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Student Government Assembly Meeting

October 24, 2012

- I. Call Meeting to Order 7:09
- II. First Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Oct 16th - Approved
 - b. Oct 23rd - Approved
- IV. Guests
 - a. Michael Redding - Dean of Students Task Force, Student Conduct Board
 - i. I am actually not here as GSA president I am serving as the student conduct board task force, implementation of a project that came out of senate last spring, part of the honor code reform, if you are accused of dishonesty, either the professor can deal with it or it can go through SJS, you can appeal it in two ways through an appeals officer or through a student appeals panel, (jury of your peers) there is a draft report in your agenda
 - ii. 30 people (24 students, 6 faculty and staff)
 - iii. 4 students, 1 faculty or staff, they hear the appeal, reduce sanction, remove it, or uphold it
 - iv. It is a really good idea to have students be able to be adjudicated by students, its your peers, there is more I can go into but I can also entertain questions, if you think of any the membership is on there, you can ask us
- V. Open Forum
- VI. Ex-Officio Reports
 - a. Michael Redding, GSA
 - i. GSA 5k is on Sunday. After this week you wont have to hear me talk about it any more. There is a sale tomorrow, 25 dollars, its for a great cause, you will be getting an email from me encouraging you to sign up, gsa5k.com
 - ii. Career services legislation implementation is being worked on
 - iii. Project with graduate advising, were working on it
 - iv. Wilson: How much is it if we don't get it through the sale tomorrow
 - v. Redding: 35 dollars, and you can do teams as well (team prizes for best costume)
 - b. Michael Morton, Senate of College councils
 - i. Major tracts on transcripts
 - ii. Dual degree graduation application
 - iii. Core curriculum streams
 - iv. Three new pieces of legislation



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- v. Gender equity and how info is reported from each college and schools, the task force report suggested that each college and school reported their pay scale regarding gender numbers and pay, this will standardize that since it hasn't been implemented, will help us see where we need work
- vi. Creation of bachelor of science in economics, also be a minor in math, make a more competitive economics student, better prepared for graduate school
- vii. Minor policy – Currently there is significant difference in terms of how minors are done throughout the university, say you are a student in rhetoric and writing, that department sets the minor rather than say the biology department, for a reason that we really don't know, we are calling for the department for which you gain a minor which sets which courses you need to take, help standardize to provide a credential of a minor (15-18) hours, takes a while to implement because you have to wait until the next course catalog to come out
- viii. Ready set go is this weekend
- ix. Invest in Texas will be sending out an email sometime later this week regarding involvement from SG, Senate, GSA and other organizations so you can decide what committee you would be interested in sitting on to help get input from as many students as possible
- x. We invite everyone to come out to our GA, next Thursday at 7pm, the person in charge of the institute for transformational learning, Ed Ex, his vision, feel free to come out, ask questions, if you haven't been to a GA I would encourage you to come out because I know so many of you watch the live stream (that was a joke)
- xi. MOVEMBER
- c. Thor Wills, SEC
 - i. Haunted house in the Union Ballroom tomorrow night, its really cool, put a lot of work into it
 - ii. 9pm, raiders of the lost arc, union theatre
 - iii. Thursday night 6 and 9pm, expendables 2
- VII. Deputy Advisor Report
 - a. Marilyn Russell – marilyn@austin.utexas.edu
 - i. Regents Pool, Texas higher education coordinating board, due November 9th in the sg senate suite
 - ii. We are in the midst of re-invigorating our ESB, all of the emails have been sent, applications are up online, due November the 8th, the committee will be meeting and they will select from the applicants that we have, each entity will be selected from that board as well as four students



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- iii. LEI is gearing up for swing-out awards, its already happening, if you are interested in being a representative on their committee, they are interested in have two students from each LSO, I will put it on the shoulders of Thor and Wills, awesome opportunity to get plugged into a committee
- iv. Wilson: Where can we find the ESB applications and the swing out?
- v. Marilyn: The Student Regent and
- vi. ESB is on the Dos Website, should be going out
- vii. Wilson: Swing out?
- viii. Russell: You can find that application on the Dean of students website as well

VIII. Executive Reports

- a. Thor Lund, Student Body President – thorlund@utexas.edu
 - i. Who here has voted? Go vote in early elections, once that is early its going to be crazy, you can do it on campus right now as opposed to doing it in yourt preceint
 - ii. If you support a med school at UT, vote for prop 1, get the word out, we can make a big impact, a lot of stuff on the ballot affects us and our future lives here and those that will come after you
 - iii. Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and Student Regents Application are due November 9th
 - iv. Invest in Texas is going great, met with Horacio, Legislative affairs are going to get a lot of great work done
 - v. Make sure we are paying attention to speakers
- b. Wills Brown, Student Body Vice President – wkbrown@utexas.edu
 - i. Thanks to Dean Lilly, Arceli, Marilyn, Tom Dison, Nick Parras
 - ii. Go vote, it takes 2-5 minutes, 7am-7pm
 - iii. Movember starts this Thursday, who's going to do it with me? We met with Texas Exes, Student chapter, spirits and traditions council, if you cant grow a mustache or don't want to, give us ten addresses to mail, we will be penning a letter
- c. Jordan Metoyer, Chief of Staff – jordan.metoyer@gmail.com
- d. Laurel Pugliese, Communications Director – laurel.pugliese@gmail.com
 - i. Repts, Policy Directors and Agency directors should have just gotten an email from me about the media request form, check it out even if you don't have a need for it
 - ii. Points – I update them periodically, Look over the weekend if you think you are missing points, email me or Kori, we can double check, I can tell yall how to get more points



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- iii. Thanks for sending things into the internal newsletter, it's a great resource, keep everyone in the loop, if you have any questions about that just let me know
 - e. Nash Horne, External Finance Director – nashhorne@me.com
 - i. Just want to thank everyone that came out to orange outreach ,it was really fun, Pease park conservancy really enjoyed it, if you didn't make it, don't worry, in November we are doing something bigger, canned food drive on November 19th, reaching out to all organizations, collecting from them, Tom Dison gave us permission to bring in area high school and middle school kids to build a canned food pyramid on Gregory plaza, people can give money or cans, put it on your calendar
 - ii. Excellence fund application is due this Friday at 4pm
 - iii. If any engineering or architecture reps want to help with the design of the pyramid, let us know
 - f. Nirali Shah, Internal Finance Director – nirali.shah@utexas.edu
 - i. First thing is Big 12 on the hill applications will be going out very soon
 - ii. Have been working on the RSO event planning guide, there will be updates on info online about resources on campus for student organizations, there will be more about funding, a lot of research that goes into it, we have to find the right numbers, names, offices, if you want to help out let me know, I will be working on that, if you have any resources that students might use that you are aware of let me know
 - g. Taylor Ragsdale, Administrative Director – taylor.ragsdale@utexas.edu
 - i. October external appointment reports will be in the binder in the SG office behind the printers, you can look at those
 - ii. Just to follow up from something I mentioned last week, there has been a lot of congestion on people sending stuff to all six list servs, from now on if yall have something that you want to send to all of SG, just send it to Laurel (which goes to all of SG every Tuesday) or if its something that you want out right away, also send it to laurel
 - iii. Open Exec meeting tomorrow from 3-4 in the conference room
- IX. Committee Reports
- a. Academic Affairs – Robert Milligan – rmilligan2@gmail.com
 - b. External Affairs – Kori Rady – korirady135@gmail.com
 - i. Rady: This week as Nash stated Orange Outreach occurred, if you go to an event like this it is three outreach points, if you went send an email to laurel and I and we will update that
 - c. Financial Affairs – Sam Leonard – samuel.leonard@utexas.edu



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- d. Legislative Affairs – Horacio Villarreal – hvillarreal27@gmail.com
 - i. Villarreal: We met briefly to talk about what LA's role should be in Invest of Texas, we will take a very active stance in organizational outreach and Policy (Jordan and Josh Fjetsul), heading up research, lining stuff up to make these guys job easier, if you want to help out with that feel free to let us know
 - e. Rules and Regulations – Garrett Riou – garrettriou@yahoo.com
 - f. Student Affairs – Josh Gold – jag518@utexas.edu
- X. Executive Staff Reports
- a. Kent Kashiske, QSA
 - i. I want to thank Thor, Wills and Jordan for coming out to the Queer Texas conference, it was great, 10am-6pm it was really great, building connections
 - ii. 5th general meeting tomorrow in Parlin 101, quick recap of QTC, costume voting
 - iii. Fundraising series throughout November, face aids and another organization for aids research funding
 - b. Gabby Garza, LLAs
 - i. Past Thursday we had our first official meeting, committee chairs
 - ii. Been assigned to committees, should be in your inboxes, which is exciting
 - iii. Social activity is capture the 40 acres with
 - iv. Went through our first round of exec rotations, looking forward to meeting the rest
 - v. Spent our Saturday morning with Orange Outreach and SG and are looking forward to doing more activities like that in the future
- XI. Representative Reports
- a. Andrew Houston, Architecture
 - i. We are still working on architecture week, it will be towards the end of November, maybe next semester, working on events, if there's something you want to see, let us know
 - ii. Foam sword Friday is not happening this semester, it may happen next semester
 - iii. Interior Design – Another major within the school of architecture, Texas as a state is looking to whether interior design has to be registered, if they get rid of that it makes the major worthless, looking into writing legislation
 - b. Kenton Wilson, UWIDE
 - i. Information campaign on the fisher case, and we support UTs stance as student government, we should support we support UT, we were at the rally yesterday, we want to have a neutral information campaign, why it is



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happening, what is going to happen, why sg did what it has done, we should really get behind this

- ii. I am now one of the representatives for Student Government for the Texas Leadership Summit, if you have any ideas about that talk to myself or Jordan Metoyer
 - c. Josh Fuller, Liberal Arts
 - i. Yesterday I had a meeting with Dean Flores, 12 hours full time, cant get on the deans list if you are taking 12 hours, I recommended that he bring up at the curriculum meeting at the end of the month to include students taking 12 hours
 - ii. Been working on legislation with wills about requiring future student government presidents and vice presidents to continue making their state of the 40 acres addresses
 - d. JD Weinstein, Communications
 - i. Speaking on behalf of the communications school, Thursday from 12-5 pm, I along with many communications school reps I will be making tours, right after that will be the dedication, I think it cost just under 60 million dollars, powers and dean of communications school will be there
- XII. Old Business
- XIII. New Business
- a. AR 14 – In Support of Orange Outreach
 - i. Rady: AR 14 about Orange Outreach, we sat down with Stakeholders, and decided that we wanted to keep Orange Outreach a student run initiative, the VLSC was a student government initiative, we want to keep it from going down that route
 - ii. Gold: We wanted this to be done by students for students, and we didn't want it to veer off into a separate program like the VSLC did years ago
 - iii. Wilson: The point of the resolution is keeping it a student run organizations? Is it an executive staff position, a registered student organization?
 - iv. Gold: Its run by the executive staff philanthropy director
 - v. Wilson: Has there been a conversation about making it an agency?
 - vi. Horne: We tried to find middle ground, not restrict it
 - vii. Gold: As former assistant director for philanthropy I think it is an important duty for the position, it helps solidify the role
 - viii. Das: A couple questions I got from this are what Dangers does this face? Why does it have to be institutionalized like this?



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- ix. Horne: The reason there hasn't been any talk of an agency is because where it currently sits it has a bit of freedom, it is not restricted to funding provided by the agency distributions, it is free to act on its own
 - x. Das: Is there anything in this legislation that solidifies that?
 - xi. Gold: We can strengthen it in committee
 - xii. Committed to External Affairs
 - xiii. Fuller: Move to suspend the rules and hear AR 15, seconded
- b. AR 15 In Support of Travis County Central Health Proposition 1 in The City of Austin's Special Election to be Held on Tuesday November 6th
- i. Lund: This is endorsing prop 1 in the election to be held on November 6th, fast tracked because the elections before next Tuesdays meeting, the final stage will be complete to bring a medical school to UT, Regents have agreed to fund 290 millions, tax increase will help pay for that, will be help for central Austin, silver wave in Austin, doctor shortage, will provide great services, brings a lot of prestige to UT, biomedical engineering, research, awesome for the city of Austin, this is something down the road people will be able to say they helped bring to the city of Austin
 - ii. Wilson: Suspend the rules to fast-track, seconded,
 - iii. Fast-track passed
 - iv. Vincent: Motion to vote by unanimous consent, no objections

XIV. Announcements

- a. Fuller: I will have to step down in the spring because I will be in DC for Archer, if you know any good Liberal Arts students, let me know
- b. Vincent: We recently passed several propositions, this Thursday Friday Monday and Tuesday Sandra and I will be heading up a tabling effort to get the word out, we will have hand-outs, expect an email from myself
- c. Ogenche: Table, table table. I am going to put on my partisan hat, Udeems will be having trick or vote, dress up in costumes and get people to vote, get out the vote party on Friday, come to our Rally, table
- d. Stewart: Crystal did a great job with the Robert's Rules workshop, but only six of us were there, lets work on writing legislation and stuff, getting more legislation done, getting it on time, suspending the rules, set an alarm on your phone, you can remember your homework, you can remember that
- e. Gold: Now who here likes texas country music? It's the best. Nov 16th is Texas Cowboys Harvest Moon, tickets at texascowboysharvestmoon.com, benefit the arc of Austin, me or Josh Gold



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- f. Wilson + Vincent: Austin Liggett, UT Grad, Tejas Alum, Retired CEO of Carmax, spoke at DNC recently, daughter is first woman to represent an Asian country in equestrian Olympics, thanks for coming out to tejas coffees
 - g. Logan: Pi Phi Pi burgers and fries after the Iowa State game, tickets are 5 dollars
 - h. Love: Tonight John Glenn, the first man to orbit the earth was at the LBJ school, and I decided I wanted to be him for Halloween, so if you have a motorcycle helmet let me know. John Kerry will be here Friday at the lbj center at 2pm
 - i. Houston: Since tomorrow is Halloween, I have a lot of candy (reverse trick or treat)
- XV. Second Roll Call
- XVI. Adjournment