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Senate Meeting #4– February 11th, 2025

– *Call to Order at 6:01pm*

– *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."

– *Texas Pledge*

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

– *Roll Call: 39 Senators, 3 Executive Board Members (2 Virtual),*

– *Certify Meeting Minutes 01/28/2024*

- Entertained by President Scott
 - Moved by Director Trowbridge
 - Seconded by Senator Mugeku
 - Uni pass

– *Ice Breaker: 5 minutes of social time!*

Officer Reports

A. *Chief of Staff Macias*

- Office Hours: Mondays and Wednesdays 11am-12pm!
- FSL Townhall Meeting March 19th at 4:30-6:30PM in LSC 320, Tell your FSL Friends!!
- Make sure to have your office hours done by SATURDAY AT 11:59PM, please communicate if you need an extension or need to be excused.
- The Senator and Caucus Office hours sheets are in BB.
- Directors and Caucus Chairs, please be mindful of the office hours you are assigning council members!
- Directors and Caucus Chairs please have all office hours signed off by Sunday 11:59PM PLEASEEEEEEE!!
- If you guys need to be excused from an office hour or had something, come up... Please contact me and keep me in the loop!
- If you guys need anything, please reach out to me!!

B. *Treasurer Hernandez*

- Office hours: Tuesdays 12:30pm-2:30pm and Thursdays 3pm-5pm
- If you are every unsure about what events are happening, please don't hesitate to look at Secretary Salmeron's calendar or ask me :)
- Meeting with Brandon and Teresa at 2:00 pm every Tuesday
- Examples of a purchase requests, plaza/room reservation, and emails can be found on blackboard under the expenditure tab
- Email: lh033@shsu.edu

C. *Secretary Salmeron*

- Office Hours: Monday – 9am-10am, Friday – 9am-10am
- Attendance: If you will not be at mandatory events or Senate meetings, please let me know by Tuesday's at 12pm.
- Blackboard Updates & SGA Calendar Invites
- Department "Home" Reminder
- Love Letters from SGA – thank you for participating!

D. Vice President Rojas-Caballero

- Office Hours:
 - Monday- 9:00am-10:30am, 3:15-4:00
 - If you need to meet with me outside of that feel free to reach out!
- Internal Affairs meets bi-weekly on Mondays at 6pm in the SGA office
 - Will meet next Monday at 6pm in the SGA office
- Orange tie
 - RSVP Form
 - No plus ones
 - RSVP QR code is on black board
 - If you are a graduating Senior, please fill out the QR code on black board, will also put it in SGA Group chat
 - April 29th, 2025 at 6:00pm
- TSUS SAB Meeting next week
 - Feb 12-Feb14
- Received Menstrual Dispenser inventory
 - Reaching out to Aunt flow regarding marketing materials
- New Senator Orientation
 - First one is this Wednesday with COS Macias!
 - Next one will take place 2/18, 2/19, 2/21
 - Dates for the remainder of the semester are now on black board in the “New voted in senators” tab!

E. President Scott

- Office Hours Mondays from 11-3PM and Thursdays from 12-2PM
- Met w/ Dr. Moore Thursday at 3PM
- TSUS Board of Regents Meeting This Week W-F. I will have limited availability. Don't hesitate to reach out to me via e-mail.
- SGA Election Schedule:
 - Filing Opens March 3 and closes March 17 @ 5PM.
 - Required Candidate Meeting Monday March 17 @ 5PM and Thursday March 20 @5PM. Voting will take place April 7-10 via your SHSU e-mail

* If you want to remain in SGA you must file to run even if not running for an Eboard Position, and please do not discuss election season in the office.

Director Reports

A. Community Affairs – Angela Toscano and Akylia Washington

- Meetings are on Thursday @2pm with Zoom Available
 - Room: LSC 325
 - (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)
- Business Blueprint
 - TOMORROW! Starts @4:30pm in LSC 241
 - Attire: Business Attire or Polo & Slacks
- Start Fresh with Clean Care Drive
 - Starts NEXT MONDAY
- Huntsville City Council Meeting
 - February 18 @6pm
 - Ask about “Meet Your Local Officials”
 - If you have any concerns that need to be brought up to the council, please reach out to us.
- 15th Annual B.A.P.I.
 - Saturday, April 12 @9am-1pm | Mandatory for ALL SGA!
 - BAPI Committee Meeting
 - Marketing, New Sites, Volunteers, Site Leaders
 - Site Leader Registration Due: March 29, 2025
- Have any ideas, questions, concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to us! :)
 - Our Emails adl080@shsu.edu & aiw010@shsu.edu

B. Student Affairs - Lily Temple-Dozier and Aly Underwood

- Tomorrow’s meeting is at 4:00pm in LSC 325
 - Please still let us know if you need to join on zoom!
- Upcoming Events:
 - Spread the Love
 - Thursday, February 13th, 11:00am – 4:00pm in LSC 320
 - Providing students with access to real flowers and personalized cards to celebrate Valentine’s Day

- We will need members fill in time slots for the event, see us to participate!
- Spring Fest
 - March 20th, 5-8
 - Soda Bowling
 - Pie the Pres as a reward for winning our game
- Eco-Week
 - Monday, April 7th, 5-8: Thrifted
 - With UBUNTU
 - Tuesday, April 8th, 12-2: Stuck on SGA
 - Wednesday, April 9th – In Progress
 - Thursday, April 10th, Adopt Don't Shop
- February Student Affairs Meeting Locations:
 - February 12th: LSC 325
 - February 19th: LSC 325
 - February 26th: LSC 322
- When submitting office hours please email them to the both of us.
- If you have any SGA questions or need guidance, please let us know, we'd love to help!
- Email: aeu003@shsu.edu lkt009@shsu.edu

C. Public Relations - Rhiannon Guel & Adison Trowbridge

- Meetings are Mondays at 3:30
- Flyer requests need to be sent in 3-4 weeks AHEAD of when it needs to be POSTED. We will only be accepting flyer requests from Directors and Chairs. Please CC Secretary Salmeron in your emails!
- Office Hours need to be sent to BOTH of us and need to be on time (Friday). Reach out to us if you need an extension!
- Directors, please plan out your posts to be posted during the weekdays, unless approved by us for a specific weekend please avoid flyers being posted on the weekend.
- Member of the Week will be announced in new business! Make sure you are filling out the form! We are only getting 8 responses out of about 60 senators.

- BAPI 2025 - awaiting approval
- Start Fresh with Clean Care – Feb 17th
- FSL Townhall – Feb 27th
- Interview with MrDr. Brandon Cooper and Dean Smith – filmed (S/O Senator Gillespie and Rodriguez)
- Black History Month Faculty Highlight – We are still waiting for a few responses but most got back to us so we will begin posting this week!
- Collaborating with First Gen this Friday in the morning! Please contact us if you want to be involved.
- If you have any ideas for PR or need to send in a request email us at rlg080@shsu.edu axt158@shsu.edu

D. Rules and Regulations- Emarie Schweikhardt

- Meetings at 4:00pm on Thursdays in the SGA Office (LSC 314)
- Tabling on Tuesday (12:30-3:00), Wednesday (12:30-3:00), and Thursday (12:00-2:30) with a survey about dining and rec hours
- Bylaws Workshop Feb. 26th @ 6pm
- What is a Bylaws Workshop? Attendees will be divided into groups and assigned to read and edit different portions of the bylaws.
- Please contact me if you have ideas for legislation
 - Email: eps017@shsu.edu

F. Interim Director of Council – D’Juan Fontenot

- DATE: 02/11/2025
- If you are stating your intent, please stay back so I can gather your information!
- 5 Vote-Ins Nevaeh Tellis (COHS), T’lysia Fuller (CAM), Sarah Aguilera (CHSS), Kayla Rhone (COE), Lesly Vega (COSET)
- Make sure you're completing your council member process correctly
 - Fill out the application (attached) NEW SENATOR APPLICATION
 - Take the SGA knowledge quiz (must get 80% or above, this is found on the blackboard)
 - Attend two department meetings (for example: Rules and Regulations, Community Affairs, etc.)

- Complete two office hours
- Meet the SHSU GPA requirement of a minimum of 2.25
- Feel free to ask any questions: ddf028@shsu.edu



Director of Caucus/COBA Caucus Chair – Abigail Dittman

- For Chairs, please review the excel spreadsheet and highlight organizations
- Business Senators, we are going to the Capitol with the chamber, Feb. 26th.
- Meeting with Dean Self on February 20th
- Meeting with Rhonda Ellisor from SBDC
- Email: Agd039@shsu.edu

Chair Reports

B. Sciences, Engineering and Technology – Emmy Castro

- Dean meeting: Thursday, February 13th at 11:30 am
- Forensics trivia coming soon!
- COSET ambassador applications due February 14th!
- COSET career fair Wednesday, February 26th; 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
- Recycling in Huntsville
- Any further questions can be directed to me at enc033@shsu.edu or come see me after today's meeting!

C. Interim Humanities and Social Sciences – Jazmine Rivera

- I am setting up a meeting with my dean
- I have set up the meetings for our CHSS Caucus to be held bi-weekly on a Friday @5 our next meeting is Feb. 21st
- If you have any ideas or questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to my email: jtr064@shsu.edu

D. Arts and Media – Daijion Jackson

- The meeting with Interim Dean Anderson for February 25th at 9:30
- The C.A.M Breakfast with Interim Dean Anderson is on February 18th
- I'm in the process of negotiating prices with swank motion pictures to get the rights for the movie night
- If you have any questions my email is ddj041@shsu.edu

E. Education – Alexis Argueta

- Meeting with Dean Edmondson
 - Went well! We discussed how SGA will be included in the COE Newsletters and much more.
 - Possible Organization Photo Shoot w/ COE orgs (including SGA)
- **TRiO Outreach**
 - Still in the works of meeting with the coordinator, Mrs. Stuckey.
 - Hoping to get a meeting scheduled soon.
- **SGA COE Senator GroupMe**
 - Please look for this information on Blackboard
- **If you have any questions or ideas, please email me at:** ara093@shsu.edu.

F. Criminal Justice – Je'hmorey Coleman

- I met with Dean Lyons today at 12:00pm
- Our first CJ caucus meeting was on Friday at 3

G. Health Sciences – Tyree Roberts

- Caucus meeting this Friday 3pm
- Met with Deans Advisory Board
- FASFA Workshop

- COHS Week 17th – 21st
- American Heart Awareness Month Tabling February 27th 12pm to 3pm
- I'm open to feedback, concerns, and ideas so please don't hesitate to reach out my email: tdr050@shsu.edu

A. Old Business

B. New Business

- Vote In's:

Nevah Tellis (COHS)

Entertained by President Scott

- Moved by Senator Abrego
- Seconded by Parliamentary Brett
 - 39 Yays, 4 Abstentions
 - Passes to become a COHS Senator!
- Senator Balfour motioned to limit the discussion to 2 minutes.
- Seconded by Director Dittman
 - Director Schweikhardt moved to amend the previous motion, to make it three minutes instead of two.
 - Seconded by Parliamentary Brett
 - Motion passes to limit discussion to 3 minutes

T'lysia Fuller (CAM)

Entertained by President Scott

- Moved by Director Underwood
- Seconded by Chair Argueta
 - 36# Yays, 8 Abstentions
 - Passes to become a CAM Senator!

Sarah Aguilera (CHSS)

Entertained by President Scott

- Moved by Senator Abrego
- Seconded by Senator Mogeckwu
 - 36 Yays, 5 Abstentions
 - Passes to become a CHSS Senator!

Lesly Vega (COSET)

Entertained by President Scott

- Moved by Senator Mogeckwu
- Seconded by Senator Neal
 - 37yays, 5 Abstentions
 - Passes to become a COSET Senator!

Resolution S-25-01

R+L Carriers Bowl Carriers Bowl Champion Recognition

- Entertained by President Scott
 - Moved by Director Underwood Aly
 - Seconded by Chair Jackson
 - 39 yays, 1 Abstentions
 - Resolution S-25-01 passes!

Discussion on the Resolution:

- Senator Balfour inquired about the purpose of the resolution, asking whether it was addressing a problem within SGA. President Scott clarified that resolutions do not always address problems; rather, they can serve to acknowledge and celebrate achievements. In this case, the resolution aims to recognize the university's football team for securing their first-ever bowl game victory.
 - Senator Balfour then questioned the timing of the resolution, noting that the game took place last semester in December. President Scott acknowledged this but explained that due to scheduling constraints, including a delay in internal processes and a missed meeting caused by snow days, the resolution is only now being introduced during the fourth meeting of the semester. To summarize, the resolution's purpose is to officially recognize and support the football team's achievement on behalf of the student body.
- Parliamentary Brett moved to amend the last whereas "the R+L Bowl to R+L Carriers New Orleans Bowl"

- Seconded by Senator Durham
 - Voting 1 abstention

Discussion on the name:

- Senator Moody raised a question regarding potential confusion surrounding the resolution, asking, "Is there any room for confusion on this? Is this a huge deal? Can it be confused with anything else, or does it really matter?" Senator Moody further clarified that they believe the reference to R. and L. Bold is specific enough and understood by everyone. "We're just kind of being a little easier with it, that's all I have to say on that," they concluded.
- Senator Rodriguez expressed strong support for the resolution, stating, "I think, for the season that the football team had, it would be really, really cool to acknowledge them on something like this. Given that the game was back in December, I feel like, you know, it was a really good season, and they went all the way to win the bowl game. So this is something that I fully agree with, that I think we should all take into consideration again." Senator Rodriguez emphasized the importance of school spirit, concluding with, "Eat them up, Kats! Let's show them that spirit."

- Senator Sandoval moved to end discussion on Connors motion
 - Director Underwood seconded
 - Unanimous pass
- Senator Smith moved to end debate over the resolution
 - Seconded by Director Fontenot
 - 1 nay, 1 abstention

Open Forum

Open to discuss anything from the meeting.

Stated Intents:

Mackenzie Menefi – COCJ

Jovial Clark – COHS

Jayla Morris – COHS

Valeria Robles – COBA

A. Announcements

Outside of SGA reminders.

E. Motion to Adjourn Meeting at 7:41pm

- Entertained by President Scott
 - o Moved by Senator Neal
 - o Seconded by Senator Durham
 - Uni pass