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Meeting Minutes for April 17, 2007

I. Call Meeting to Order

- Meeting commenced at 7:02pm
- *Moment of Silence for Virginia Tech*

II. Roll Call #1

III. Approval of Minutes: Minutes approved

IV. Guests

University of Texas Police Department

http://www.utexas.edu/police/safety/safety_protocol.pdf

- Disruptive Individuals:
UTPD is available 24 hours a day and can be reached at 512-471-0471. If you encounter a disruptive individual, respect his or her space, keep an erect stance, and refrain from making sudden movements.
- Armed Subjects:
If you encounter an armed subject, move out of the line of fire. If the subject is in another location, turn off lights and get down. If the armed subject is in the building with you, call UTPD as soon as possible and speak calmly and descriptively.
- If there was a bomb threat on the UT campus such as the one at St. Edwards University, would UTPD follow the same protocol?
The University of Texas is too large to shut down entirely; however UTPD has two canine units that serve as bomb-detecting units.
- Does the University of Texas have a lock-down protocol?
It is my current understanding that there is not a lock-down protocol, but that protocol is in the control of the administration.
- How many officers are currently active on the UTPD force?
The UTPD has approximately 63-67 active officers.
- What is UTPD's jurisdiction around campus?
UTPD, which is mandated by the State, has jurisdiction in almost every Texas county containing UT property.
- When someone calls 911 from a cell phone, where is the call directed?
Cell phone calls go to specific towers and some of these calls are then directed to UTPD, while others are directed to the City.
- Is the University of Texas Police Department any different from any other police department?
From a legal standpoint, UTPD is no different. However, UTPD officers are employed by the University.

Motion to suspend the rules and move AR 1 to the next item on the Agenda

- Motion passes

AR 1: A Tribute to the Victims of the Virginia Tech Tragedy (Fast Track)

- Friendly Amendment to the first Whereas: "claiming the lives of over 30 people"
- Friendly Amendment to the Therefore Be It Resolved: "that five-thousand burnt orange and Chicago maroon ribbons" and "over 30 students"
- Motion to Fast-Track
- Motion Seconded
- Motion to fast track passes
- Motion to approve by acclamation
- Motion seconded
- Motion passes

Vice President of Student Affairs- Juan Gonzalez:

I am pleased by the student body's swift movement to organize the vigil for the Virginia Tech students, invite UTPD to the Assembly meeting, and perform many other acts of kindness. I also would like to recognize the students that exited office this past Sunday and thank Annie, Becky, and Veronica for all of their services within Student Government.

V. Open Forum

Keshav R: Please inform you organizations that we are selling 5000 Virginia Tech Memorial ribbons for \$1 per ribbon and donating the funds to Virginia Tech.

Student Alliance: Queer Texas Conference had over 150 registrants. April 18, 2007 is the National Day of Silence which recognizes the silence that LGBTQ students face on college campuses each day. Solidarity Conference will be held April 21, 12-2 pm. A student Solidarity Statement will be released publicly on the steps of the campus in the fall semester of 2007.

Zack C. Hall:

Shulkin: What is the capitol time line for the top ten percent rule?

Hall: The UT Student Government does not have an official position concerning the top-ten percent rule.

Julio Trujillo: Daily Texas Beat Reporter

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VI. Ex-Officio Reports

Senate of College Councils- Steven Meyers: We are extremely pleased and excited to work with your new executive board and the new assembly. Senate commends Student Government for organizing the candlelight vigil on next Monday. In regards to the Faculty Council, Senate opposes the plus/minus grading system. Faculty Council will probably vote on this issue May 7 if we do not

intervene immediately. We want to affirm that students do not want this policy by getting more student input. Following the faculty council vote, the issue will go to the Provost and then back to the Faculty Council. Find the Link at utsenate.org/link.

VII. Appointments

- Secretary to the Assembly: Chelsea Wade
 - o Chelsea plans to improve the professionalism of Student Government
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o Chelsea Wade is approved
- Executive Director: Jordan Davisson
 - o Jordan plans to hold a monthly agency assembly, create a clear policy for internal affairs, and keep agency head accountable
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o Jordan Davisson is approved
- Internal Finance Director: Frankie Shulkin
 - o Frankie is eager to keep morphing the image of Student Government and its relationship with students
 - o Frankie's position as 2-year At large will open on an application basis
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o Frankie Shulkin is approved
- External Finance Director: Stephen Gilstrap
 - o Stephen plans to improve current fundraising initiatives and broaden the role of Student Government fundraising
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o Stephen Gilstrap is approved
- Communications Director: Vicki Nguyen
 - o Vicki plans to respond to the issue of student apathy by increasing Student Government's visibility
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o Vicki Nguyen is approved

Motion to suspend the rules and move Keshav Rajagopalan's appointment to the next item on the Agenda

- Motion passes

- 2-year At large, Faculty Council: Keshav Rajagopalan
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o Keshav Rajagopalan is approved
- Presidential Student Advisory Council: Tony Williams and Manuel Rosales
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded

- o Tony Williams and Manuel Rosales are approved
- High School Outreach Co-Director: Thomas Trinh
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o Thomas Trinh is approved
- Campus Safety Director: Alex Cook
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o Alex Cook is approved
- Alumni Relations Director: Barrett Evan
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o Barret Evan is approved
- Freshman Leadership Organization Director: Phil Novoa
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o Phil Novoa is approved
- Policy Director: Nathan Bunch
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o Nathan Bunch is approved
- Keep UT Hate Free Co-Directors: Jaime Fink and Grants Rauscher
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o Jaime Fink and Grants Rauscher are approved
- Survey Research Agency Director: Ben Comeskey
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o Ben Comeskey is approved
- Student Forum Agency Director: Arnell Davis
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o Arnell Davis is approved
- Legislative Relations Agency Co-Directors: Zack Hall and Preston Powell
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o Zach Hall and Preston Powell are approved

Motion to allow Brandon Chicotsky 2 minutes of speaking privilege

- Motion passes

- Brandon informs the Assembly about Texas Student Media

- Associate Communications Director: A.J. Mayers
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o A.J. Mayers is approved
- Students with Disabilities Agency Director: Liam O'Rourke
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation

- o Motion seconded
 - o Liam O'Rourke is approved
- Election Supervisory Board Chair: Ryan Norcross
 - o Motion to approve by acclamation
 - o Motion seconded
 - o Ryan Norcross is approved
- Appointees take the oath of office
- Jeffrey Thompson introduces himself as the Geo Sciences representative

VIII. Executive Reports

- President: Andrew C. Solomon-a.solomon@mail.utexas.edu
 - o Andrew is working to set flat-rate tuition at 9 hours. This would not apply to graduate schools.
 - o Student Government will host a candlelight vigil in honor of Virginia Tech Monday night at 9pm at the Main Mall. The tower bell will chime for each victim of the shooting.
- Vice President: Nicole Trinh- netrinh@austin.utexas.edu
 - o Representatives, please fill out a preference sheet to indicate which committees you would like to join.
 - o Orientation will be held this Saturday in the Gregory Gym Games Room 12-4pm
- Executive Director: Jordan Davisson- jordandavisson@mail.utexas.edu
 - o We will enforce attendance policies.
- Communications Director: Vicki Nguyen- vicki.nguyen@bba04.mcombs.utexas.edu
 - o First newsletter will go out this Sunday.
 - o Deadline for submissions: Sunday 12pm
- External Financial Director: Stephen Gilstrap-sgilstrap@mail.utexas.edu
- Internal Financial Director: Frankie Shulkin-fshulk714@aol.com
 - o Frankie would like to meet individually with each member of his committee.
- Secretary to the Assembly: Chelsea Wade- chelsea.wade@bba05.mcombs.utexas.edu

IX. Committee Reports: None

X. Unfinished Business: None

XI. New Business

AR 2: Calling on the Texas Legislature to Increase Funding to Public Universities & Repeal Tuition Deregulation

- o Zack will look into separating this resolution into two resolutions—one for tuition deregulation and one for state funding.

XII. Agency Director Reports

- Liam O'Rourke announces Raisin' It for Texans with Disabilities this Friday evening
- Alex Cook would like input for a forum with the police department

- Yvette Garza announces an effort to reach to Riverside community and a meeting to discuss diversity component of curriculum

XIII. Representative Reports

- Dan Villarreal: Co-curricular transcripts allow you to include your activities in your transcript.

XIV. Announcements

- April 20: Raisin' it for Texans with Disabilities, 7-9pm, RecSports
raisinitfortexas.org
- April 21: BYX Island Party
- April 23: Virginia Tech Candle-Light Vigil
- April 27: Orange and White Ball
- May 4: UT Remembers

XV. Roll Call #2 for Representatives**XVI. Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 10:24pm