling will be held on February 21st in the CJ Lobby from 1-3pm
- CJ Breakfast will be held on February 29th from 8:30am – 9:30am in the CJ Flag Room. (mentioned org attendance to Luke)
- Will contact CJ senators this week to schedule a time for our first caucus meeting.

AGENCIES TABLING THIS WEEK

- Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS): Tuesday, February 13th and Thursday, February 14th. (NOW RECRUITING)

G. Health Sciences — Chair Ulloa

- Trying to contact another sunscreen company for sample sizes for future events and collaborations.
- The new COHS Strategic Plan should be complete by the end of this Spring Semester. Meeting with committee is February 13th at 4pm
- COHS Career Conference will be held on Thursday, March 28, 2024 in the Lowman Student Center. The Conference event will include professional development breakout sessions, Professional Career Panels, and will conclude with a Career and Internship Fair partnered with the Career Success Center and the Department of Biomedical Sciences. Registration information will be sent out via email and shared on social media.
- Exploring Body Composition Monitoring: Sources of Error & Best Practices. The Texas chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) is coming to campus for its speaker series! Dr. Grant Tinsley will speak on: “Body Composition Monitoring: Sources of Error and Best Practices” in the Olson Auditorium (AB4) from 11am – 12:30pm on April 4th. This is a great professional opportunity for students to gain valuable insights into nuances of body composition monitoring.

- New Student Organization! Restore: Building Paths to PT/OT Excellence. Restore is an organization committed to fostering a supportive community of students who are interested in becoming physical or occupational therapists. This organization aims to enhance your understanding of your future career, making the path to becoming a PT or OT clearer and more manageable. To join, scan the code on the flyer. If you have questions, reach out to kinesiology faculty member, Laura Dougherty, at ldougherty@shsu.edu.

H. Business Administration – Chair Garcia

- Happy Valentine’s Day from COBA Feb 14th 9:00am on the 1st Floor SHB
- International Business & Economics Club Meet & Greet Feb. 16 at 1pm in SHB 138
- Executive MBA in Banking and Financial Institutions, Have a Two-Year Executive Master of Business Administration the program offers substantial scholarships with awards of up to \$40,000 for first-year Students.

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

- Meet with Teresa and Kezia to prepare a final budget Tomorrow
- Met with Breanna Dotson and Brandon Cooper to plan “Black Renaissance”
- 5 Black Vendors, Raffle, Outfit contest, Basketball team, Spray paint shirts, and more. Mark your calendars Feb 29 5-8pm!

C. Student Life Committee- Chair Lopez

- Meetings every Tuesday @2
- Current issue: Dorm washers and dryers
- Currently looking into other student “issues”
 - Bearkat Bundle, Parking, Dorm related, Moving process

D. Civic Engagement Committee – Chair Hernandez

- 2024 Democratic & Republican Primary Elections
- 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

- Vote Ins
 - o Alexander Reyna
- Fill vacancies
 - o Graduate chair
 - o COSET chair
 - o Director of Council
- State intents
- Impeachments
 - o Britney Torres
- Member of the Week

C. Open Forum

Open to discuss anything from the meeting.

D. Announcements

Outside of SGA reminders.

E. Motion to Adjourn Meeting