



Student Government Association

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February 22, 2022

A. Call to Order

6:01 pm

B. Pledge of Allegiance

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

C. Guest Speaker - Jaylon Berry; The Office of Diversity and Inclusion

-The Office of Diversity and Inclusion encompasses Title XI, workshops, and

-The purpose of IDEA is to enrich and broaden knowledge about multiculturalism, diversity, and institutional culture on campus.

-They would love to hear some of our ideas of programs or events that can be implemented to further the program's outreach.

-How would an event pull the most students? What would make you, an SHSU student, come to a workshop?

-Questions, Comments, Concerns

-jalonberry@shsu.edu

D. Roll Call

Present: 39

Absent: 10

Quorum: Yes

E. Icebreakers

Humanities and Social Sciences Chair, Veronica Calderon

The Official Voice of the Student Body

Officer Reports

A. Chief of Staff Polk

-Office Hours

-Office hours are due every Tuesday at 5:00 pm.

-If it becomes a bigger issue, Emails will be sent out.

-Not likely at the moment, but keep up the good work.

-Aunt Flow

-Manuel

-To inform future SGA members on how the Aunt Flow initiative is run.

-Will be presented on March 1st.

-Committee

-Committee will be formed to overlook the Aunt Flow operations on campus and ensure it stays active and grows.

-Surveying the student body and ensuring the supplies are available.

-Applications will be made and sent out for those who are interested.

B. Treasurer Owens

-Purchase Requests

-Due this Thursday by 5:00 pm

-Office Snacks

-Snacks will be bought and restocked in the office on Wednesday

C. Secretary Coyne

-Attendance

-In order to accurately know who is in danger of non-compliance, attendance and office hours will be looked at closely.

-For attendance, each department meeting will be taking attendance using a department-specific attendance system

-This can be found in Black Board under the "Departments" Tab

-Thank you for continuing to fill out the forms.

-Engagement Points

- Please remember to not only connect with SHSU events, but take a picture, and email it to me.
- I have yet to have one senator to send me an email
- Required Events, like Black Wall Street and Soul Train, do not count toward Engagement points
 - The whole point of Engagement points, as the voice of the student body, is to support the student body. The added bonus is photos that can be showcased during Orange Tie

-Polos

- To get your polo, you need to go to two required events.
- We are running low on polos (yay!) so when you earn your polo, we need to ensure we actually have your size
- If you do not have a polo, come talk to me after the meeting so I can take note

D. Vice President Srikanth

-Department Meetings

- Will be reaching out to Directors and Caucus Chairs and will be meeting with them the first week of March

-Orange Tie

- Arrangements and planning have started.
- Any ideas or suggestions can be sent to Vice-President Srikanth.
- Awards
 - Suggestions for Superlatives are also needed.

E. President Bonds

-SAB Report

-Topics

- Minimum Wage
- Student Activities
- Campus Securities
 - See Attached TSUS Minutes

-Election Updates

- All online, not on physical paper
- Filing times
 - Open for a month.
 - Starts 9am Monday, February 28th
 - Ends Monday, March 21st - 5pm

- Candidate meeting
 - March 23rd and 24th
 - In-Person at 6:00 pm in the SGA Office
- Election Period
 - Opens April 11th at 9:00 am
 - Closes April 14th at 5:00 pm
 - Results April 15th at 12:00 pm

Director Reports

A. External Affairs

Director Jones

Meeting Time - 12:00pm on Wednesdays in the SGA Office

- Meet the City Officials
 - Orange Ballroom booked for that day
 - Seeking a new location or day
 - Seeking Photos for breaks in conversation
 - Email to PR Directors
 - [-fna002@shsu.edu](mailto:fna002@shsu.edu)
 - [-jrm157@shsu.edu](mailto:jrm157@shsu.edu)
 - Still Solidifying Members for event
- Huntsville Happenings
 - Empty Bowls Event
 - Held at the Arts and Visitors Center
 - March 8th
 - Volunteers needed
 - Library Events
 - Help reshelve books and work events
 - Work with adults and kids
 - Will help with professional development
 - Willingness to commit to 6-weeks of work
 - Will conduct criminal background check
 - Contact Brenda Collins for more information
 - Texas Independence Day/ Sam Houston's Birthday
 - March 2nd
 - Volunteers needed
 - Starting at 9:00 am
 - SHSU affiliated.
 - Also "March to the Grave" event.

- 3rd Annual Run with Sam 5K
- March 5th.
- All day until 4:00 pm.

B. University Affairs

Co-Director Ramp and Co-Director Wright

Meeting Time - 5:30pm on Thursdays via ZOOM

- Barkat All Paws In (BAPI) **(Required Event)**
- A SHSU day of service for the Huntsville/Walker County area.
- April 9th at 7:00 am or earlier.
- Required Event for all SGA members.
- Updates
 - Sites will be assigned at the end of March.
 - Still some sites that need to be contacted.

C. Student Affairs

Director Essel

Meeting Time - Subject to Change

- BMH
 - Thank you for supporting and coming out to the Black History Month Events.
 - Exceeded expectations!
- Department Leadership
 - Looking for a Co-Director
 - Finalized on a decision by next meeting
- Meetings
 - Next week's department meeting is canceled until a co-director is named.
 - Still deciding on time and zoom/in-person meetings

D. Public Relations

Co-Director Martinez and Co-Director Adjei-Sarpong

Meeting Time - 5:00pm on Tuesdays in the SGA Office

-BHM

-Thank you for supporting and coming out to the Black History Month Events.

-Exceeded expectations!

-Tabling

-The March tabling date is March 22nd

-If your department would like to table with PR, let the directors know

-Event Posting

-Posting for BAPI will start the first week of March

-Flyer Requests

-Requests for March are due February 28th at 5:00 pm

-Requests for April are due March 8th at 5:00 pm

E. Rules and Regulations

Director Preuss and Attorney General Murley

Meeting Time - 6:00pm on Mondays via ZOOM

-Project Rainy Day

-Continuing Research for the initiative

-Anti-Intimidation Act

-Hopefully will lead to a SGA Code of Ethics

-Bill to be read and voted on within New Business

F. Director of Council

Director Ventura

-Directors, please keep up with attendance not only with the form, but on the new senators Google Sheet

-If you are new, see Director Martinez and Secretary Coyne after the meeting

Chair Reports

A. Graduate

Vacant

B. Sciences, Engineering and Technology

Chair Ejikeme

No Report

C. Humanities and Social Sciences

Chair Calderon

No Report

D. Arts and Media

Chair Brasher

-Concerts and Performances

-Wind Ensemble Concert

-February 22nd at 7:30 pm

-Choral Home Concert

-Friday, February 25th at 7:30 pm

-Spring Piano Festival

-February 28th

-Detroit 87

-Thursday, March 3rd and Friday, March 4th at 7:30 pm

-Saturday, March 5th at 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm

E. Education

Chair Duran

-Joan Prouty Conference on Literacy

-February 26th from 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

-Learning new teaching techniques to integrate multicultural literacy in the classroom

-Keynote speaker

-Gholdy Muhammad, Author of Cultivating Genius

F. Criminal Justice

Chair Greenwald

- Paint, Sip, and Slam: BHM Edition
 - This Wednesday from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
 - First Floor of the Library
 - Free food to the first 100 attendees
- Career Counselor Resume Review
 - Monday February 28th in the CJ lobby from 11am-1:00pm
- CJ Career Fair
 - Next Wednesday in the Orange Ballroom from 9:00am-2:00pm
- Meeting with Dean
 - Met with Senior Associate Dean Dr. Danielle Boisvert since Dean Lyons had something come up.
 - Spoke up about how to get CJ students more involved on campus. She wants me to set up a meeting with the Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Nu'Nicka Epps and Victor Hensen to do so.
 - They are looking into making an Instagram and TikTok for the CJ College.

G. Health Sciences

Vacant

H. Business Administration

Chair Scott

- Meeting with Dean
 - Idea to speak to all Deans and SGA at once
 - Caucus Chairs to seek April availability with respective deans
- Tax Event
 - COBA is offering to get taxes done for free with the Bearkat Volunteer Income Tax Assistant Program.
 - February 3rd - April 14th

General Information

A. Old Business

- SGA Soul Train
 - Great Job
 - Super Fun!
 - Tripod for filming
 - Inact Plans of Action for big events
 - Need to ensure all students stay the entire time to gain credit

B. New Business

- Anti-Intimidation Act
 - Voting
 - Yay: 39
 - Nay: 0
- New Senator Vote-Ins
 - A.E. Fonsworth
 - Yay: 39
 - Nay: 0
- Chair Vote-Ins
 - Graduate
 - A.E. Fonsworth
 - Yay: 39
 - Nay: 0
 - Health Science
 - Vacant

C. Open Forum

- Barnes and Noble Bearkat Bundle Contract
 - Copies given to Senators
 - Full Contract in Print in the SGA Office, as well as Blackboard
 - Rules and Regulations will be looking over contract
 - Will be brought up to Dr. White

D. Announcements

- Join Remind!
 - Text @shsusga21 to (951) 543-4330

-BlackBoard

-Please make sure you are on the BlackBoard. If you are not, let an E-Board Member know

E. Motion to Adjourn Meeting

7:29 pm