



STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSEMBLY
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THE 108TH SESSION
OF THE
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSEMBLY

STUDENT GOVERNMENT GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

Tuesday, April 29th, 2014

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. First Roll Call
- III. Approval of the Minutes
 - a. The Minutes Pass
- IV. Guests
 - a. City of Austin Office of Engagement
 - i. Guest: We're here to talk a little bit more about college engagement. Community engagement is unique to the city of Austin, we really want to have the input and opinions from Austin's college campuses. 301 is a number you can call for any information you may need
 - ii. Guest: Speak Up Austin is a unique web format for community engagement, if you think Austin isn't doing something they should be doing put it on speak up Austin, once the issue has 20 votes the city of Austin has to address it, the bike share program came from Speak Up Austin, it's just one of the many ways you can be involved in the city, part of my job is to talk to different cities, we need your help and support in this, there's also different community forms, you get the ability to say what you want in a park for example, Conversation Core is a new initiative, there will be about 10 conversation spots around the city and one on the university campus, there will be a new topic each month and you can basically talk to the city, it's a great way to get involved in the city of Austin, you have influence over the way your city is run, here in Austin your opinion really does matter, there are 3 different leadership roles we're looking for: facilitators, scribes, and participants, we have information sheets on the back table so you can stay updated with our programs, if you just send us an email we'll do our best to keep you in the database to keep you informed, we really do want to try to come out regularly to all Austin campuses instead of making the students come out to formal city council meetings, any questions
 - iii. Patel, T: I think it would be great if we could get connected with city leaders, just build stronger relationships
- V. Open Forum
 - a. Professor Dana Cloud



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- i. Shared services, it's my understanding you have a resolution about this on your docket, what the plan involves is centralizing services on campus, taking some staff and putting them in a shared center, it's already hard enough at a university this, another downside is the loss of up to 500 positions, so in addition to being remote there will be so many fewer staff as well, I wanted to make point, I think that you all should pass a resolution in regards to shared services, this transformation at UT is a very corporate management model, it's not entirely clear that it will save money or make a profit, it may depend on even more cuts, the last points I want to make is that there's a bigger picture here, y'all discussed tuition hikes, this tuition hike is part of the same big picture, the administration is trying get more money due to state neglect, students are going to bare that cost, and the staff and faculty are likewise baring that cost, there is a bigger picture, students and staff should not be baring the burden of that cost, students and staff should stand together against shared services
 - b. Professor Al Martinez
 - i. I've been teaching at UT for 9 years and am a member of faculty council, the plan is to cut 500 jobs from staff positions, it appeals to an urge to save money, but it underestimates the work the 500 staff do, in addition to removing the 500 they would take 400 people out of the departments and put them in a shared services building, the reason for this is to get money, we cut 500 jobs we get \$30 – \$40 million a year, tuition needs to be raised anyhow, we have to hire outside advisors and pay them money that we don't have and they know nothing of academia, the basic problem is a pattern of overestimating benefits and underestimating costs, their projection that we would break even and make profit in year 6 is defective, now they've revised it, now they say it would take 8 years to see a payback, this kind of problem led the University of Michigan faculty to sign a position to stop shared services, the truth is that by looking at percentages of the budget we're getting an illusion
 - c. Ryan R.
 - i. As a military veteran, we had shared services in the army, a lot of the time the failure to shared services is called failure to man, one of the issues I have; we need to form a committee to keep students involved, I think we need some kind of action committee or we can address this failure demand
 - d. White Rose Society
 - i. On Friday the White Rose Society is putting on an event at Painter Hall at 8, about the longevity of life, my friend will speak about her life and President Rady will be opening the event
- VI. Ex-Officio Member Reports
- a. Graduate Student Assembly
 - i. Last meeting we passed a bill on stealth dorms, it's in collaboration with Senate and SG, we're celebrating our 20th year and then we have a very full meeting this



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week and it will all be fast tracked, the major thing is that shared services will be discussed, there will be a resolution about shared services planning coming to a halt, we will be discussing JR2, and we will be appointing people

b. Senate of College Councils

- i. We are currently picking out PSAC appointments, also on August 28th and 29th we'll be hosting our academic expo, look out for more information throughout the summer, we invite all of you to attend our last assembly meeting this Thursday, our next general assembly will be open forum to express the qualities we would like to see in our future chancellor

c. Events and Entertainment

- i. We have 2 more events for the rest of the year, we're showing American Hustle on Thursday and we have Foam Sword Friday this Friday

VII. Internal Appointments

- a. Jordan- following this agenda exactly barring any circumstances, stay as long as you can, please send me an email, thank you for being here, introduce exec staff based on exec member they work under

b. Public Relations- Yanelis Garcia, Julia Waicberg

- i. Waters- Yan has a lot of PR experience, with Austin Film Festival, a lot of SG experience,

1. Garcia-digital presense,

- ii. Waicberg- no question about SG passion, great work ethic,

1. Waicberg- 1st year, worked in SG this year with Lani, Assistant Director of New Media, keep up with initiative of what SG can do for you, make sure we are achieving all of our efforts,

- a. 8:28 appointed

c. New Media- Breanna Wiethorn, Jaime Villarreal, Stephen Goin

- i. Waters- has great experience, working with political ad agency this semester,

1. Wiethorn- working with a global one this summer, driving traffic to our website, doing that in a graphic way,

- ii. Waters- fills in all the gaps I want filled, great ideas about newsletter,

1. Villarreal- legis aide for a state office, work with media all day, technical director in high school, get it on Longhorn Network, be a voice for the assembly,

- a. 8:32 pm unanimous consent

- iii. Waters- came with a portfolio of ideas with ads, has video experience and graphics

1. Goin- LLA, in FLO and UBC, giving SG a new branding effort, increase our transparency,

- a. Patrick- utilizing new media?

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- i. Campus connectors, reach out to their constituents to reach out to SG, give them a new face
- 1. 8:35 pm unanimous consent
- d. Social Activity- Andrea Haddad
 - i. Aimuyo- in her application, had similar ideas on the positions
 - 1. Haddad- want yall to be friends in order to work together
 - a. Long- type of activities?
 - i. Games bring people together, catchphrase, poker, corporate games to build relationships
 - 1. 8:37 pm unanimous consent
- e. External Appointments- Teresa Nguyen
 - i. Aimuyo- tighten up this position, bring that information to you guys
 - 1. Nyugen- helped on campaign this semester, inspired by the people involved in campaigns, helped with leadership development seminars for high schoolers for the last two years, director of programs, plan on being at meetings, work on campaign goals, finding study places for CNS
 - a. Geison- what qualities do you have for this position since you didn't pref it on your application?
 - i. Get meeting minutes, knowing when minutes are, attend these meetings, parking and traffic appeals, work with safety board, problem with students, drop of people, meet with each appointee each month
 - 1. 8:42 pm unanimous consent
- f. Development- Gisel Acquatella, Richard Sparr
 - i. Mason- interview was outstanding, student affairs chair in LAC, developing Alumni Gala, a lot of ideas, let her talk about her ideas,
 - 1. Acquatella- wrote handwritten letters to students, calling them, university admin would appreciate it,
 - a. Barth- why was this position not something you preffed?
 - i. Mason- initiative was more geared towards development, alumni relations work with development, talking about direct outreach to them,
 - 1. Acquatella- work on gala to make them more acquainted and connected with UT
 - a. 8:47 pm unanimous consent
 - ii. Mason- Richard had a lot of ways to develop the position in the future
 - 1. Sparr- secure the funds to do this, talked with people, spend my first summer at UT raising funds for UT, been able to reach out to alumni, being available and enthusiastic
 - a. 8:47 pm unanimous consent
- g. Alumni Relations- Avery Staples



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- i. Mason- One of the LLAs, knew a lot about position, had ideas of what to do with position
 - 1. Staples- love SG, reaching out to alumni, increase a newsletter, organize a mixer with current members and alumni of assembly,
 - a. 8:51 pm unanimous consent
- h. Director of Appropriations-Sarang Patel
 - i. Miller- initiatives exactly in line with mine, new way to do appropriations
 - 1. Patel- use appropriations to analyze efficiency of organizations, create detailed report of student organization, see if their goals met
 - a. 8:54 pm unanimous consent
- i. Philanthropy-Zach Schmidt
 - i. Mason- worked under Robert for the last year, started his own nonprofit
 - 1. Schmidt- 2 major events each semester, utilize u-wide representatives
 - a. 8:56 pm unanimous consent
- j. Longhorn Legislative Aids- Arushi Pandya, Kendall Hughes
 - i. Jordan- LLAs, saw how passionate they were about the position, a lot of ability to take first year students through their year,
 - ii. Hughes- LLA website, submit work orders, put on LLA bios, adding a group interview,
 - iii. Pandya- increase work that LLAs do in SG, work with executive staff and appointees,
 - 1. 9:14 pm unanimous consent
- k. Longhorn Run- Ashley Allen
 - i. Jordan- selected by the previous director, recommended for work ethic, took a leadership role on that,
 - 1. Allen-5th year at UT, on the committee for the 3rd year
 - a. 8:58 pm unanimous consent
- l. Campus Safety-Martha "Hunter" Albritton
 - i. Jordan- sure walk agency experience, has had a lot of interaction with staff and agencies
 - 1. Albritton- want information available in bright colors, all over campus, want everyone to know what those resources are, have contacts through sure walk, contacts in voice against violence
 - a. 10:09 pm unanimous consent
- m. Sure Walk-Charles Steen
 - i. Jordan- talking about sure walk marketing to freshman, speak to the concerns they have had,
 - 1. Steen- really great service they have, more accessible and visual, allow incoming freshman to know more about it, push it out to everyone, great service to us,
 - a. Patel (Taral)- how to push out the app?



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- i. Steen- app being created right now, get it implemented, more elegant than an email or phone call
 - 1. 9:01 pm unanimous consent
- n. Queer Students Alliance
 - i. Involved with QSA since day 1, feel more welcome on campus and SG, make queer texas conference bigger, more about communities
 - 1. Patel (Taral)- civic concerns? Concerns on housing and bathrooms?
 - a. Working with town halls, pinpoint problem we are trying to take as a whole,
 - i. 9:05 pm unanimous consent
- o. Students with Disabilities-Erin Gleim
 - i. Jordan- foster better student communication, previously hasn't done too much outreach
 - 1. Gleim- take a year off, SSD doesn't have resources for those students, but we want to get information out to students
 - a. Barth- what blew you away in interview?
 - i. Jordan- her personal experiences
 - b. Patel (Taral)- Talk more about your initiatives
 - i. Gleim- SSD won't work with you if you can't come into their office so I would work to change that
 - 1. 9:10 pm unanimous consent
- p. Civic Engagement Policy Director -Taylor Lopez-Huebner
 - i. Jordan- communication before and after, very, very through with following up, worked with AEI,
 - 1. Lopez-Huebner- started political organization group, had 400 students attend the event, letting them know about political events, different people engaged in different issues
 - a. Patel (Taral)- how to include groups that have not been involved?
 - i. Lopez-Huebner- have form to have SG reps come to their meeting and what SG can do for them, having Josh showed me how powerful having a member of SG on your team works
 - b. Long- get communities to run for SG?
 - i. Lopez-Huebner- exposing them to SG so they run for positions
 - 1. 9:20 pm unanimous consent
- q. Advocacy Policy Director-Claire Labry
 - i. Labry- transfer student, 2nd year in SG, diversity and inclusion, encourage them to hold town halls, modeled after QSA's model, continuation of Vagina Monologues, work with Students with Disabilities office, be transparent,
 - 1. 9:23 pm unanimous consent
- r. Leadership, Service, and Policy Director- Ethan Balsamo
 - i. Jordan- distinguished student on campus, has done a lot with SG



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1. Balsamo- was an LLA and was a co-director, want everyone to set their own goals,
 - a. Nalley- how will previous SG experience help with this position?
 - i. Balsamo- was in FLO and an LLA, we wanted to bring everyone in, being a FIG mentor,
 1. 10:14 pm unanimous consent
- s. State Relations-John Brown
 - i. Brown-empower students to advocacy, work under Perry, keep with contacts, get their phone calls returns, this is like a lobbyist position, listen to everyone, achieve all of our goals, we need students to testify in committee, enlist students from across campus,
 1. 9:30 pm unanimous consent
- t. Federal Relations-Kali Lang
 - i. Jordan- Kali is an Archer Fellow and is in DC right now
- u. City Relations-Robert Svobada, Olivia Arena
 - i. Jordan- full support for these candidates, great ideas for new structure and prompted us to make changes
 1. Svobada- UAP directors, involved in city relations issues, stealth dorms, number of things, worked with UAP, knowledgeable about issues that come up,
 2. Arena- backgrounds in urban studies, serve on UAP, organize a panel next week, you all are informed about in the past, students are actively involved, Task Force of informed leaders,
 - a. Patel (Taral)- getting students involved
 - i. Svobada- getting students involved in voting and other issues, having relationship with city members,
 - ii. Arena- connections with mayor's office, working on those
 - b. Long- specific ideas for getting people in involved in city issues?
 - i. Arena- they can affect change immediately in city politics, programming different events,
 1. 9:40 pm unanimous consent
 - v. Out of State, International and Transfer Students Agency- Matthew Schonland
 - i. Jordan- fits all three categories, original from South Africa, transferred to UT, traveled a lot, fact that I am all three, magic fit, not everyone has seamless transition into UT, work in international office, working with international students, integrate students, help them build the gap, implement buddy system, when they arrive they don't know about UT
 1. Long- when I transferred, had difficulty getting into SG? How would you help them get involved?
 - a. Schonland- use buddy system through word of mouth and my work in international office, showing the passion on campus, spreading the word,



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2. Patel (Taral)- they don't know the environment well, they don't know where to get resources?
 - a. Schonland- use buddy system and international office, information session, how to function in this society and culture, no gap between different kinds of students,
 - i. 9:50 pm unanimous consent
- w. Health & Wellness Policy Director- Victoria Petruzzi
 - i. Jordan- at the front of health and wellness position and worked with legislation, needed person with strong legislation and management experience
 1. Petruzzi- LLA and former rep, strong connection with UHS, expand healthy horns fest,
 - a. 9:52 pm unanimous consent
- x. Hook The Vote- Max Patterson
 - i. Jordan- involved with udems, 2nd person in Travis county to register people number, voter registration is a key part of this agency, 5 weeks after school starts to register people before deadline for November election, organizations across campus, student rep on that council, work with him, get debates organized
 1. Long- how many people have you registered?
 - a. Around 500
 2. Patel (Taral)- how to get more voters?
 - a. Have more events with various people
 - i. 9:59 pm unanimous consent
- y. Womens' Resource Agency- Charlotte McClure
 - i. Transferred out and back, having mentors in business and science, 50% of population is women but only 5% of Fortune 500 CEOs are women, special interest groups that women are in, start female version of camp Texas,
 1. 10:01 pm unanimous consent
- z. Diversity & Inclusion Agency Director- Amber Magee
 - i. Jordan- initiative was comprehensive, fit in well with agency and involvement,
 1. Magee- broad, went through a transition period, short term and long term goals, serve as an orientation advisor, not mandatory to attend social justice event, time for it to shift and change, short term goals, identifying stakeholder, we all have something that makes us diverse, long term goals is to do event-planning, have a lot of agency, use right resources and people, using training programs, people have different identifications, we as a body have to represented these students
 - a. 10:06 pm unanimous consent
- aa. FLO- Trevor
 - i. Jordan- this appointment is internal and chosen after our appointment
 1. Trevor- pretty involved in FLO, co-chair of fundraiser, did a lot of profit shares, only involved in for a year, push general interest in other organizations
 - a. 10:18 pm unanimous consent



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bb. Justice of the Court- Loriann Kovacic

- i. Wiseman- clerk for the past year, justice for the 2014-2015, projecting court decisions, served in the Navy,
 1. Kovacic- learned a lot, pull together, make sure I was educated and informed, remaining fair, firm and impartial
 - a. 10:20 pm unanimous consent

VIII. Motion to table

- i. Draper- bolded names did not pref their appointments, didn't get interview notes, assembly feels rushed
 1. Aimuyo- notified of position they are were nominated for, they accepted the position, had skills they could be applied for you,
 2. Jordan- Eric Park, Frank Male, Logan Crosley, did pref appointments to top 3, didn't provide interview notes to protect privacy of interviewees
- ii. Cavazos- all interview notes have to made public, not upon request, nothing against appointments, more about procedure,
- iii. Long- make the most qualified people are chosen, changed that were made in appointments, information should be made public
 1. Mason- no reason to table them , you can ask them questions
 2. Jordan- interview notes have never been provided, protect interviews, number one concern
- iv. Cavazos-made not have qualifications related to them, setting precedent of not following the rules
 1. Rady- give students chance to speak
- v. Long- this is not transparent, no interview notes provided, people are not qualified

IX. External Appointments

- a. SSBC- Sarang Patel, Dillon West
 - i. Patel- extensive experience in budgeting, SSBC advisory board, variety of students who are impacted by the budget,
 1. 10:49 pm unanimous consent
 - ii. West- work at an investment management firm, one time fund, looking at the past SSBC budgets, think that we need to reach out to the students, help and push forward the ideas, being realistic, assess decisions, how much you put in and you get out of it, reach out to other orgs,
 1. 10:52 pm unanimous consent
- b. Womens Athletic Council- Cody McCrary
 - i. Aimuyo- very qualified for this position, will let her speak for herself
 1. McCrary- student athlete, grew up around sports, I have good places to start with, communications major so that will be helpful, get more people to sporting events, part of a lot of different things, diverse backgrounds



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- a. 10:55 pm unanimous consent
- c. Mens Athletic Council- Charlie Adkins
 - i. Aimuyo- part of LLA and UBC, made longhorn run better than before
 - 1. Adkins- work with UT Athletics, connect students now, want to go into athletics
 - a. 10:56 pm unanimous consent
- d. Faculty Building Advisory- FC - Jamie Nalley, Cameron Kerl
 - i. Aimuyo- interesting approach to building and positions
 - 1. Nalley- arch engineering, study all aspects of buildings
 - a. 10:58 pm unanimous consent
 - 2. Kerl- biochem freshman, first class university and deserve first class buildings
 - a. 11:00 pm unanimous consent
- e. Financial Aid to Students – FC- Summer Thomas, Adit Bior, Yukai Wang
 - i. Aimuyo- take notes of these meetings and require them to come do reports
 - 1. Thomas- wouldn't be here without financial aid package, want to give back
 - a. 11:02 pm unanimous consent
- f. Texas Exes Student Leadership Committee- Kyle Mason
 - i. Mason- want them to know that I have their best interest, establish that relationship further, huge resources
 - 1. 11:04 pm unanimous consent
- g. Student Conduct Advisory Committee- Sam Devine
 - i. Devine- second year finance major, advocate for students, students have a role in this group, students have a say in this
 - 1. 11:05 pm unanimous consent
- h. Rec Sports – FC- Eli Sterbcow
 - i. Sterbcow- combination of SG and sports, involved in rec sports, played softball, publicize IM availability, improve maintenance of IM fields, get into contact with other schools to compete for sporting events,
- i. CANPAC- Central Austin Neighborhood Planning Advisory Committee- Ryan Rafols
 - i. Aimuyo- received a recommendation from previous member,
 - 1. Rafols- served in the military, get student interest, vocal and active student voices on it, look forward to working with you
 - a. 11:12 pm unanimous consent
- j. UAP- University Area Partners- Robert Svoboda
 - i. Aimuyo- extensive SG experience,
 - 1. Svoboda- have extensive experience in this field and working for this, want to continue these initiatives,
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- k. TSM- Texas Student Media - Eric Park
 - i. Rescinded 11:21 pm
 - 1. Jordan- email from nominee who was not on our list, Eric will still be serving as a nominee because we need to have student representation on this board through the summer
 - a. Debate to table appointment
 - i. (con) Jordan- Eric Park was always a nominee, you should hear him, David Maly was never the nominee for this positions
 - ii. (pro) Nalley- this is an issue of transparency
 - iii. (con) Patrick- the rules were all followed, if all nominees challenged decisions we would be here forever
 - iv. (pro) Cavazos- meetings with appointees are public knowledge,
 - 1. Appointment tabled 11:29 pm
- l. Faculty Council Recruitment and Retention- Harrison West, Scott Urbis, Frank Male
 - i. West- bring more awareness to lesser-known programs, 2nd highest rates of attrition from 1st generation, want to make this more aware during orientation
 - ii. Urbis- involvement as VP of DECA, very eager candidate, business honors and plan 2, recruiting and retaining minority students, talk with them about their college goals
 - 1. 11:33 pm unanimous consent
 - iii. Male- co-director for physics education, getting minorities into grad school, FRI, what makes minority students different in their endeavors
 - 1. 11:35 pm unanimous consent
- m. Admission and Registration – FC- Jacob Spangler, Wes Draper, Ben Carver
 - i. Aimuyo- Jacob has experience from inside the admissions office, Wes has initiatives related to that, Ben looking to get involved
 - 1. 11:37 pm unanimous consent
- n. Diversity and Equity Student Advisory Council- Josh Alvarez
- o. SHAC- Conner Hughes, Giselle Ricoy
 - i. Aimuyo- former LLA and Natural Sciences rep, shadows doctor,
 - 1. Hughes- shadow doctors, shadowed over 40, doctors have to be approachable
 - a. 11:39 pm unanimous consent
- p. Bicycle Committee- Logan Crosley
 - i. Crosley- had a couple of issues with bike policies, had resources but didn't know about it, kickstand, couched in the corner in speedway,
 - 1. Patrick- ideas for advertising bike services?
 - a. Crosley- would like to see more information about that
 - 2. Taral- how will you work with projects downtown?



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- a. Crosley- work with the groups to make students more aware of them
 - i. 11:44 pm unanimous consent
 - q. CHMC- Samantha Meyer
 - r. UTPD Oversight- Alex Mark, Daniel Warner, John Moselle
 - i. Aimuyo- very intelligent and well-spoken on this issue, issues in west campus and beyond, student safety,
 - 1. Warner- as president of my fraternity, I deal with APD on a regular basis, need to work with APD and UTPD
 - 2. Alex Mark- Look forward to working with UTPD, students need to have more voice with them,
 - 3. John Moselle- will we have our rights respected, issues of lighting, a lot of students don't realize you can make a complaint to UTPD,
 - a. Patel (Taral)- lighting issues with North campus?
 - i. Warner- not in UTPD jurisdiction but can work on that
 - s. Legal Services- Sergio Cavazos
 - i. Being a liaison with the students and let them know about legal services
 - 1. 11:52 pm unanimous consent
 - t. Student Organization Safety Board- Matt Tiritilli
 - i. Tiritilli- involved with P2 KIPP tutoring, make sure that we emphasize safety, work with others to use insight and improve position , making sure that we are making this campus safer
 - 1. Sherman- ideas for safety week?
 - a. Utilizing social media,
 - i. 11:56 pm unanimous consent
 - u. Faculty Council- Alice Liu
 - v. Library Committee- Logan Crosley
 - i. Crosley- lack of availability of media resources across all the libraries, sharing
 - 1. 11:58 pm unanimous consent
 - w. Union Board of Directors- Alex Huggins, Jaan Bains
 - i. Huggins- worked with E and E, a lot of internal knowledge of the union board,
 - 1. 12:00 pm unanimous consent
 - x. Student Endowed Centennial Lectureship - Christian Trudeau
 - i. Trudeau- work with E and E and work with people, brought interesting people to speak,
 - 1. 12:04 pm unanimous consent
- X. Advisor Report
- a. Marilyn Russell, *Deputy to the Dean of Students* – marilynr@austin.utexas.edu
- XI. Executive Reports
- a. Kornel Rady, *President* – korirady135@gmail.com



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- i. Email about the meetings I have been having, branding is going well, submitted proposal for on campus tailgating, if you are here this summer let's work on legislation
 - b. Taylor Strickland, *Vice President* – taylor.strickland@utexas.edu
 - c. Chris Jordan, *Chief of Staff*– christopherjordan@utexas.edu
 - i. new appointments coming out soon, SG history, nontraditional students were internal appointments not filled, appointments will be interim directors, agency directors will transition now, campus safety agency, counselors in academic, do that before summer,
 - d. Nathan Waters, *Communications Director*– watersnathan1@gmail.com
 - i. give me a day in advance for graphics, meeting about parking and transitions,
 - e. Rachel Miller, *Internal Financial Director*– Rachel.miller@utexas.edu
 - i. spending deadline is May 3rd, please join summer finance and appropriations
 - f. Kyle Mason, *External Financial Director*– kylemason1@utexas.edu
 - i. promote boot scholarship, change facebook page, going to be here to help sell boots,
 - g. Nosa Aimuyo, *Administrative Director*– nosaaimuyo@utexas.edu
 - i. great representative retreat, really appreciate your involvement,
- XII. Director and Executive Staff Reports
- a. Houston- meeting to talk about campus master plan and making sure it's implemented, important because everyone was specifically about appointments
- XIII. Judicial Report
- a. Philip Wiseman, Chief Justice – wiseman.philip@utexas.edu
 - i. The court voted 3:2 about the injunction to appointments, one of the things the court has talked about this evening we don't want to create any barriers with appointments, as far as appointments go tonight, treat all appointments tonight as interim appointments, any nominee that has been serving in office will be treated as interim, and we will not be swearing anyone in from appointments tonight
 - ii. Applications for justices are out, all majors are welcome, get confirmation from dean of students on internal rules changing, y'all are in great hands,
- XIV. Unfinished Business
- a. AR 5- In Support of Increased Branding and Signage on the Campus
 - i. This is the same legislation y'all saw last week, it went through committee and passed unanimously, and there were no changes
 - 1. Cavazos: I move to approve to AR5 by unanimous consent.
 - a. 7:34 pm unanimous consent
 - b. AR 6- In Support of Student Identification Cards from Institutes of Higher Education Meeting Voter Requirements in the State of Texas



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- i. Jordan: This is our statement of support ensuring that our student ID's can be used to vote in the state of Texas, students are marginalized by the fact that we students can't use student ID's to vote, we would like to see student ID's added to that list, we are nowhere close to getting this passed as an amendment, we've received a lot of support for this so the next step is showing that students are in support
 - ii. Cavazos: We think this is a great legislative issue to tackle, so we feel it's an overwhelming issue students are passionate about
 - iii. Patel (Taral): I have personally seen student that are from out of state that don't have a Texas ID and they are not able to go vote, this is a very real concern across our campus, so we want to show students support
 - iv. Jordan: As far as the timing of this issue, this is the first step, this does fit in with the mission of Invest in Texas, this is our way of making sure that we hit the ground running to make sure this is successful, questions
 - v. Crane: Can y'all remove all of the tracked changes from this legislation?
 - vi. Jordan: Yes, we can remove all of the tracked changes
 - vii. Sacks: Last meeting there was some controversy about undocumented students.
 - viii. Jordan: This legislation simply says we would like to see student ID's meet voter requirements, as an author those kind of issues are not something I considered in writing this legislation, these issues will be addressed as they come up
 - ix. Patel (Taral):: This is the big picture, that information is already taken care of by Travis county, undocumented students will still not be able vote because there are already mechanisms in place to take care of it
 - x. Jordan: The purpose of this legislation is do decrease marginalization of students, any other questions
 - xi. Nalley: I move to approve AR6 by voice.
 1. 7:44 pm unanimous consent
 - c. AR 7- In Support of the National Design Services Act
 - i. Cavazos: It passed without any issues but I'll hand it off to Andrew
 - ii. Houston: I will answer any questions in regards to this piece of legislation.
 - iii. Sherman: I move to approve AR7 by voice.
 1. 7:46 pm unanimous consent
- XV. New Business
- a. AR 8-In Support of the State Loan Access and Student Protection Act
 - i. Wiseman: We think that student governments across the state, can light a fire under the Texas legislature
 1. Committed to Legislative Affairs
 - b. AR 9-In Opposition to Shared Services
 - i. Patel (Taral): Most people want to fight for a great university, I don't think that the shared services plan fits any of the goals of the university, from state to state and university to university Accenture has a terrible track record, we need to fully analyze everything that's going on in this debate because it's important, the shared services program has forced employees to speak out about poor working



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conditions, we've been told that these cut jobs will from retirement or attrition, but we have discovered that people have been laid off, I would like to that the president for his commitment to making this university the best possible, but we need to listen to our community and do the right thing

- ii. Anderson: I thought shared services was a plan to combat budget cuts, I thought that the centralization of services would provide revenue, as a member of PSAC I felt it was necessary to relay my constituents opinions to President Powers, my overall impression was the pilot programs goal was to see what works and what didn't, President Powers has made everything very clear, the contract with Accenture is done, they've given us they're findings and we'll decided what needs to be done, but the implementation of Accenture \$400 million idea is not transparent enough, why aren't we addressing our campuses concerns through the university, however the time has come for a real campus dialogue, I would like to see Accenture's plan ignored and Longhorns working together again
- iii. Crane: The difference between UT and the University of Michigan is that the plan for UT was developed at UT.
- iv. Anderson: If was true, why did we pay \$400 million for this plan, I don't think you could classify this as UT driven, I encourage you to watch all of the videos
- v. Patrick: In order to be informed voters, can we bring in the positive sides of shared services?
- vi. Patel (Taral): That's why we're bringing it up now for the administration to have time to come and speak with us
- vii. Anderson: If you do feel that all you've heard are negatives, all of Haggerty's videos are online
- viii. Cavasos: Has shared services been fully implemented on campus yet, if not how can we attribute this lay off to shared services?
- ix. Patel, T: It was implemented through the pilot programs that are already in place
- x. Anderson: It comes down to a lack of transparency
- xi. Sacks: Do you think the ties between UT and Accenture could make the plan better?
- xii. Anderson: I think that this is a good point, Accenture has their own best interests at heart

1. Student Affairs

- c. AR 10- In Support of University Wide Registration to Major Specific Courses
 - i. Draper: To summarize, there are four days of add-drop at the beginning of the semester where you can add or drop classes without consulting professors, this legislation asks for on the fourth day all students can add major specific classes that have bars on them if students have the proper prerequisites, this would help to increase transfer students and the 4 year graduation rates, this would reinforce UTs interdisciplinary education, this would allow students to create a more full and technical GPA, allowing students to prove themselves more to certain colleges, this would seek to enhance the use of UTs budget, the resolution is in



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favor or seating seats that are vacant, this is only open on the first day, seating seats that aren't being used, questions

- ii. Egeland: How could you foresee this being a feasible option?
- iii. It wouldn't necessarily pertain to students with classes in their major, the students wanting to have access to your classes wouldn't have access until the fourth day of registration
- iv. Egeland: How would someone outside of my major even get classes when I can't get any of my classes in my own major?
- v. A lot of students drop classes, I foresee it, Engineering is a more difficult one, it's a very track oriented major, those classes won't be affected that much by this proposal, I don't see it disadvantaging students that much, just as soon as there are vacancies students can apply
- vi. Patrick: It does require prerequisites still, this also applies to students who want to take students outside of their majors
- vii. Falke: What if a student wanted to take a class that had a waitlist?
- viii. The waitlist closes on the 4th day, the original idea for this was to add a 5th day to registration, if you were to be added to a waitlist there would have to be enough students drop
- ix. Ferguson: How is this going to play into classes that have strict studio requirements?
- x. This legislation would encourage students to go to the first two classes, with studio and rehearsal hours, the student would have to seek of these professors to make sure that they have access to studio times, it would have to be on the student to talk to administrators
- xi. Patel (Taral): I yield my time to Sapan Patel; first year business major
- xii. Patel (Anish): What if as a business major, my major class waitlist was filled with people who are not in my major, how would I get my class?
- xiii. Patrick: We were originally planning on doing a 5th day, but at the end of the day if your waiting until the 4th day that's your own laziness but that would definitely be an outlier
- xiv. The speaker sends this to the academic affairs committee. I would like to recognize, Tom Dyson, Dean Lilly, Marilyn Russell, and the Office of the Dean of Students

XVI. Speaker of the Assembly Report

- a. Email with tips and suggestions for the summer, constant communication, tradition of having bbq dinner at the 1st meeting, what we are doing now will make next semester different,

XVII. Assembly Committee Reports

- a. Academic Affairs Committee
 - i. Facebook me about anything bc I will be out of the country
- b. External Affairs Committee
 - i. Meeting after this meeting



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- c. Financial Affairs Committee
 - i. Need 3 more voting members by the end of the week, just 2 or 3 meetings, continue with boot scholarship, Cowboy is our vice chair, will be here this summer
 - d. Legislative Affairs Committee
 - i. Working on AB 1 this summer, prioritizing invest in Texas
 - e. Rules and Regulations Committee
 - i. Having meeting about legislation over the summer via webcast,
 - f. Student Affairs Committee
 - i. AR 9 will be researched over the summer, have a big meeting at the beginning of next year about it
- XVIII. Representative Reports
- a. Patrick- 2 pieces of legislation to work on over the summer how we can implement it,
 - b. Cavazos- Thank you Phil
 - c. Sachs- Monday and weds send up CNS classes, talking to SG,
- XIX. Announcements
- a. Martinez- this Friday petting zoo studying break, petting animals hosted by SG, tell everyone about it, 12 in the sac lawn,
 - b. Houston- final reviews are open, so check out what we do, making a publication
- XX. Second Roll Call
- XXI. Recess

