



## Student Government Association

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## February 1, 2022

### ***A. Call to Order***

6:03 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. Roll Call***

Present: 30

Absent: 7

Quorum: Yes

## Officer Reports

### ***A. Chief of Staff Polk***

-Office Hours

-Office Hours are due by 5:00 pm on Tuesdays. Reminders are sent on Remind on Monday and Tuesday. Please be sure to have those office hours in on time.

-Questions about office hours can be directed to the "Office Hours FAQ" sheet found on Blackboard, or to Chief of Staff Polk.

### ***B. Treasurer Owens***

-Purchase Requests

-Purchase requests for the month of February are due by this Thursday, February 10th by 5:00 pm. Purchase requests for the month of March are due by this Thursday, February 24th by 5:00 pm.

The Official Voice of the Student Body

- There is a FAQ on the expenditure file within Blackboard. Please check the file before emailing questions you have.
- Our new SGA Tent has finally been shipped! It should be here by the end of the day tomorrow.

### ***C. Secretary Coyne***

- Emails
  - New Style of Email to keep everyone in the loop
  - If a different SHSU Org has something going on, email [kmc170@shsu.edu](mailto:kmc170@shsu.edu) before Monday at 5 pm to have it put in the weekly email.
- SGA Engagement Points
  - Engagement Points can be earned by going to events outside of SGA and supporting other SHSU orgs
  - To get points you must send a Selfie or Photo at the actual event with you in the photo to [kmc170@shsu.edu](mailto:kmc170@shsu.edu)
- New Visitors
  - If your first meeting was Jan 18<sup>th</sup> (our last meeting) send an email with- Your Name, Major/Minor, and SHSU Email.
- Blackboard
  - All the meetings should be updated (except meeting 9)
  - Future meeting minutes and any attachments will be send via email as well as posted to blackboard
  - Will be available as soon as 9pm Tuesday.

### ***D. Vice President Srikanth***

- SGA Week
  - The energy and participation was amazing!
  - May lead to another potential SGA Week.
- SGA Spotlight
  - Starting up again soon for the month of February.
  - Going to different events and gaining those engagement points will make you stand out when selecting who to spotlight.
  - Prize of a \$25 gift card.
- February Calendar Overview
  - The calendar is done for the month of February.
  - Will be sent over to PR after the conclusion of tonight's senate meeting.
- Departments
  - Make your Department GroupMe by Friday at 5:00 pm.
  - Ensure your E-Board Member is added to GroupMe.

## ***E. President Bonds***

- Guest Speakers
  - Guest Speaker February 8th - Damon Hay, SHSU Faculty Senate and Dr. Maria Botero, Senate Chair-Elect
    - “To establish a line of communication between the Faculty Senate and the Student Government Association.”
    - University’s response to COVID-19.
    - Berkat Bundle, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
    - Academic honesty, etc., as well as hearing other concerns that students might have.
  - Guest Speaker February 15th - General Glazer and Dr. McCartney
    - Proposed mission, values, and strategic priorities.
- Icebreakers
  - No icebreaker this week due to zoom format.
  - Icebreakers will be led by the directors and caucus chairs who signed up.
  - With guest speakers, the guest always will speak first, then business as usual will follow.
- Chief Diversity Officer Open Forum
  - President Bonds is on the committee and helped select candidates.
  - This is an open forum for SHSU students to ask questions to the candidates, and for the hiring board to see how students interact with said candidate.
  - Next open forum is on Monday, February 7th at 2:00 pm in LSC 320

## **Director Reports**

### ***A. External Affairs***

#### ***Director Jones***

- Meeting Time - 12:00pm on Wednesdays in the SGA Office
- Director Jones’ report was given by Lance Laposki.
  - Due to the SGA events in the month of February, the new date for the “Meet Your Local Officials” event will be March 3rd, 2022.
  - External Affairs will be contacting Local Officials to confirm the new March 3rd event date.

## ***B. University Affairs***

### ***Director Ramp***

Meeting Time - 5:30pm on Thursdays via ZOOM

-Thank you to everyone who helped, worked on, and came out to the University Affairs SGA Week event.

-Barkat, All Paws In (BAPI)

-BAPI will be taking place April 9th, 2022.

-The start time will most likely be 7:00 am, but may be earlier due to check-in for BAPI starting at 7:15 am for non-SGA volunteers.

-Senators will need to be at their assigned volunteer site by 8:00 am to meet with contact personnel.

-Volunteer form has been set up. All senators must fill out this form for T-Shirt sizing, among other items. The link to the form will be sent to the Secretary and will be sent out to all senators. This form will close on March 28th.

-Please spread the word about BAPI! The more people involved, the better.

-This is a required event for all SGA Members.

-Senators will know their assigned volunteer site by the end of March.

## ***C. Student Affairs***

### ***Director Essel***

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

-This year's "Black History Month" event will be taking place February 17th 6:00-9:00 pm in the LSC Orange Ballroom. The theme is Soul Train and themed outfits are highly encouraged.

-Flyers for the event will be posted by the end of the week. Everyone needs to be interacting with the posts about the program.

-This program is a mandatory event for all SGA members.

-Student Affairs Meetings will move back to a ZOOM format following the end of the SGA Black History Month program.

## ***D. Public Relations***

### ***Co-Director Martinez and Co-Director Adjei-Sarpong***

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

#### **-“Black Wall Street” Event**

-Help is needed the morning of the “Black Wall Street” Event on February 15th starting at 9:45 am. Vendors will start setting up at 10:00 am so the event can start on time at 11:00 am in the Orange Ballroom. Aid is needed to pass out food boxes, direct vendors to their locations, among other tasks.

-This is a mandatory event for all SGA Members. If you are unable to attend due to class or other scheduling conflicts, email Director Adjei-Sarpong at [fna002@shsu.edu](mailto:fna002@shsu.edu) by February 11th at 5:00 pm.

-The event is from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm in the Orange Ballroom on Tuesday, February 15th.

-Everyone needs to be interacting with the SGA posts about the event.

-Dress Code for the event is an SGA polo, or Business Casual attire.

#### **-Social Media Updates**

-Weekly Posting on SGA social media will be starting again this week. It is expected for you to interact with every post and share as much as you can.

-SGA will be gaining a Tik Tok page soon to expand our range of viewers more.

## ***E. Rules and Regulations***

### ***Director Preuss and Attorney General Murley***

Meeting Time - 6:00pm on Mondays via ZOOM

-Rules and Regulations is working on drafting legislation for different SGA members

-If you are wanting Rules and Regulations to aid you in drafting legislation, send an email to Director Preuss at [lp038@shsu.edu](mailto:lp038@shsu.edu) or Attorney General Murley at [mbm064@shsu.edu](mailto:mbm064@shsu.edu).

-If you want to be a member of Rules and Regulations, send an email of interest to Director Preuss at [lp038@shsu.edu](mailto:lp038@shsu.edu) to get information on the ZOOM meetings.

## ***F. Director of Council***

### ***Director Ventura***

- Director Ventura's report was given by Director Martinez
- Director of Council Committee
  - The committee will be dissolved effective immediately due to Executive board changes.
  - If you are still interested in learning and running for the role of Director of Council, contact Director Ventura at [acev@shsu.edu](mailto:acev@shsu.edu).
- Eligible Vote-Ins
  - Ghaith Al Sammarraie
  - Jilian Garza
  - Jourdan Golding
  - Kiara Green
  - Gabriel Hapenciuc [COM]
  - Hye Yoon Jeong [COM]
  - Lance Laposki
  - Gunner Law
  - Lizbeth Okumura

## **Chair Reports**

### ***A. Graduate***

***Vacant***

### ***B. Sciences, Engineering and Technology***

***Chair Ejikeme***

- Contacted the Dean of the College of Sciences, Engineering and Technology and is waiting for a reply to set up a meeting later this month.

### ***C. Humanities and Social Sciences***

***Chair Calderon***

No Report.

## ***D. Arts and Media***

***Vacant***

## ***E. Education***

***Chair Duran***

- The Texas Association for Future Educators (TAFE) will be hosting a 5K Color Run on April 30th. More information will be given closer to the event date.
- On February 11th, there will be a Diversity Summit in the LSC Orange Ballroom. This event is sponsored by the College of Education, the College of Criminal Justice, and the College of Health Sciences. You will have to register to attend the event.

## ***F. Criminal Justice***

***Chair Greenwald***

- There is an Internship 101 for Criminal Justice majors on February 2nd from 2:00 - 3:00pm in the Criminal Justice Courtroom.
- On February 11th, there will be a Diversity Summit in the LSC Orange Ballroom. This event is sponsored by the College of Education, the College of Criminal Justice, and the College of Health Sciences. You will have to register and find more information by visiting [shsu.edu/cjdiversity](http://shsu.edu/cjdiversity).
- The Director of Classification and Records, Timothy Fitzpatrick, will be speaking on Wednesday, February 16th at 2:00 - 3:00pm in the Criminal Justice Courtroom.

## ***G. Health Sciences***

***Vacant***

## ***H. Business Administration***

***Chair Scott***

- Met with Dean Newsom last week to discuss the search for his replacement, due to Dean Newsom retiring at the end of the semester. They have come down to the finalists and hope to announce them in mid-March.
- The first College of Business mixer will be taking place February 15th in LSC 320
- The College of Business Career Fair will also be on February 15th in the LSC Orange Ballroom
- If you are majoring or minoring in the College of Business, contact

Chair Scott at [jbs082@shsu.edu](mailto:jbs082@shsu.edu) so he can begin to contact you about further happenings in the College of Business.

## **General Information**

### ***A. Old Business***

- SGA Week
  - Director Essel won a cash prize for going to all the SGA Week events.
  - Make sure you are posting and reposting SGA events.
  - Thank you for all the hard work and support, especially with the “Sam Houston’s Got Talent” event.
  - Great Job to everyone, especially External Affairs for not letting the power outage cancelation ruin the remainder of the week, and swiftly finding a new date for the event!
- IClicker
  - Due to the issues with the app, we will no longer be using IClicker for attendance.
  - At SGA Events, find Secretary Coyne for attendance, or another E-Board member

### ***B. New Business***

- Senator Vote-Ins
  - Ghaith Al Sammarraie
    - Absent
  - Jilian Garza
    - Absent
  - Jourdan Golding
    - Voted In!
  - Kiara Green
    - Voted In!
  - Gabriel Hapenciuc [COM]
    - Voted In!
  - Hye Yoon Jeong [COM]
    - Voted In!
  - Lance Laposki
    - Voted In!
  - Gunner Law
    - Voted In!
  - Lizbeth Okumura
    - Absent



- Caucus Chair Vote-Ins
  - Senator Fredrick and Senator Brasher for Arts and Media Chair
  - Tabled until Senator Brasher is present for voting

### ***Stated Intent***

- George Ranger - [gvr002@shsu.edu](mailto:gvr002@shsu.edu) - Criminal Justice
- Martina Castro - [mac225@shsu.edu](mailto:mac225@shsu.edu) - Accounting

### ***C. Open Forum***

None to Note

### ***D. Announcements***

- Join Remind!
  - Text @shsusga21 to (951) 543-4330
- The 2022 Miss Sam Houston Pageant is in the LSC Orange Ballroom on Thursday, February 3rd, 2022 at 6:00 pm! Come out and support Madison "Ace" Ventura as she gives the crown to the next Miss Sam Houston and support our very own Veronica Calderon as she competes for the title! Admission is FREE with your Bearkat OneCard! If you go, take a selfie at the event and email it to Secretary Coyne to earn some SGA engagement points! Your face must be in the photo to earn points.
- The Center for Diversity is hosting their annual "Diversity Leadership Conference" and registration is open now and is free for all SHSU students!

### ***E. Motion to Adjourn Meeting***

7:02 pm