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Senate Meeting #1 – September 10th, 2024

A. Call to Order at 6:01pm

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

Quorum: 19 Senators & 5 Executive Board Members

Total: 45

E. Certify Meeting Minutes 04/16/2024, 08/27/2024, 09/3/2024

- Entertained by President Scott
 - Moved by Director Underwood

- Seconded by former Director Liv Hernandez
 - Unanimous Pass

F. Ice Breaker

- If you could swap lives with any cartoon character for a day, who would it be?

Officer Reports

A. Chief of Staff Macias

- Make sure you do your office hours.
- Secretary Salmeron and I updated the inventory this weekend and cleaned up the closet. Please make sure to keep it CLEAN and ORGANIZED!
- Looking forward to the events we have this month!
- If your activities involve administration, please be sure to copy Dean Smith and Brandon.
- If you guys need ANYTHING, please don't hesitate to contact me.

B. Treasurer

- All Directors can now pull from their funds as of September 1st
- **ALL PURCHASES MUST BE SUBMITTED 4-5 weeks in advance! If it does not fall within that timeframe, I will NOT approve your request nor will the President or VP.**
- Bearkat Family Weekend Prized have been purchased for Bingo!
- When submitting a purchase request, do not attach links in the description section, that is mean for description of the items!
 - Use a separate document and attach the links with descriptions and picture of the item!
 - Include a “back-up” section on the document incase your first pick item can not be purchased.

C. Secretary Salmeron

- Updated inventory for the month September, available in the budget's tab
- Letters of none compliance will be sent out tomorrow!
- Thank you, directors, for sending your department meeting minutes at a reasonable time!

- Friendly reminder: HSI Trivia is tomorrow September 11th from 2:00pm-4:00pm in LSC 320.
- If you will not be making it to mandatory events, or senate meetings please send me an email with a valid excuse.

D. Vice President Rojas-Caballero

- Internals meets bi-weekly on Mondays via zoom at 7:00pm.
 - o It is imperative that you make it. If you find yourself in a position where you cannot, please reach out to me via email.
 - o Reminder that we will meet in person when legislation is being brought to the floor the following senate meeting
- Director Recruitment Idea with Secretary Salmeron! Thank you for bringing your friends!
- Latin Night- Mark your calendars!
 - o Oct 3rd at 9pm
- ELEVATE will be tabling from 9:30-12:30 on Thursday 9/12 at the student employment fair!
- SSFA will be meeting 9/13 from 2:00-5:00pm

E. President Scott

- Weekly 1:1 meetings with Dean Smith and Brandon on Mondays at 9am in LSC 210
- E-Board meetings Mondays at 4 PM
- Office Hours:
Tuesday 2-3:30, Wednesday 12-1:30, Thursday's 2-4
- GUMBO (Gaining Us More Black Opportunities) Tabling w/ NAACP September 11, 2024 @5PM in the Orange Ballroom
- President White Reception 10/7 @ 6PM Smith-Lennon Houst
- Interested in being on the Tailgate Committee?
- Bearkat Family Weekend
- Friday from 9-11AM Bingo w/ SGA
- Saturday at 3:45PM begin set up for tailgate
- Treasurer nomination is Director Liv Hernandez we will hold her confirmation vote in new business!
- Sept. 24 "Blue Out Meeting"

- Homecoming is next week! Show up and show out to events ft. OG Sam Jam Carnival
- Remember to follow dress code

Director Reports

A. Community Affairs – Liv Hernandez & Angela Toscano

- Meetings are Wednesday @2pm in LSC 314 with Zoom Available if requested 30 minutes before the meeting:)
- Deputizations as Volunteer Voter Registers
- “Your Voice Matters” Tabeling Sept 16th 1-3pm
 - Wednesday Sept. 25 @1pm-3pm
 - Thursday Sept. 26 @11am-2pm
 - Tuesday Oct. 1 @1pm-3pm
 - Wednesday Oct. 2 @1pm-3pm
 - Thursday Oct. 3 @11am-2pm
 - Monday Oct. 7 @12pm-3pm
- Alopecia Awareness Month/Tabeling
 - Monday, Sept 23 12-3pm
 - Permission Granted by President Jared Scott for Blue-Out Senate meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 24
- “Suicide Awareness” Month / Table
 - Monday, Sept. 30 @10am-12pm
 - Collaboration with Senator Ashari Gordon
- “Breast Cancer Awareness” Month / Table
 - Date set for Tuesday, October 8th
 - Time: TBD
- “Tacos for Tatas”
 - Tuesday, Oct. 22
 - Collaboration with SGA Student Affairs and Phi Beta Sigma
 - Still under construction
- November Events
 - Business Blueprint

- Safety Walk: Thursday, Nov. 14 @6pm
- Collaboration Project with Caucus Chairs

B. Student Affairs - Je'hmory Coleman & Aly Underwood

- Our meetings are Wednesdays at 3:00pm in the SGA office (zoom is available if requested)
 - We had our first meeting last week!
- Upcoming Events:
 - HSI Trivia Wednesday September 11th, 2024 from 2:00pm-4:00pm in LSC 320
 - Latin Night October 3rd from 9:00pm-12:00pm in the Orange Ballroom
 - Ballet Folkorico will be performing
 - Sigma Lambda Gamma will be in attendance after MGC showcase

C. Public Relations - Rhiannon Guel & Alyssa Hernandez

- Meetings are Thursday at 3:30pm
- Flyer requests need to be sent in 3-4 weeks AHEAD of time.
- “Your Voice Matters” Flyer
- “Alopecia Awareness” Flyer
- HSI Trivia Night
- Got the photos from the camera
- If you have any ideas for PR or need to send in a request email us at rlg080@shsu.edu and amh223@shsu.edu

D. Rules and Regulations- Emarie Schweikhardt

- Meetings are on Thursdays at 1:00pm in the SGA office
- Constitution Workshop on Thursday, October 10th at 5:00pm

- Please contact me if you have ideas for legislation
- Email: eps017@shsu.edu

E. Director of Caucus – TBD

-election date shall be set by third senate meeting Sept. 10 amongst sitting caucus chairs

F. Director of Council – Alyssa Rodriguez

- If you plan on stating your intent today, please stay after the meeting so I can gather your information. Don't hesitate to ask if you have any questions about the council member process—I'm here to help!
- Please join the GroupMe – after your intent email is sent!
- This year, we'll use separate attendance forms and QR codes for council members and voted-in senators and directors.
- Feel free to contact me at – amr257@shsu.edu



Chair Reports

A. Graduate – VACANT

B. Sciences, Engineering and Technology - VACANT

C. Humanities and Social Sciences - VACANT

D.Arts and Media - VACANT

E. Education - VACANT

F. Criminal Justice - VACANT

G.Health Sciences - VACANT

H.Business Administration - VACANT

General Information

A. Old Business

-The Voice

Feedback from those who attended:

- It turned out to be the best it could've been!
- Only downside was not knowing we also had to reserve the screen for the lyrics
- Giving out the prizes went very smoothly as well

B. New Business

-Director Liv Hernandez Treasurer Confirmation Vote

Discussion:

- She is very hardworking, shows great leadership skills and is very welcoming to those entering and currently in SGA.

○ Questions:

- “If we agree to vote for her for the position, do we find a substitute for her position as Director of Community Affairs?”

• Answered by President Scott:

○ “No, I find a substitute for her position.”

▪ Voting:

- Entertained by President Scott

○ Director Underwood moved to vote in Liv as SGA 2024-2025 new treasurer

- Seconded by
CJ Senator
Arreguin
- 19 Yays, 1
Abstain
- Passes,
congratulations
Treasurer
Hernandez

- Election Commission
- Voting:
 - Entertained by President Scott
 - COBA Senator Moody moved to vote in election commission people
 - Seconded by Director Schweikhardt
 - 12 Yays, 5 Abstain
 - Motion carries and nominations are approved!
- Approve SAB Constitution
 - Entertained by President Scott
 - COHS Senator Ulloa moved to adopt the new constitution
 - Seconded by COBA Senator Moody
 - 17 Yays, 1 Abstain
 - Motion passes

-Vote In's:

- Abigail Dittman: COBA
 - Entertained by President Scott
 - COBA Senator Garcia moved to vote them in
 - Seconded by Director Guel
 - 17 Yays, 3 Abstains
 - Passes, congratulations COBA Senator!
- Emilia Alvarez: COCJ
 - Entertained by President Scott
 - COHS Senator Ulloa moved to vote them in

- Seconded by COBA Senator Garcia
 - 16 Yays, 2 Abstains
 - Passes, congratulations CJ Senator!
 - Rishardae Stafford: COCJ
 - Entertained by President Scott
 - COHS Senator Ulloa moved to vote them in
 - Seconded by COBA Senator Garcia
 - 14 Yays, 5 Abstains
 - Passes, congratulations CJ Senator!
 - Ashari Gordon: CHSS
 - Entertained by President Scott
 - Treasurer Hernandez moved to vote them in
 - Seconded by Secretary Salmeron
 - 19 Yays
 - Unanimous Pass, congratulations CHSS Senator!
 - Emmy Castro: COSET
 - Entertained by President Scott
 - Director Underwood moved to vote them in
 - Seconded by Director Guel
 - 19 Yays, 3 Abstains
 - Passes, congratulations COSET Senator!
- Caucus Chair Vote:
- Sciences, Engineering and Technology: Emmy Castro
 - Entertained by President Scott
 - Attorney at General Flores moved to vote them in as new COSET Caucus Chair
 - Seconded by Chief of Staff Macias
 - Unanimous Pass, congratulations COSET Chair!
- Humanities and Social Sciences – Ashari Gordon
 - Entertained by President Scott
 - VP Rojas-Cabellaro moved to vote them in as new CHSS Caucus Chair
 - Seconded by Director of Council Rodriguez
 - Unanimous Pass, congratulations CHSS Chair!
- Education – Hailey Patterson

- Entertained by President Scott
 - Director Underwood moved to vote them in as new COE Caucus Chair
 - Seconded by COE Senator Patterson
 - Unanimous Pass, congratulations COE Chair!
- Criminal Justice – Jehmory Coleman
 - While doing a secret ballot for the CJ Chair, COBA Senator Garcia moved to have a recess of 2 minutes
 - **Motion failed to second**
 - **Motion fails**
 - Voting: Attorney at General Flore states that the write votes are
 - Jehmory Coleman with 6 Yays and 1 Abstention
 - Seth Balfour with 1 Yay
 - Shardaef Stafford with 1 Yay
 - Ahijnaef Liggins with 1 Yay
 - Congratulations COCJ Chair Coleman!
 - CJ Chair Coleman also resigned from his co-Director position for Student Affairs.

Business Administration – Abigail Dittman

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 - Entertained by President Scott
 - COBA Senator Moody moved to vote them in as new COBA Caucus Chair
 - Seconded by COBA Senator Garcia
 - Unanimous Pass, congratulations COBA Chair!

C. Open Forum

Open to discuss anything from the meeting.

- COHS Senator Ulloa mentioned that the deadline has already passed to get deputized.
- Treasurer Hernandez states that in Community Affairs report, the date for Tacos for Tatas has not been finalized. So, it's to be determined.

D. Stating Intent:

- Jaydin Padilla – COCJ
- Elvia Perea – Salmeron - COSET
- Victoria Spivey – COHS
- Tyree Roberts – COHS
- Alexis Argueta – COE

Announcements

Outside of SGA reminders.

- Make sure to vote for the homecoming queen and king!
- HSI events all around the LSC
- Silent Disco in the LSC 230 on Friday

E. Motion to Adjourn Meeting at 7:42pm.

- Entertained by President Scott
 - Director of Council Rodriguez moved to adjourn the meeting
 - Seconded by Director Guel
 - Unanimous Pass