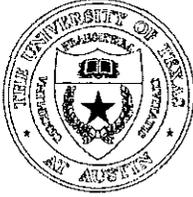


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Student Government Assembly Meeting
November 27, 2012

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. First Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes
- IV. Guests
- V. Open Forum
 - a. LEBA
 - i. Guest speaker tomorrow. Open to all majors, tomorrow we will have Dr. Bob Metcalfe speak about startups in college and entrepreneurship, tell your friends, 6pm in UTC 4.124
 - b. Simon, Faculty council
 - i. I wanted to provide an update on what faculty council has been doing and what they plan to look at
 - ii. Powers came to speak about Prop 1 and the benefits it provides
 - iii. He spoke about the next steps are to formulate a steering committee, dean, building location, administrative issues
 - iv. Desire at later date to include student voice on that committee, they want to establish ground rules first, then approach SG for student voice
 - v. Need for higher ed to be more proactive about presenting a realistic picture of what higher ed does, negative view of a money funnel and not being productive, that now that ut is, that's not what a tier 1 university does, with that education comes support
 - vi. One piece of legislation was the student conduct board, it will be in addition to what is currently offered for students who are disciplined for scholastic dishonesty, almost unanimous, one abstention and 1 no.
 - vii. Resolution looking at fall break left on the docket, will be updating you on next semester
 - c. Seth Snyder
 - i. First term of two year appointment on union board
 - ii. We are in the process of making the SAC budget allocation applications, will be sending those out to all of the sec committees, will be allocating the 2013-2014 budget.
 - iii. In the middle of restructuring the SEC
 - iv. In the final process of appointing our new year faculty appointment
- VI. Ex-Officio Reports
 - a. Michael Redding



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- i. Invest in Texas Platform
 - ii. In the process of implementing other things
 - iii. About the head of to Ann Arbor Michigan for our SAGE conference, kind of like big 12 on the hill but national
- b. Michael Morton, Senate of College Councils
- i. 1 More meeting next Thursday, 4 pieces of legislation
 - ii. Clarifying the plus minus grading system, university has 1 set scale, some confusion on that scale and what it should be used for, hoping to clarify that, its not mandating that all professors use plus minus, there are about 20 percent who don't, meeting with chairs of departments to talk about how plus minus grading affects their department
 - iii. New transcript policy – another way to pay (substantial amount for 15 dollars at the beginning of each semester)
 - iv. Paid medical family leave, isn't offered by the state of Texas, one of the few states that doesn't, every other school that is our comparison school does not do that
 - v. Invest in Texas platform
 - vi. Please get involved with invest in Texas, thanks to all of you who have done so, we have great committee structure, really excited for that, making a lot of progress towards our goals
 - vii. Orange Santa – please drop off a new unwrapped toy in the big cardboard box in the cardboard box in the sg senate office, hoping to have a big toy drive, hopefully next week I will have a big update on something we are
 - viii. Smith: Transcripts? Does that policy apply only to current students, say someone graduates?
 - ix. Morton: The way the current legislation is worded only applies to current students since it is a fee?
 - x. Smith: Were yall looking at a specific length for the paid family leave?
 - xi. Morton: Haven't defined it, it will be looked at
- c. Metoyer SEC
- i. Wed Jazz on the patio, food and music east patio of Texas union, 7:30 to 10
 - ii. American beauty Wednesday late night film series
 - iii. Thursday Bourne legacy 6 and 9pm
 - iv. Have A Heart is this week
 - v. CarisaKelley@yahoo.com for questions
- VII. Deputy Advisor Report
- a. Marilyn Russell – marilynr@austin.utexas.edu



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- i. ESB selection is underway, we have interviewed 17 candidates, congrats to those stakeholders who have been involved in that
- ii. Thanks to the reform commission, lots of meetings, emails, detailed work, holidays, midterms, progress

VIII. Executive Reports

- a. Thor Lund, Student Body President – thorlund@uTexas.edu
 - i. Big thanks to Paige for organizing thanksgiving dinner and Ben Johnson for hosting, it was a great event
 - ii. Entrepreneurship – Event this Thursday at the Texas Exes Alumni center, cotton bowl of Texas entrepreneurship, its really cool, we went last time to announce the creation of the agency, will actually get to announce that we did create it, there are great presentations, group last year went over 100,000 dollars in revenue
 - iii. Will be filming the next address
 - iv. Invest in Texas meetings Sundays at 4pm, show up to meetings if you want to get involved, meet with representatives
- b. Wills Brown, Student Body Vice President – wkbrown@uTexas.edu
 - i. Exterior Water Fountains: I'm emailing Dr Steve Crowl., tell him where we want the first two, 24th and speedway, outside of the PCL, feedback
 - ii. Smith: How do we measure success?
 - iii. Brown: If they aren't dirty and sticky
 - iv. Pickei: Maybe in front of Welch?
 - v. Brown: I will send them a few choices
 - vi. Movember: We have raised about 400 dollars, want to raise 1,000
- c. Jordan Metoyer, Chief of Staff – jordan.metoyer@gmail.com
 - i. Agency Acknowledgements: Nick Spiller, Ash Hall, Kent Kasischke, Ben Johnson, Braydon and Maggie
 - ii. Big 12 on the Hill: Nirali will discuss, we are fundraising for spring, we have had some great reception, commitment, and support, look forward to going in march
 - iii. Other big 12 schools are great, excited to lobby at the capitol
 - iv. Agencies fill out the chief of staff evaluation form
 - v. First Year Experience: This was Thor and wills initiative to make sure that non-traditional and certain student populations on campus can graduate in four years without problems, this has taken two forms
 - vi. First was with admissions



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- vii. Second with SSB, its going through reforms, SG wants to focus on those key groups
- viii. Orange Jackets tappee class are working on a women's resource center that will encompass mothers on campus and students who are parents
- ix. Invest in Texas – Voting tonight, four policy committees, media relations, actual event planning
- x. Were all going to the capitol on the actual lege day
- xi. SG and our spring direction?
- xii. Laurel will talk on new project, we are focusing on advocating on our city, state and national levels, finishing up projects, helping agencies with their events, were still working, energized ,finish out the year strong
- d. Laurel Pugliese, Communications Director – laurel.pugliese@gmail.com
 - i. Outreach Points: Sent you an email before thanksgiving, look for other ways to get points, a few of yall emailed to say you gave cans and went to orange outreach points, just email me, if you have questions let me know
 - ii. New Media and PR new projects: What can SG do for you? IF you want to get involved with that, let me know. How can sg help you, how has sg helped you, how can we work with you? Flyers, a few other things, if you are interested, please approach me, we will be ready to go in the spring, tablers will have flyers with a new message, thing that sg has done, Gregory pools, dead days, things like that
- e. Nash Horne, External Finance Director – nashhorne@me.com
 - i. Trademarking and Liscensing document will be finalized this Tuesday, I will brief yall on that next semester, when it will go into effect
 - ii. Orange Outreach Event: January MLK day of service, Marquee event of the year, Texas Athletics is bringing out a big group, hope to bring out a big group
 - iii. Christmastime, we sell ornaments, if yall could promote people to buy those, it helps the boot scholarship fund
- f. Nirali Shah, Internal Finance Director – nirali.shah@uTexas.edu
 - i. Spending round 3 dates will be coming out before the end of the semester, application will be released, as will the due dates, I will send out a mass email, look out for that
 - ii. Big 12 was great, we got to go to OU, meet with other SGs, got a lot of good feedback, got to give some, we will be putting together a kind of collective platform and we have started the conversations with all of the big 12 schools, but also just the Texas schools, got to meet with everyone, got to start



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conversations, will be updating yall weekly on what is being discussed, if you have something that you would like to be part of the platform, let me know

- g. Taylor Ragsdale, Administrative Director – taylor.ragsdale@uTexas.edu
 - i. Thanks for coming out to the potluck
 - ii. Thanks to Seth and Simon
 - iii. Becky Wesley and I are going to start working tomorrow on a more streamlined process on how to get legislation from you guys to all of the offices you have asked for them to be sent to, currently isn't written down, will be working on that
 - iv. Open meeting Wednesdays at 3

IX. Committee Reports

- a. Academic Affairs – Robert Milligan – rmilligan2@gmail.com
- b. External Affairs – Kori Rady – korirady135@gmail.com
- c. Financial Affairs – Sam Leonard – samuel.leonard@uTexas.edu
- d. Legislative Affairs – Horacio Villarreal – hvillarreal27@gmail.com
 - i. Met last week and passed AR 21 unanimously, all of the reps should have received my email with the invest in Texas information, please look at that, please sign up to help, we should all play a pretty big part in that
- e. Rules and Regulations – Garrett Riou – garrettriou@yahoo.com
- f. Student Affairs – Josh Gold – jag518@uTexas.edu
 - i. We passed AR 18 through committee in support of establishing gender inclusive housing, we postponed AR 19, thought it needed some more work, texted the authors, amended some of the things that we had concerns about, will be meeting immediately after this to talk about it

X. Executive Staff Reports

- a. Nick Spiller, LEA
 - i. Finished our staffing process, ended up taking 21 total, 2 director, Jacob and myself, marketing, development, and external relations, 1 director and 5 agents, very diverse group
 - ii. LEBA tomorrow,
 - iii. Thursday Demo day, networking from 5-6:30, Thor and myself will be making our remarks, Texas spirit cheerleaders will may or may not be performing a cheer I have to write
 - iv. SG meet and great with LEA at longhorn startup camp, food and drink
 - v. Co-founder speed-dating event, come in a cycle through, you talk about your company or entrepreneurial ideas



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b. Joey Mintz

i. City Relations

ii. I need your help in getting West Campus Greener, we have done some pretty exciting stuff

iii. Pat-Os or Atlantic City, recycling cans

iv. We would like you to help us take part in making a party you may know of, frat or sorority, if you want them to recycle their garbage, talk to me

v. Apartment greening

vi. West Campus Green Initiative – Increase green initiatives in West Campus, have had various meetings with the city of Austin, Jim Walker, Austin provided us with a document highlighting every recycling bin in west campus, we geocoded that info, 12 percent of west campus has recycling right now, we attend one of the most prestigious universities in the country. Launching recycling at our building, private valet service, two bins, 3-5 times a week, we need more awareness, block leaders, talked to J McNamara, the IFC president, COOPS on board as well, pick a hand full of stellar students, create some buzz, speak at our events, launch party, teaming up with local business.

vii. Launching our website now, you can come in contact with us, get info out

viii. Love: When I lived in towers, we want to know why we don't recycle

ix. October 1st, all with 75 units and above must offer recycling services, not enforces, not abiding by it, create more movement for this challenge people

x. Love: So the law now requires that they provide it, its just a matter of enforcing and pressuring those complexes to abide by the law?

xi. Mintz: Correct

xii. Josephfmintz@gmail.com

c. Svodoba: Orange Santa is this month and next, donate, encourage through newsletter and social media

i. MLK Day of service, we will come speak to yall when we have a better idea of what it is, put that on your radar

d. Victoria Petruzzi LLA

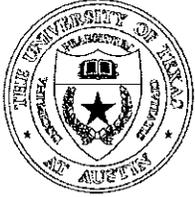
i. Meeting, bonding, wrote letters, logo and statement, finishing up executive rotations, committees update us on meetings, looking forward to Christmas party and invest in Texas

e. Ben Johnson, SURE WALK

i. 33 pizzas in 5 minutes, will be in the PCL for the rest of the semester, hope to operate on Sundays next semester

XI. Representative Reports

a. Kori Rady



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- i. On December 10th the faculty council is looking at the proposal, talking to thor and wills to confirm this, thinking about having some student support there, if it doesn't get tabled, the vote will be on January 28th, assume we would want to have some student presence at the meeting

XII. Old Business

a. AB 6

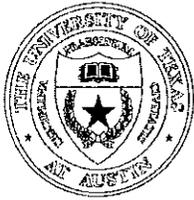
- i. Riou: Made quite a few amendments, took out the usage of Youtube, added video address, added it to the constitution
- ii. Gold: What do yall think about taking out video?
- iii. Riou: We still like the idea of a video because you get that actual feel that you don't get on a daily basis, how they handle their business, that you wont be able to get through email or transcript
- iv. Fuller: Want to thank everyone for coming out last night, we spent over an hour and a half, it looks different but the spirit is the same, did good work on it, took out YouTube, and put video address instead.
- v. Zhao: Can I make another suggestion for a friendly amendment? Article 37 internal rules, face book posts and tweets, can we take that out by authors permission? "Replace with social networking"
- vi. Gold: What are the rules for passing a constitutional amendment?
- vii. Metoyer: 2/3 majority of reps, must be reviewed by Dean Lilly, Legal, Board of Regents
- viii. ADD THOR AS AN AUTHOR
- ix. AB 6 does not pass (needs 26, has 24)
- x. Amendment to remove the first two sections referring to the constitution, seconded
- xi. Amended AB6 passed

b. AR 18 – In Support of Establishing a Gender Inclusive Housing Program at the University of Texas at Austin

- i. Gold: We didn't really change anything, fixed footnotes, grammar, nothing substantial
- ii. Approved by unanimous consent

c. AR 21 – Regarding the Need for a Crosswalk at the UT Administration Building

- i. Villarreal: We met this week, it passed unanimously without change, want Virginia to give yall more information
- ii. Virginia: I have been working with Hilal to get this passed in SG, an identical bill passed in GSA, want to continue to pressure the city to do this
- iii. Last week accidents were mentioned, we looked into them and found that none of them pertained to daytime foot traffic.



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- iv. Houston sponsor
- v. Approved by hand vote

XIII. New Business

- a. AR 22 – In Support of the Invest in Texas Platform 2013
 - i. Villarreal: This outlines our platform, I hope we all agree to support this, huge campaign to support this
 - ii. Smith: Keep us safe? Does UT want guns on campus or do they not want guns on campus?
 - iii. Lund: They do not want guns on campus. Talking to administrators and safety officers, they say that its hard to tell who are the good guys and the bad guys, average pedestrian doesn't have good aim, don't want to endanger innocent bystanders
 - iv. Gold: That isn't what this is doing, correct, this is just allowing UT to set its own policy?
 - v. Lund: A&M wants guns, we thought to do it like this to get more buy in because it allows each school to set its own policy, we don't want a statewide policy
 - vi. Wilson: What was the exact reason behind choosing 2010 levels in grant and funding levels?
 - vii. Lund: The last level before it was cut, we don't think they will be giving us more than before, just want as much as before, a restoration of the old levels.
- b. AB 7 (Constitutional Part of AB 6)
 - i. Committed to Legislative Affairs
- c. Student Government Election Code
 - i. Riou: Changes to Election code (educational language, enforcement of fines, deposit language, change associating to endorsing, a few other small changes)
 - ii. Gold: Whats the distinction between endorsing and association?
 - iii. Wiseman: Association, having coffee, endorse, campaigning with, working together, collaborating
 - iv. Riou: ESB may not serve on any appellate, vice versa
 - v. Rady: Any talk on change of inflation?
 - vi. Riou: 900 to 970 since 2008
 - vii. Gold: In Article 8.03 under campaigning, title 2, what is the definition of individual team member? Whats the difference between actual team members and students in general
 - viii. Wiseman: That would be something to look at, spirit is just the scope of it, communicating 1 on 1 versus mass messaging



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- ix. Gold: I don't want it to be where you can just be like yeah im telling these people to be on my team not when they are really just campaigning
- x. Wiseman: there is a difference between recruiting and campaigning in the definition of campaigning now
- xi. Gold: Burden of proof on who is filing the complaint?
- xii. Kallen: Educational? What is the meaning for that?
- xiii. Riou: Read the beginning with the educational part
- xiv. Williams: Were any other entities from the campus wide elections actually involved in the conversation? GSA? Union Board? Maybe the changes don't affect SG but they affect the other entities
- xv. Riou: This is just the SG part of this, we will be inviting those entities to future conversations
- xvi. Rady: Any conversation regarding 20 percent of campaign expenditures?
- xvii. Riou: In all conversations we have had we liked 20 percent
- xviii. Gold: I know there was talk about changing the campaign period, was there any talk about that?
- xix. Wiseman: As it is now they can file starting the first day of the spring semester, campaign 2 weeks before election
- xx. Committed to Rules and Regulations

XIV. Announcements

- a. Robert Milligan: Comm. Council students issues advisory council issued our yearly survey, if you are a comm. Student, log on to our website and take the survey, it takes three minutes, just do it, we want to get a lot of information
- b. Friday Nov 30th between 10-1, donuts with the deans lobby of Belo center
- c. Fuller: Two Saturdays from now Dec 8th from 7-10 pm, all honors formal, downtown at recess bar, anyone is free to go, you don't have to be in an honors program, although I feel like that will be mainly the people that will be there. Tickets are 10 dollars ahead of time, slightly more expensive at the door
- d. Gold: SA is meeting right after this
- e. Pickei: This Friday there is a natural science meeting, meet the deans, president of student orgs, 12-1 in WCH 1.108. Free food, free birds burritos, let me know so I can get you a ticket
- f. Williams: CTBAC applications are due Friday for the college of education, if you love to serve students and want to sit on this committee and are an education student please apply
- g. Rady: EA will be meeting right after this
- h. Smith: Crystal and I attended a panel discussion on UT Fischer Asian Americans and we apparently crystal is involved in some sort of legislation in support of keeping our



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center for asian-american studies and there are concerns about if that's gone and the other ethnic centers, if you're interested, lets keep putting the pressure on crystal.

- i. Metoyer: Freshmen: Rappaport service scholarship, Alisha Patel and Ugeo Williams and myself and Alyssa Davis are Rappaport scholars, 30,000 dollar scholarship, 300 hours of service over the summer, life changing event, if you have questions, please talk to any one of us, email the coordinator Carlos Eric Bowles, you have some time to apply, applications will not be open until February

XV. Second Roll Call

XVI. Adjournment