Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2014

• Call to Order
  o Meeting called to order at 6:26PM

• Approval of Minutes
  o Roll Call
    - Quorum is met
    - Motion to accept the minutes from 11/11/2014 by Director Carson, Seconded by Senator Mbaba
      • Motion passes, minutes approved
    - Chief Hough motioned to skip meet and greet this week, seconded by Chief Bolden

• Officers Reports
  o Chief of Staff Ferguson
    • Please be mindful of your surrounds and clean up after yourself in the SGA office.
    • There will not be any more office hours from here on out until next semester
  o Treasurer Iredia
    • Went over the budget and how much we have left.
      • $6000 allocated for Bearkat All Paws In
      • $2000 allocated to the Orange Tie Affair
      • We have a total of $56000 left in the accounts
  o Secretary Moore
    • No Report
  o Vice President Hunter
    • No Report
  o President Copeland
    • Once again, Yik Yak is not an appropriate place for discussing Student Government business. If you are using it to talk about SGA, please stop.
    • Sean Reed was nominated to the Campus Life Development Fund Advisory Board
      • All in favor, Sean Reed voted onto the Campus Life Development Fund Advisory Board.
    • Melinda Perez was nominated to be the new SGA Council Director.
      • All in favor, Melinda Perez voted in as SGA Council Director

• Standing Committee Reports
  o External Affairs - Tyler Livezey
- Spencer gave a report in Chief Livezey’s absence.
- The Thanksgiving luncheon was very successful.
- We are discussing having a meeting with both the students as well as the City.
  - Internal Affairs – Brooke Hunter
    - There will be a new subcommittee called the
  - Student Affairs - Matthew Maddox
    - Wanting to host a Bearkat Block Party next semester
    - March 3rd there will be an event with Program Council
    - We will be helping PIKE with their diabetes awareness event
    - We will not be able to table on the yard this week due to the art department having a display on the yard
    - We will be conducting a survey for bike racks tomorrow from 9:00AM till 2:00PM
  - University Affairs - Jacqueline Bolden
    - There will be a meeting this Thursday, and the Thursday after Thanksgiving will be the last meeting of the semester.
  - Public Relations – Tempest Brooks
    - The last meeting of the semester will be tomorrow, Wednesday the 12th.
  - Rules and Regulations - Daniel Hough
    - We are working on improving legislation that has to do with the Council. Next semester we plan on finishing all legislation that relates to the SGA Council
    - The last Rules and Regulations meeting will be December the first.
  - All Paws In – Drew Carson
    - The meetings have been very productive thus far. There are forms on the Google drive.
    - We are thinking about opening it up to people's homes.
    - We are wanting to get out into the community
    - We have been contacting churches as well.
  - SGA Council – Melinda Perez

- **Caucus Reports**
  - College of Sciences – Melinda Perez
    - No Report
  - College of Humanities and Social Sciences – Tyler Livezey
    - No Report (Absent)
  - College of Fine Arts and Mass Communication – Lesly Garcia
    - No Report
  - College of Education – Magan Dewalt
    - No Report
  - College of Criminal Justice – Troy Ross
    - Met with Anne Broussard about possibly tabling and having a Criminal Justice town hall in the future.
  - College of Health Science – Lance Blade
    - Chief Blade yielded the floor to Senator Abney

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• Working on scheduling a meeting with the Dean to discuss the possible future between the College of Health Science and SGA.
  o College of Business and Administration – Gregory Curatola
    ▪ Tried tabling in the college but it was not very successful because of people trying to get to class.
    ▪ President Copeland suggested reaching out to organizations within the college as a way of reaching the students.

• **Old Business**
  o Chief of Staff Ferguson went over the second part of the ASGA conference.
    ▪ We received a very good rating compared to the other schools.
      ▪ Some things we can do to better improve our SGA is get students to vote, survey them to see what they thin, and Talk with them to find out their concerns.
      ▪ We need to network with our peers, and develop a transitions manual to pass on. We will have to sacrifice sometimes, but it will be worth it.
      ▪ Listing to our advisors is key, and we must remain professional and responsible at all times. Focus on a winnable issue, and pick your battles wisely.
      ▪ Some ways to have a higher voter turnout are: Target a specific group, increase candidates, giveaways, discounts, and proper advertisements.
  o Pot Luck will be Friday, December 5th at 6:00PM at the BKV clubhouse
    ▪ A sign-up sheet will be going around for what to bring.
  o Final quote for the SGA t-shirts will be $15.00 or less
  o Speaker from PIKE moved up due to time
    ▪ PIKE is very excited to work with SGA for their diabetes awareness program.
    ▪ They will be passing out ribbons and water bottles on the yard from 10:00AM till 2:00PM
    ▪ Accepting donations
    ▪ Senator Robles motioned to allocate no more than $200 from the Senate Discretionary fund, seconded by Vice President Hunter.
      ▪ All in favor, motion passes

• **New Business**
  o RHA Block party on January 17th
    ▪ Reserved a spot by White Hall, Spot number 23
    ▪ Will cost $30
    ▪ RHA wanted to know what game and what food will be provided, if any.
      ▪ Chief Livezey motioned to not provide food, floor was open for debate, Chief of Staff Ferguson motion to previous question, Food will not be provided
        ▪ All in favor, motion passes
  o F14-13
Council member McFarland cannot be a sponsor on this bill due to him being a counselor.

Amended section L from “12 SHSU” to “12 SHSU Hours”

Perez amended the spelling of her name

Floor was opened up for debate about the office hours being removed and counselors not being able to vote in Senate meetings.

Senator Dones brought attention to section A not being clear on what hours needed to be met

- If the required hours are not met then the individual will stay in the council.

Chief of Staff Ferguson motioned to continue the debate in the SGA office, Vice President Hunter seconded

- All in favor, motion passes

Reconvene in SGA office at 7:52PM

Floor open for discussion

Chief Bolden motioned to table the bill till next semester, seconded by Senator Ross

- Motion does not pass, table failed

Voted on Bill F14-13

- Bill F14-13 failed, does not pass

Tree of light will be Tuesday, December 2nd, at 6:00PM

Chief of Staff Ferguson nominated Council member Figliola to design the SGA ornament

Council Member Figliola accepts

Chief Livezey motioned to allocate no more than $50 towards the ornament, Seconded by Director Perez

- All in favor, motion passes

Tailgating this week

- Treasurer Iredia motioned to allocate no more than $250 towards the tailgate, seconded by Senator Mbaba

- All in favor, motion passes

Director Carson will need help with the tailgate

- Open Forum

  - NONE

- Adjourn

  - Director Carson motioned to adjourn, seconded by Vice President Hunter
    - The motion to adjourn is approved

  - The meeting is adjourned at 8:31PM