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Title: Student Government Assembly Minutes

Stage: PASSED - 09/07/2004

Owner: Andrew Lara

I. Call to Order at 7:00 PM

II. Roll Call #1

III. Minutes Approved

IV. Open Forum:

- The Global Teaching Network, Kevin Kalra
 - Building first school in Kenya in the summer
 - Provide several international opportunities such as internships
 - Hosting fundraisers to help pay for the development of schools in Kenya

- Environmental Center, Sarah Boulden and Jim
 - Please encourage your organizations to adopt an acre
 - Earth Summit September 16th, Keynote Speaker Tom Smith

- Art of Living Club
 - Yoga and meditation sessions every Wednesday in the Union
 - Art of Living College Course: ancient breathing techniques and meditation from the 16th to the 21st; check it out on the web: www.studentorgs.utexas.edu/aol

V. Guests: NONE

VI. Executive Reports:

- Senate of College Councils, Nick Staha
 - Had at large applications; 250 applications for around 25 spots
 - Continuing to try to find out a joint committee with SG
 - (entertained questions)
 - Rep Lemon: What do you consider academic in regards to your Appropriations
 - Staha, left to the discretion of the appropriations committee

- GSA Chair, Erik Malmberg
 - First meeting on September 14th
 - Finished membership packets to get people elected
 - Giving out \$3500 to organizations that help pull in graduate students

- President, Brent Chaney
 - Welcomed new faces to the assembly
 - This Thursday, Jordanian student leaders are going to the Tejas Club at 9:00; if interested in seeing what it is like to be a Jordanian student, show up
 - Getting the interns from the capital and having a breakfast; if interested in helping
 - Campus Fusion Meeting this Thursday at 6:30 in the MIC
 - Child Care Center: for faculty, there is a 400 student wait list for faculty; will facilitate 200 students
 - Met with Dr. Heath who is in charge of libraries, expanding library hours and cafes
 - Tuition Advisory Committee recently met; if you have any issues that you would like to be brought up to the committee let Brent know

-Co-Op and Tower Records property: Brent suggested it be used as a grocery store; if you have a different idea let Brent know

-Kevin Haggerty: try to find out where the funding for the vice provost for racial diversity comes from

-Administrators want to push back forum on Los Alamos

-MLK Vigil was awesome

-West Campus Rezoning and parking

- Vice President, Rachel McGinity

-Ebus: a little over 4,000 riders

-Office hours

-SBOR: take petitions to speaker circuits

-Three new work studies in the office; please introduce yourself to them

-Projects that individuals were working on

- Executive Director, Amy Chiou

-T-shirts are in, but are waiting for pens; please pay outstanding fines

-Campus Fusion, September 27-October 2

-Rep/Committee and Agency/Exec List serves

- Internal Financial Director, Jessica Rice

-Please pay for t-shirts and retreat

-Appropriation applications and committee and agency budgets are due this Friday

-If you would like to sit on the appropriations interview see Jessica Rice

-Committees and Agencies, Jessica really needs your budget

- External Financial Director, Dan Paschal

-Fundraising committee, if any of you guys are interested contact Dan

-Crew Cards are going to be delayed approx. a week which is hurricane domain Florida; if you have any ideas for fundraising contact Dan

- Attorney General, Amber Billingsley

-Tany's B-day!

-Assembly rules committee, five voting members and exec go over the internal rules and policies to make things better; perhaps use the committee to help with ESB rules as well

- (Entertained nominations)

-Omar Ochoa, Chris Kennedy, Grant Stanis, Elizabeth Brummett, Henna Tayyeb (accepted nominations)

-If you haven't signed up for speaker circuits, you need to sign up by tonight

- Secretary to the Assembly, Andrew Lara

-Longhorn Legislative Applications are out please spread the word and forward email with link to application to list serves

VII. Representative Privilege

- Rep Palmieri,

-Research info. Before jumping to conclusions

- Orange Bike, Rep. Matt Ross

-having mtgs. with people who want to be involved

-If you guys are interested let Rep Ross know

- Rep Tayyeb,

-if your organization wants to have a table at Campus Fusion, contact Rep Tayyeb

- Rep Karchmer, Social Work

-Social Work kick off BBQ; \$5 a plate

- Rep Gladney-Lemon

-discrimination policies

-Discrimination towards overweight individuals hosted by Gladney-Lemon; Wed at 12 and Thurs at 2

- Body image task force, serve different responsibilities at different schools; if interested in being a part of a committee that discusses these issues contact Rep Gladney Lemon
 - Rep Stanis
- Basketball ticketing systems, trying to find one that works well for UT; if interested in working on this issue contact Stanis
 - Rep. Windle
- Online directory privacy, in a week or two, ITS will be needing people to try out the new system please participate. Contact Windle, Hart or Kennedy with concerns
 - Rep. Brummett
- Meeting after SG meeting to discuss West Campus Recycling
- Tax Free Textbooks
 - Rep. Karchmer
- Tomorrow people are testifying to the higher education committee for or against text books that teach sexual education and abstinence; Starts at 8:15 am at Capital; contact Rep karchmer

VIII. Committee and Agencies

- Student Services Committee, Mondays 7-9 in G1.406
- FLO, First FLO meeting last Thursday; There is a great initial interest in SG prior to going to FLO; Please come to meetings in Glen Maloney at 6:00 on Thursdays; Mentor applications are due on September 24th
- MCC-Meet SG Night on September 15th at Cold Stone. Meet in the office at 7:00 and then move to Cold Stone at 7:30; please help put up fliers
- Welcome Rea Wang from UTSA
- Shuttle Bus Transportation Agency
- First Meeting on September 17th
- Hoping to get the word out to use mainstream buses that run on Saturdays
- International Student Affairs
- Meeting on Wed Sept 15th on the 3rd Floor at 8:00 PM every other Wednesday
- Interested in initiating an international Olympics
- There are great
- Legislative Relations Agency
- SBOR petitions going around; contact Favad for meeting times and LRA applications

IX. Appointments: NONE

X. New Business

- AB7: Increased Appropriations
- Jessica Rice (author): had such a large show up at info sessions
- AB7 will serve to supplement the original amount designated to appropriate funds
- Ochoa: at the end of each "41 account" add "to the 29 account"
- Rice: (Agreed)
- Rios: where does the fundraising money usually go to?
- Paschal: areas where we can't use student fees
- Rios: move to approve by acclamation
- seconded and objected
- Windle: will \$4,000 more really be enough?
- Rice: there will be approx 140 orgs applying
- borrow the language and amount from Karen's Legislation (Internal Financial Director from last year); 4,000 in addition the 14,500 approved from last weeks bill
- MacLeod: can we go back and approve more?
- Rice: yes
- Stanis: what would that do to the 41 account?
- Rice: We have about \$50,000 in our fundraising account; the bill shows the funds per semester
- Stohandske: Why is there an inequity with committees and student organizations
- Rice: we have a strong commitment to supporting student events and organizations; hence, we create bills such as AB7 that ask for more funding to appropriate to more groups and applicants

Livingston: can you inform the assembly how much money was asked and much SG allotted

Rice: that is what the committee and the internal financial director does to assess how much should be appropriated; sometimes student orgs ask for more money than they need so that they come closer to their goal

Chaney: if you are interested in how money is appropriated sit on the appropriations committee and contact Jessica Rice

Livingston: move to approve by acclimation

Seconded and objected, motion fails

Tayyeb: if our personal organizations are asking for money do you think we should sit on the committee

Rice: decisions will be made by a committee as a whole not just one person; keeping an objective perspective is pertinent

Lemon: move to approve by acclimation

Seconded, objected, motion fails

Ochoa: move to amend the bill and add "per semester"

Rice: (Jessica accepts amendment)

Ochoa: move to approve by acclimation

Seconded and approved, motion passes

XI. Announcements

-SBOR petitions

-Matt Ross has a page and half of names who are interested in helping with -The Orange Bike Project

-Natural Sciences Week is next week

-Monday having fajitas at 5-7 along with volleyball, prizes, and an organization fair at the Anna Hiss Courtyard

-Tuesday Road to research lecture from 3-5pm

-Wed Star Party at 7pm on RLM 4th floor and at 8pm on RLM rooftop

-Thursday at 5 in Welch speaker about what to do after college, Jason's Deli

-Friday Tech Trek: lecture on nanotechnology at 12pm

-Party on the Plaza tomorrow. 208 organizations have signed up

-Orange and White Welcome on the 14th from 4-6 at the Alumni Center

-Voices Against Violence, Tuesday from 1-3 (Matt and Clayton)

-Stolhandske: interested in co-sponsoring a piece of legislation to increase appropriations contact Matt Stolhandske

-Krunky Oke: Rap Karoke on 3rd and Boeing every Wednesday

XII. Roll Call # 2

XIII. Adjournment

Footnotes

Here is attendance and roll call votes for September 7, 2004

http://www.utexas.edu/studentgov/sg/archives/files.php?files_id=60

Comments

None

Authors

None
