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Senate Meeting #5 – October 1st, 2024

A. Call to Order - 6:00pm

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. Texas Pledge

"Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."

D. Roll Call

Senators: 30, Executive Board Members: 5

Total: 46

E. Certify Meeting Minutes 09/25/2024

- Entertained by President Scott
 - o Moved by Director Toscano

- Seconded by COHS Ulloa
 - Unanimous Pass

F. Ice Breaker

- If you could represent a color, which color would it be?
 - We did 5 minutes of social time instead. *

Officer Reports

A. Chief of Staff Macias

- Office Hours: TUES/THURS 1-2PM
- Make sure you complete your office hours!!!!!!
- Please be mindful of my desk, it's not a place you can eat and leave a mess....please be respectful!!
- Looking forward to the events we have this month!
- If you guys need ANYTHING, please don't hesitate to contact me.

B. Treasurer Hernandez

- OFFICE HOURS:
 - Wednesdays 1-3pm
 - Thursday 9-11am
- Purchase request and Room Reservations must be made 4-5 weeks in advance
- When submitting a purchase request, do not attach links in the description section, it is meant for the description of the items!
 - Attach links in the Email or separate doc
- Examples of a purchase request, email, and room reservation can be found on blackboard under the expenditure tab
- Purchase request and room reservations should be two separate emails and be sure to include the words **“purchase request” or “room reservation”** in the subject
- Meeting with Brandon and Teresa at 1pm on Wednesdays
- Email: llh033@shsu.edu
- BUDGET AS OF OCTOBER 1st
 - Internal affairs: \$350
 - Student affairs: \$2,457.75
 - Community affairs: \$2,855.40
 - Public Relations: \$2,862.61
 - Rules and regulations: \$260.00
 - Admin. Discretionary: \$3,341.46
 - Special Events: \$3,836

- Miscellaneous: \$1,835.56

C. Secretary Salmeron

- SGA Website is being revamped
 - SGA Senator Application has been updated
- CJ College is full – if you would like to represent your minor, please let me or the executive board know.
 - We currently have 7 CJ council members who are actively trying to be senators for the college!!
- Inventory will be updated this weekend
- If you will not be making it to mandatory events, or senate meetings please send me an email with a valid excuse.
 - If you will not be making it to Latin Night (mandatory) you have until tonight 11:59pm to send me an email.
- Thank you to everyone who participated in Media Day last week.
- Thank you, directors, for sending your department meeting minutes at a reasonable time.
- My office hours are every Monday from 9am-10am and every Tuesday from 1pm-3pm.

D. Vice President Rojas-Caballero

- Office Hours:
 - Wednesday 2:30pm-4:30pm
 - Thursday 1:00pm-3:00pm
- Internals meets bi-weekly on Mondays via zoom at 7:00pm.
- Latin Night- Mark your calendars!
 - THIS THURSDAY!!! Oct 3rd at 8pm
 - Tabling's
 - Giveaways
 - Showcase
 - Email with details, schedule, and shifts went out yesterday!
 - Orgs have been sent reminders about event as well
- When e-mailing me please utilize my official SGA E-mail at studentbody_VP@shsu.edu

E. President Scott

- Weekly 1:1 meetings with Dean Smith and Brandon on Mondays at 9am in LSC 210
- E-Board meetings Mondays at 5 PM
- President White Reception 10/7 @ 5PM Smith-Lennon House (Business Professional) NEXT WEEK
- Met with Dr. White, Thursday, and Dr. Moore Friday.
- When e-mailing me please utilize my official SGA E-mail at studentbody_prez@shsu.edu
- CJ CAUCUS IS NOW FULL! CJ Senators please consider representing your minor, next week as CJ is now full to make room for more!
- GUEST SPEAKERS:
 - Ret. General Dave Glaser, Chief Strategy Officer Oct. 8th
 - Dr. Dannie Moore, VPSA Oct. 22
 - VP Amanda Withers, CFO TBD

Director Reports

A. Community Affairs – Angela Toscano

- Meetings are Wednesday @2pm in LSC 314 with Zoom Available.
- Suicide Awareness Tabling Yesterday!!
- Upcoming Events:
 - Your Voice Matters Table
 - Thursday, Oct. 3 @11am-2pm
 - Monday, Oct. 7 @12pm-3pm
 - Breast Cancer Awareness Table
 - Wednesday, Oct. 9 @1pm-3pm
 - Domestic Violence Panel
 - Thursday, October 17 @3pm-4:30pm
 - Tacos for Tatas
 - Thursday, October 24 @4pm-6pm
- Have any ideas for Community Affairs? Email me

adl080@shsu.edu 😊

B. Student Affairs - Aly Underwood

- Our meetings are Wednesdays at 3:00pm in the SGA office (zoom is available if requested)
- Upcoming Events:
 - Latin Night October 3rd from 9:00pm-12:00pm in the White Ballroom
 - Halloween LSC Takeover October 30th 7-10pm
 - Room update!
 - Will be in LSC 116
 - Set up at 5:30pm
 - Takedown at 10:30
 - Our department has been working purchase requests and finalizing events and planning for November and December

C. Public Relations - Rhiannon Guel & Alyssa Hernandez

- Meetings are Thursday at 3:30pm
- Flyer requests need to be sent in 3-4 weeks AHEAD of time.
- Thursday's pics are in photo circle and are posted!
- Tonight VP Debate!
- Suicide Awareness Flyer posted
- Breast Cancer Awareness Flyer – Oct 5th
- DV Awareness Flyer – Oct 17th
 - If you have any ideas for PR or need to send in a request email us at rlg080@shsu.edu and amh223@shsu.edu

D. Rules and Regulations- Emarie Schweikhardt

- Meetings are on Thursdays at 1:00pm in the SGA office

- Constitution Workshop on Thursday, October 10th at 5:00pm
- Constitution Workshop Recap in the department meeting the following Thursday (October 17th)
- Please contact me if you have ideas for legislation
 - Email: eps017@shsu.edu

E. Director of Caucus – Abigail Dittman

- I will be emailing the Deans to ask if we can have “Dinner with the Deans” to speak about collaboration.
- Our Caucus chairs are considering Tabling in each of our buildings.
- Luncheon with the caucus chairs.
- Reaching out to our Associate Deans for advertising and social media.

Director of Council – Alyssa Rodriguez

- If you plan on stating your intent today, please stay after the meeting so I can gather your information. Don't hesitate to ask if you have any questions about the council member process—I'm here to help!
- Please join the GroupMe – after your intent email is sent!
- This year, we'll use separate attendance forms and QR codes for council members and voted-in senators and directors.
- The College of Criminal Justice is full!
- Feel free to contact me at – amr257@shsu.edu

Chair Reports

A. Graduate – VACANT

B. Sciences, Engineering and Technology – Emmy Castro

- My meeting with Dean Holt was successful! Our next meeting is

scheduled for October 23 at 11:00am.

- Topics we covered
 - Reaching out to clubs and offering help such as volunteering, help with scheduling tables, and reposting club events on the COSET Instagram.
 - Getting in contact with someone who can help me better categorize COSET scholarships.
 - Finding COSET clubs to help with setting up tailgates and handing out items.
 - For this I am getting in contact with Susan Floyd who is the head of tailgating. So far, we have one club willing to volunteer.
 - I also had a Zoom meeting with Jette Morris and Shellie Armstrong, the heads of marketing and communication for COSET. We went over what kind of things we would like to post in the future such as Alumnispeaks and club events.

If you are a COSET senator, please come see me so I can add you to the GroupMe!
If you have any question, you can contact me at enc033@shsu.edu



COSET QR

C. Humanities and Social Sciences – Ashari Gordan

- I'm currently working on setting up a meeting with my dean, as well as getting my flyer and Microsoft form approved to post around the college.
- Intercultural Communication Workshop with Dr. Hubbard
Wednesday, October 9, 2024
- Melanie Sweeney book signing and reading Wednesday, October 2, 2024

5pm to 6:30pm

D. Arts and Media – VACANT

- Entertained by President Scott to vote a chair for cam
 - o Candidates: Daijion Jackson and Jasmine Stewart
 - Moved by Director Underwood for a secret ballot
 - Seconded by Director Guel
 - o Passes to do a secret ballot
 - Secret ballot was 3-1
 - Congratulations to our new CAM Chair, Daijion Jackson!

E. Education – Hailey Patterson

- I am currently working on setting up the first monthly meeting with Dean Edmonson before September is over. When we have our first meeting, I plan on addressing: Events coming up for the College of Education, what the college wants to do with SGA, and what we can do personally in order to help them grow. If you are an education major and have any questions, or concerns that you would like me to bring up during our meeting, feel free to email me at hsp008@shsu.edu.

F. Criminal Justice Chair - Je'hmory Coleman

- I have a meeting scheduled with Dean Lyons for October 7th at 9:30 AM
- The CJ caucus will meet every other Thursday at 5pm to discuss concerns starting this week
 - i. After the meeting we will be taking a caucus group photo to celebrate our college being filled
- Criminal Justice Student Leaders Breakfast with Senior Associate Dean Dr. Boisvert on Thursday October 3rd, from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in A125.
 - i. Wear your SGA polos and slacks
- I am going to try to get on the screens in the CJ building so that people know who I am

- I plan to table in the CJ building soon with a QR code that students can scan to express any concerns or ideas.

G. Health Sciences – Eva McDonald

- I met with Interim Dean Zapalac September 30th at 11:00 am
- We discussed hosting events to get certifications.
- Creating a navigation page for Health Sciences organizations, events, and resources.
- Having a Wellness Walk event.
- Updating the maps of/on campus.
- Gaining engagement by creating and posting videos with staff and students.
- The College of Health Sciences wants to improve engagement by reaching out to high schools in the area.
- I have submitted my self-nomination to join the COHS Dean's Advisory Committee and am hoping that SGA will be able to collaborate with them.
- I am going to be working on a PowerPoint presentation to send to the dean with the plans for these ideas.
- If you have any ideas, question, or concerns that you would like for me to discuss with the dean please get in contact with me @ exm196@shsu.edu
- If you are a Senator for the College of Health Sciences, please join the GroupMe, we will be discussing establishing our Caucus meetings.



H. Business Administration – Abigail Dittman

- Dean Self and I will have an initial meeting on October 3rd from 10:30-11.
- I am communicating with our COBA senators to intend on having our first meeting. Please be active in communicating with me.

- I have reached out to COBA clubs and organizations and sent an SGA questionnaire to seek and advocate for their ideas for COBA.
- We will have recruitment initiatives, through GroupMe, social media, and tabling.

General Information

A. Old Business

- *CAM Chair Vote*

B. New Business

Vote In's:

- Lily Temple-Dozier – CHSS
 - Motion made by Director Underwood
 - Seconded by CJ Senator Smith
 - Unanimous Pass, congratulations!
- Connor Brett – COSET
 - Entertained by President Scott
 - Motion made by Director Underwood
 - Seconded by COBA Senator Moody
 - 26 Yays, 1 Nays, 6 Abstentions
 - Passes, congratulations!
 - President Scott entertained for COSET Senator Brett to be confirmed as SGA's parliamentarian.
 - Moved by COHS Senator Ulloa
 - Seconded by CJ Chair Coleman
 - 26 Yays, 1 Nays, 5 Abstentions
 - Passes, congratulations to SGA's parliamentarian.
- Krista Henderson – COBA
 - Entertained by President Scott
 - Motion made by VP Rojas-Caballero
 - Seconded by COSET Senator Brett
 - 28 Yays, 5 Abstentions

- Passes, congratulations!

C. Open Forum

Open to discuss anything from the meeting.

Questions:

- “What color is the color y'all ordered?” - Question for Executive Board
 - Answered by President Scott: White polos for executive board and navy blue for senate.
- President Scott’s addition to his report:
 - October 8th we will have a guest speaker – Major General (ret.) Dave Glaser, Chief Strategy Officer.
 - He will be discussing where the university is going over the next 5 years.
 - Use this as an opportunity for you all to ask him questions as far as some of the university's strategic plan & their initiatives.
 - Dr. Moore will be attending a senate meeting to address the senate again! *More details for that will be announced, once everything is finalized.*
 - Amanda Withers, Chief Financial Officer, has been sent an invitation to speak at a senate meeting. *More details for that will be announced, once everything is finalized.*
- Question to COHS McDonald – Over her report discussing finding classes
 - “Could we work with CAB (Campus Activity Board) to create an event or something similar to other events that help students find their classes?”
 - COHS McDonald responded with she liked the idea! Perhaps we can use the resources they have to create a campus map, to help students. Please email her if you have anything else to add!
- Treasurer Hernandez take on Purchase Requests or Room Reservations:
 - Please submit them to the director of that department. Directors, please make sure to look them over to make sure everything is correct before they send them to Treasurer Hernandez.
- Director of Council Rodriguez:

- To all council members, please stay after the meeting and scan the QR code. *We apologize for the technical difficulties. *

Intents Stated:

- Akylia Washington: COSET/COCJ
- Halen Sanchez: COSET

D. Announcements

Outside of SGA reminders.

- Interested in being Mr. Tri Sigma? Please reach out to COHS Senator Ulloa & CHSS Senator Martinez for further information.
- AXO will be having “Coffee Talk” at Sipsy’s on Wednesday at 6pm to bring awareness to her sorority's philanthropy (domestic violence awareness). Please reach out to Chief of Staff Macias for further information.
- Crunk Christians will be having a mixer next Tuesday! Feel free to come after the senate meeting. Please reach out to CHSS Senator Temple-Dozier for further information.
- Make sure to check out Theta Rho Chapter Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc Sigma Week!!! Please reach out to President Scott for further information.

E. Adjourn Meeting – 7:21pm

- Motion made by
 - Seconded by
 - Unanimous Pass
 - See y'all next week!