



STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSEMBLY
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THE **109TH** SESSION
OF THE
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSEMBLY

STUDENT GOVERNMENT GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

Tuesday, September 8th, 2015

SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY: TANNER LONG, LIBERAL ARTS REPRESENTATIVE

CLERK OF THE ASSEMBLY: KATHERINE STADLER

PARLIAMENTARIAN: MELYSA BARTH

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. First Roll Call
- III. Approval of the Minutes
- IV. Guests
 - a. Mulu Ferede, Executive Director of University Unions
- V. Open Forum
- VI. Appointments
 - a. Assembly Appointments
 - b. Internal Appointments
 - c. External Appointments
- VII. Unfinished Business
 - a. A.B. 4 – The 2015-2016 Student Government Budget *passed by unanimous consent 9/8/15*
 - i. The sums of money specified in the budget spreadsheet are appropriated as indicated for the operation of the Student Government at The University of Texas at Austin for the 2015 and 2016 academic school year.
- VIII. New Business
 - a. J.R. 1 – In Support Of Creating A 30-Day Grace Period For Clearing Financial Bars *Academic Affairs*
 - i. JR 1 is written to address student concern over financial bars inhibiting timely registration. This legislation calls for a 30-day grace period during which students can pay their fees and maintain their listed registration times.
 - b. A.R. 10 – In Support of a University-Wide Effort for Increased School Spirit *Student Affairs*
 - i. UT Student Government supports initiatives to increase school spirit on campus. These can be student lead, or in this first case, an initiative by a Student Government Representative. Enthusiasm and school spirit have been proven to be lower than in past years and ticket sales are also down. UT Athletic Officials have made it clear how hard it is to excite such a large campus. With this

resolution, we are showing that we stand in solidarity with UT Athletics and their efforts to reinvigorate the student body through fresh, innovative ways.

c. A.R. 11 – In Support of Student Government Hosting an Annual Debate between Campus Political Groups

- i. This legislation calls for the creation of an annual debate between campus political groups. This event will be sponsored and moderated by Student Government and The Daily Texan. All of the necessary expenses, which will be few or none, are expected to come from the special projects budget. This year, the debate between College Republicans and University Democrats will be held on the evening of October 12th. *Student Affairs*

d. A.B. 5 – Establishing Outreach Points

- i. AB 5 establishes requirements for representatives in the Assembly outside of the pre-existing committee/Assembly meeting requirements. AB 5 calls for the creation of 2 inreach point requirements per long semester of a representative's term, with inreach points being those outlined activities that promote the work of SG agencies, ad hocs, and external appointments. AB 5 also calls for the re-institution of outreach points (2 per long semester of term) previously present in the 108th Assembly. Those outreach events are defined in the bill as events put on by groups that have received SG funding within that same semester. It should be noted that attendance at one event correlates to one inreach or outreach point respectively. *Send to Rules & Regulations*

IX. Ex-Officio Member Reports

- a. Senate of College Councils
b. Graduate Student Assembly
c. Campus Events and Entertainment

X. Deputy Advisor Report

- a. Alex Kappus, *Deputy to the Dean of Students* – akappus@austin.utexas.edu

XI. Executive Reports

- a. Xavier Rotnofsky, *President* - xavier.rotnofsky@utexas.edu
b. Rohit Mandalapu, *Vice President* - rmandalapu@utexas.edu
c. Taral Patel, *Chief of Staff* - taralvpatel@gmail.com
d. Thomas Mylott, *Communications Director* - mylottiv@gmail.com
e. Nicole Chu, *Internal Finance Director* - nchu@utexas.edu
f. Conner Patrick, *External Finance Director* - conner1201@gmail.com
g. Amber Magee, *Administrative Director* - mageeamber15@gmail.com

XII. Cabinet of Policy Director Reports

XIII. Agency Director Reports

XIV. External Appointment Reports

XV. Executive Staff Reports

XVI. Standing Assembly Committee Reports

- a. Academic Affairs Committee, James Che - jamesikeche@utexas.edu
b. External Affairs Committee, Allison Ainsworth - allisonrainsworth@gmail.com
c. Financial Affairs Committee, John Falke - johnrossfalke@utexas.edu
d. Legislative Affairs Committee, Edward Banner - ebanner@utexas.edu

e. Rules and Regulations Committee, Jonathan Dror - jonathandror@utexas.edu

f. Student Affairs Committee, Santiago Rosales - santiago.rosales@utexas.edu

XVII. Representative Reports

XVIII. Judicial Report

XIX. Ad hoc Reports

XX. Speaker of the Assembly Report

XXI. General Announcements

XXII. Second Roll Call

XXIII. Recess/Adjournment