

Minutes for January 26, 2010
Student Government Assembly Meeting

- I. Call Meeting to Order 7:05
- II. First Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes – January 19, 2010
 - A. Approved
- IV. Guests
- V. Open Forum
 - A. Ben Fried- Texans for Israel
 - 1. Next Tuesday morning having General Etom for breakfast meeting
 - B. Cecilia Lopez- LEI
 - 1. Spring session of leadership certified
 - a. 3 sessions have you certified
 - b. Wed. Leadership series, RecSports Game Room, 5:30-6:30
 - 2. Swing Out award applications are out
 - a. LEI is a recognition program for different groups of students
 - b. \$300 prize and win in different categories
 - c. Apply online—swingoutawards.com
 - d. Due February 24th
 - C. Dance Marathon
 - 1. Fundraiser for Dell Children's Medical
 - 2. Stand up for 12 hours for \$100 donation
 - 3. Concert this week at the Hub, tickets are \$15/20 raises money
 - 4. Register by going to utmd.org
 - 5. If you have over 10 people, only have to raise \$50
 - D. Matt Portillo- Student Athletic Committee
 - 1. Basketball game this weekend- Think Pink
 - 2. Game raises breast cancer awareness
 - E. Cindy Fisher- Libraries
 - 1. New copy card- if have money on old one, can swap money from one to another
 - a. \$1 for the card for the first time
 - b. Switching to new one is free
 - 2. Restrooms are being totally redone
 - 3. Library classes coming up
 - a. Google super searcher
 - b. Managing citations
 - c. Managing online security
 - F. Rebecca Matta- University Area Partners
 - 1. Neighborhood association for West Campus
 - 2. Nueces Bike Boulevard
 - a. Would open from downtown all the way to West Campus

3. More resident only parking
 - a. Student forums for new ideas
 4. Improving Rio Grande (from MLK to 24th)
 5. If interested in what U. Area Partners, contact Rebecca or Liam
- G. John Woods- Students for Gun Free Schools
1. First meeting in BUR 208
 2. 6 PM on Thursday
- H. Carly Castsetter
1. Speaker issues were left off the agenda to allow for further discussion
 2. Looked at other student gov's and only one has our structure
 3. Would create a link between assembly and executive board, give assembly more of a voice
 4. Take stress off of VP and create a go to person for assembly members to talk to

VI. Ex-Officio Reports

- A. Graduate Student Assembly- Daniel Sparks
- a. New summer 2010 Graduate student program through Archer Center
 - b. Info coffee on Thursday, 10am, Texas Union President's Room
 - c. GSA 5K- April 11, 2010
 - a. Raises money for grad students
 - d. DC Trip
 - a. April 17-21
 - b. Discussing tax exemptions, immigration, other grad student issues
- B. Senate of College Councils- Lauren Ratcliff
- a. Recognize Undergraduate Studies Council as fully able to vote in meetings
 - b. Passes leg to support Texas Parents Initiative
 - c. Faculty Appreciation Week is coming up!
- C. Student Events Center

VII. Appointments

- A. Sarah Watson, Student Services Budget Committee
1. Approved by unanimous consent

VIII. Deputy Adviser Report

- A. Melinda Sutton- msutton@mail.utexas.edu

IX. Executive Reports

- A. President: Liam O'Rourke- orourke.liam@gmail.com
1. ESB Update
 - a. Application is out on the listservs
 2. Hold up for Haiti – February 6th
 - a. Attempt to raise a lot of money for Haiti

- b. If you have an org that wants to participate/ if you want to volunteer- let Liam know
 - c. We need volunteers!!
 - 3. Longhorn Run
 - a. Almost there
 - b. Bought/ secured means to do that for as long as people want
 - c. Feb. 6 is coaches training
 - d. Sign up page is getting there
- B. Vice President: Shara Ma - shara.ma@austin.utexas.edu

C. Executive Board

- 1. SG Internal Survey – Please fill it out!!!
 - a. 61 out of 100ish have filled it out
 - b. Results are starting to be seen, but only halfway there
 - c. Fill it out!!!
- 2. Upcoming Forum – How to Run in the SG Election!
 - a. Wednesday January 27, 7-8pm, Glenn Maloney
 - b. Useful info on how to run and rules
- 3. Appropriations Deadline Approaching
 - a. Applications due February 4th at 4:00pm to Veronica Cantu
 - b. Share that with your orgs
- 4. Redefining the Endowments
 - a. Want more sustainable development for SG regardless of economic climate
- 5. Week of Giving
 - a. April 12-15
 - b. Lots of tabling, lots of networking, lots of volunteering
- 6. Hold Up for Haiti
 - a. Beg people in cars for money
 - b. Split money up to help children
 - c. Feb. 6- 10:30am on

X. Agency Director Reports

A. FLO- Louis

- 1. First meeting back is Thursday at 6pm in Glen Maloney room
- 2. Annual flo-project put on by FLOers
- 3. Feb. 11- Austin Parks and Pizza
- 4. Feb. 4- Movie night in Glenn Maloney at 9pm
- 5. April 17- Relay for Life
- 6. Feb. 6- Hold Up for Haiti
- 7. Dance marathon

B. Longhorn Student EMS

- 1. Having info session tomorrow at 7 in GAR 2.117
- 2. Certification program
- 3. Dehydration Awareness issue is still being worked on

C. Out of State Student Affairs

- 1. First meeting of the semester just happened
- 2. Financial aide flier

3. Forming admissions flier
 - a. Targeted at OOSA
- D. Safety- Sarah Watson
 1. Theft is a big deal, especially in Gregory at basketball courts
 2. Also PCL
 3. If you have solutions let Sarah know
- E. Resource Center- Tony Flor
 1. New sign up sheet for Jester Satalite office
 2. Please donate just an hour a week
- F. Campus Environmental Center
 1. ELI- Workshop series for students interested in environment and leadership
 2. Workshop tomorrow NOA 1.102, 6-8, through Informal Classes
 - a. Must be registered through Informal Classes
 - b. Register by second class day
 - c. Every other Wednesday
- G. School Outreach Agency
 1. Saturday in Glenn Maloney room, 10-3
 2. Starts with meet and greet, Professor Dailey speaking
 3. Student panel afterwards
 4. How you translate leadership from high school to college
 5. Finishes with mock legislation session
- H. LLA- Sierra Stephens
 1. Send in work orders
 2. LLAs buy t-shirts

XI. Representative Reports

- A. Justin Stein- UWide
 1. Wellness Network
 - a. Vice Pres. Student Affairs
 - b. Improve culture of health and wellness
 - c. Luncheon, Tues. Feb. 2nd, RSVP is required
 2. Orange Santa
 - a. 485 families
 - b. \$7000 donated, police donated 100 bikes
- B. Alex Ferraro
 1. If interested in disabilities, let him know
- C. John Lawler- Liberal Arts
 1. Campus maps
 2. Speaker of the house
 - a. Idea came about to increase the voice of the assembly
 - b. Came up with idea to have an elected speaker of the house
 - c. Why needed?
 - i. Accountable, relatable leader who's job is exclusive to the general assembly
 - ii. Natural progression of the reforms to abolish the ticket-system

- iii. Allows for leadership opportunities within SG for small school and graduate resp
 - d. Better than a vp
 - i. More equal balance between exec and reps
 - ii. Faster, better intra-assembly relationships
 - iii. Strong assembly and committee structure, with sole ownership by the elected body
 - e. Look over and ask!
 - i. Stanton: cannot debate the motivations behind the bill
 - ii. Rosen: This bill isn't coming with a specific agenda, for hopes of creating effectiveness within assembly
 - iii. Rosen: work together better and accomplish more
 - iv. Woods: Great work to Lawler
 - v. Rodriguez: pulling from all parts of the assembly, need to have respect when discussing things in this assembly
 - vi. Bunch: Respect!
 - vii. O'Dell: It is hard coming into a big assembly, having a speaker within the house would relieve extra stress and allow for more of a contact point person for smaller school reps
 - viii. Castsetter: Need a bridge between old and new members of the assembly
 - ix. Wang: What would VP be doing now?
 - x. Informal discussions to come!

D. Council Reports

1. Sarah Stroube- Comm School Council
 - a. apps are due Thursday at 5
 - b. Getting new comm. School building
 - c. If interested in getting involved

E. Committee Reports

1. Finance -Amanda Lopez
 - a. No meeting this Sunday
 - b. Will be meeting at 3:30 on Sundays
 - c. Appropriations- want QUALITY applications
2. External Affairs- Andy Jones
 - a. Meeting Sunday at 3
 - b. 2 hour tabling stints- meeting this week will talk about it
3. Internal Affairs
4. Student Affairs- Justin Stein
 - a. Looked at treadmill legislation
 - b. Up for old business tonight
5. Academic Affairs- Matt Dailey
 - a. Conversations with Co-Op
 - b. Reducing textbook costs for students
 - c. Meeting time is getting figured out

- d. Getting new building- should be done Fall 2010
- 6. Legislative Policy- Sarah Hobson
 - a. Room is waiting to be confirmed

XII. Unfinished Business

- A. AR 31: In Support of Expanding Physical Activity and Recreational Sports Facilities
 - 1. Castaneda: Added on as sponsor
 - 2. Torch is passed to next assembly, is interested, talk to Jones
 - 3. Passed by unanimous consent
- B. AR 32: Honoring Ed Bridges
 - 1. Approved by unanimous consent

XIII. New Business

- A. AB 13: Redefining the Student Government Endowments
 - 1. Co-Op boot money going to endowment
 - 2. Saving half of it to accumulate interest on it
 - a. Doing only half so there is still money that can help students now, and other half has time to grow separately
 - 3. Merit and financial to make sure it is competitive
 - 4. Referred to Internal Affairs
- B. AB 14: Redirecting the Profits of The University of Texas Boot Sales
 - 1. Need and merit based endowment
 - 2. Redefined since funds changed
 - 3. Majority student endowment board
 - a. Also overseeing excellence fund board
 - 4. Referred to Internal Affairs
- C. AR 33: In Support of the Acceptance of Bevo Bucks by Parking and Transportation Services
 - 1. Writing resolution and then taking it to Parking and Transportation Services
 - 2. Referred to Student Life

XIV. Announcements

- A. Stein- Student Affairs- 5 on Thursday
- B. Yu- Appropriations due Thursday, help with interviews
- C. Staton- Big 12 Black Student Conference is last week of February
 - 1. Email him if you want to volunteer
- D. Hobson- DG is having a denim sale for \$100
 - 1. All proceeds go to school for the blind
- E. Bunch- FAC- Black America
 - 1. If interested in running for University Event Center council
 - a. Happens with other campus wide elections
- F. Benigno- Business Council is having Doug Ulman
- G. Pharmacy- Health care Pharmacy 3.106- how Washington debates effect health programs on UT
- H. Wang- ACC is having Asian Olympics
- I. Lopez- Texas Union Leadership Weekend

1. 30 students to New Braunfels, lots of leadership opportunities
 2. Serve as resource to those who are not as involved
 3. Applications are out and due soon
- J. Social Work- if you can offer even one hour, you can tutor kids
- K. Ferraro- Texas Ventures was awesome, another event is Feb. 10th at 4 Seasons
1. Resignation because felt SG did nothing real- commend work that actually does do something
- L. Katina- if you live in Riverside and drive home, let Katina know

XV. Second Roll Call

XVI. Adjournment 8:46