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Senate Meeting #5 – November 12th, 2024

– *Call to Order at 6:00pm*

– *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*

Senators: 39 Executive Board: 5 (1 on zoom)

Total: 63

– *Certify Meeting Minutes 11/05/2024*

– Entertained by VP

- Moved by Director Underwood

- Seconded by CJ Senator M. Moge kwu

a. Unanimous Pass

- ***Reintroducing our advisors! Mr. Brandon Cooper & Dr. Dean Smith***
- ***Ice Breaker: Name a hidden gem in Huntsville***
 - Secretary Salmeron mentioned Louise & Oleta's Tea House and Cafe.
 - CAM Senator H. Rodriguez mentioned a Mexican restaurant called Gordo's.
 - CJ Senator E. Alvarez mentioned a thrift store called Good Old Times.

Officer Reports

A. Chief of Staff Macias

- Office Hours: TUES/THURS 1-2PM
- Make Sure to complete your office hours
- Directors make sure to sign off on office hours, so I don't put as incomplete.
- All office hours must be recorded by SATURDAY 11:59PM!!!
- We have a caucus senator office hour sheet
- PLEASE make sure that you record your office hours there has been a lot of missing office hours.
- 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
- Reminders:
 - Room Reservation & Purchase Request 4-5 weeks
 - I will except purchase request and room reservations from Directors
 - room reservations from Caucus Chairs
- Examples of a purchase request, email, and room reservation can be found on blackboard under the expenditure tab
- Meeting with Brandon and Teresa at 1pm on Wednesdays
- Email: llh033@shsu.edu

- I WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTING PURCHASE REQUESTS AS OF NOW FOR THE MONTHS OF NOV or DEC!!!
- I will still be taking Tabeling and room reservation

C. Secretary Salmeron

- Will be going with Mr. Cooper to SHSU Property Wednesday!
- Assisting Chair Coleman with SGA/CJ marketing.
- Blackboard Updates: Outlook signature, updated fall 24 roster
- Attendance:
 - The dress code still needs to be followed.
 - If you are not in this court room by 6:05pm you will be counted as an unexcused absence.
 - If you are on zoom and not actively participating, you will be counted as an unexcused absence.
- If you will not be making it to mandatory events (safety walk), or senate meetings please send me an email with a valid excuse.
- My office hours are every Monday from 8:30am-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 IN PERSON at 6:00pm.
- Scheduling director One-on-ones!
 - New dates have been sent out, deadline to respond is
- Menstrual Product dispenser gear fixing
 - Taking product to facilities building Friday
- Orange Tie Planning
 - Thank you to those who have been sending ideas
 - Talk to me after if you are graduating at the end of the semester!
 - Tentative for April 29th, 2025 at 6:00pm
- Texas State University System, Student Advisory Board 11/20-11/22 @ Lamar University
 - Four topics to present to the Board of Regents which were concerns

shared amongst all 7 components including Retention and Enrollment amongst upperclassmen, Campus Safety, Student Involvement and Engagement and lastly Mental Healthcare resources.

E. President Scott

- Weekly 1:1 meeting with Dean Smith and Brandon on Mondays at 9am in LSC 210.
- E-Board meetings are on Mondays at 5pm.
- COE Chair is now VACANT, COE will vote for a new chair today in new business if there is a candidate.
- VP Rojas-Caballero will chair next two in-person senate meetings due to ring ceremony and Tree of Lights. I will see you all on Zoom 11/25 for our last meeting of the Fall semester. Please reach out to me via e-mail or stop by my office hours if you would like to reach me!
- TSUS Student Regent/ THECB Student Representative Application due 12/02/2024 by 5 PM to VPSA
- Amanda Withers, Senior VP for Operations Management canceled today due to her daughter making Area Playoffs
- Meeting w/ Brandon and LSC Director Joe Campos Wednesday to discuss cabinet approved LSC Wall Display as well as SGA picture display outside of office
- Meeting w/ Dr. Moore this Friday
- Meeting w/ VP Bethea, VP for University Advancement Monday
- TSUS Board of Regents Meeting next week Wednesday-Thursday at Lamar University w/ VP Rojas-Caballero
- Meeting w/ Dr. White Tuesday 11/25
- Florecemos and Black Excellence graduation ceremonies are 12/02 and 12/03 respectively in the Orange Ballroom at 6:00PM. Please make an effort to attend. The attire will be after 5. This is an event by SGA. Your attendance is highly encouraged, let's do our best to support Director Temple and Chair Castro with these great events, don't hesitate to reach out to them regarding how you can help!

Director Reports

A. Community Affairs – Angela Toscano and Akylia Washington

- Tomorrow's meeting will be MOVED to 5pm on Zoom
- 2024 Safety Walk = 2 Days
 - Thursday, November 14 @6pm
 - Last Informational for Site Leaders
 - Wednesday Nov. 13 @2pm with zoom available
 - If you cannot attend, email Akylia and I and CC Secretary Salmeron with a valid excuse.
 - If you do not know if you signed up for safety walk, please see us after the meeting
 - All final site placements will be sent via email on Wednesday
 - EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN SAFETY WALK!
- Huntsville City Council Meeting
 - November 19 @6pm
- “Keep It Warm” Winter Clothes Drive
 - January 19, 2025 - February 1, 2025
 - If you have anything that you want to donate, please bring it to the office and place it in the blue tote.
- Our Emails adl080@shsu.edu & aiw010@shsu.edu 😊

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

- Our meetings are Wednesdays at 3:00pm in the SGA office (zoom is available if requested an hour before the meeting starts)
- Upcoming Events:
 - Surviving finals
 - December 4th from 12-2, Plaza
 - Materials for purchase & flyer request submitted!
 - Snacks
 - Scantrons
 - Extra gum
 - Pencils

- Monster
 - To-Go Hot Cocoa
 - December 9th 12-2, Plaza
- When submitting office hours please email them to both Lily and I
- If you have any SGA questions or need guidance, please let us know, I'd love to help!
- Email: aeu003@shsu.edu lkt009@shsu.edu

C. Public Relations - Rhiannon Guel & Adison Trowbridge

- Meetings are Mondays at 2:00 in the office, zoom is available just contact us
- 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.
- Member of the week will be announced in New Business.
- Black Excellence Ceremony/ Florecemos Flyer
- Diabetes Awareness
- Surviving Finals
- Director photos
- 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 are on Thursdays at 1:00pm in the SGA office
- Please contact me if you have ideas for legislation
 - Email: eps017@shsu.edu

F. 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 read your post-intent email!
- Make sure you complete all requirements by Monday at 5pm.
- Thank you COBA senators!
- Feel free to contact me at – amr257@shsu.edu



• ***D. Director of Caucus/COBA Caucus Chair – Abigail Dittman***

- COBA came through and tabled!! Thank you to those who volunteered their time!
- I met with Professor Milner over Zoom and he is working on helping us make connections for Huntsville Small Businesses. This will be another way we connect those for Business Blueprint!
- Please contact me if you have any questions or initiatives
- Email: Agd039@shsu.edu

Chair Reports

A. Graduate – VACANT

B. Sciences, Engineering and Technology – Emmy Castro

- Meeting with COSET Caucus and ambassadors is set for Friday November 22nd
- Sorting scholarships with Dr. Lester is in progress
- IMC approval!
- COSET ambassador application information will be out November 18th
- Any further questions can be directed to me at enc033@shsu.edu or come see me after today's meeting!
- If you are a COSET Senator and still haven't joined Groupme please scan!



C. Humanities and Social Sciences – Ashari Gordan

- CHSS caucus went to first gen breakfast and are reaching out to orgs for our breakfast w the dean
- Planning meeting w dean for November
- Scheduling meeting with my dean for November
- 11/06 Medical and Health Humanities Talk series- Iris Clever
- 11/07 Texas Tech “how to get into law school”- PLS
- 11/14 Bush School of Public service and international affairs discussing Masters in Public Admin- PLS
- Career Diplomat Presentation from Director Katherine Ho 11/14 9am-2pm
- CHSS ambassador application is open for spring 2025!
- Reach out to me for prelaw/ government internship opportunities a lot close within the next few weeks and early December
- Tabling for diabetes awareness month w/ Chair McDonald if senators can help please lmk! 11/21 12-2pm oty
- If you are interested in legal internships reach out!

Arts and Media – Daijion Jackson

- I tabled with a few C.A.M senators for the First-Generation Celebration this pass Friday.
- I met with Ms.Hobbs-Barrett the Administrator Coordinator *III* where we discussed tabling
- I'm done receiving feedback from most C.A.M orgs and drawing up an outline for the possible talent show which I will show during my caucus meeting.
- I'm reaching out again to see if I can schedule another meeting with my dean for November.
- If you have any questions my email is ddj041@shsu.edu
- If you are a C.A.M Senator and have not scanned the QR please scan this



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D.Education – VACANT

E. Criminal Justice Chair - Je'hmory Coleman

- Things I'm working on:
 - i. An organization committee for CJ
 - ii. Getting on the screens
 - iii. Tabling in the college
 1. We will be tabling Thursday at 12pm in the lobby and getting student feedback
- I met with Dean Lyons Thursday November 7th at 12:00pm and we discussed
 - i. Having a networking event with Alumni
 - ii. The ADA accessibility of the restrooms
 - iii. The difficulties in navigating throughout the building
 - iv. Having students more involved in events as opposed to just faculty
 - v. The availability of classes in person
- Our next Caucus meeting will be Thursday November 14th at 5pm before Safety Walk
- If you have any ideas pertaining to the college of criminal justice talk to me after the meeting or email me at jwc061@shsu.edu

F. Health Sciences – Eva McDonald

- Our caucus meeting is arranged for Wednesday, likely at 8pm
- Thursday, November 14th at 2 p.m. in LSC 241A the COHS Student Advisory Board meeting will be held
- Blood Drive- Tuesday, Nov. 19, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM in the LSC White Ballroom- donors will receive a free blanket
- Turkey Bowl Food Drive- November 11–19, 2024, the LSC Kat Klub bring canned good item to the Kat Klub and receive a free game of bowling
- My meetings with the dean are scheduled for the last Monday of each month. If you have any question or concerns that you would like to discuss with me or want me to discuss with the dean, please get in contact with me @ exm196@shsu.edu

A. Old Business

- ***Watch Night Party with NAACP***
 - Successful – great use of student engagement
 - Exciting to see young people care and be involved in politics
 - Thank you to everyone who attended!
- ***Potluck***
 - Great way to foster a welcoming environment outside of the office
 - Thank you to everyone who attended!

New Business

- ***Member of the week: COHS Chair McDonald! Thank you for your hard work and dedication to SGA!***
- ***Education Chair:***
 - COED failed to meet quorum to vote on a new education chair.
 - Concerns brought up: Double majors
 - Example: If you are double major, and you are in the COCJ and COED. You would have to pick 1 college to represent, and that pick will be the one you identify with when voting within your caucus.
- ***Vote In's:***
 - *Alex Sanders: COHS*
 - Entertained by VP Rojas-Caballero
 - Motion made by COHS Senator A. Ulloa
 - Seconded by CJ Senator M. Muguku
 - 42Yays, 3 Abstentions
 - Passes congratulations!

B. Open Forum

Open to discuss anything from the meeting.

- Winter drive: Want to donate? Tote bags will be provided in the office.
- What type of blankets are going to be? Just a cozy blanket (Blood Drive)
- Food allergies: Please make sure to not take specific food that is reserved for specific people.

Stated Intents:

- Bryce Robinson: COBA
- Kennedy Scott: COHS
- Tyra: COSET
- Janiyah Henderson: NURSING
- Sofia Costa: COSET
- Kaylin Haynes: CJ
- Mohammed Alsaleh: ---
- Kimura ---: CJ
- Trinity: COHS
- David Stringer: COSET

C. Announcements

Outside of SGA reminders.

- Mr. TriSigma Pageant: Support Senator Moody tomorrow at 6pm in the White ballroom! (\$10 a ticket)
- Women's basketball game on the 20th, go out and support!
- NAACP meeting, its open to everyone!
- Sigma Chi hosting a fight night, and having a band!

E. Motion to Adjourn Meeting at 7:11pm

- Entertained by VP Rojas-Caballero
 - Motion made by COHS Senator A. Ulloa
 - Seconded by Chair Jackson
 - Unanimous Pass.

