

UNIVERSITY of
HOUSTON
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Minutes as Recorded
By: Claudia Rodriguez
SC North Senate Chamber, 7:30 PM
Wednesday October 7th, 2015

Clause 1: Call to order by presiding officer

- I. Opening call of the roll
Meeting called to order at 7:34 PM

Clause 2: Recital of Alma Mater

Clause 3: Reading and approval of previous meeting's minutes
Approved

Clause 4: Special Reports

- I. University Representatives wishing to address the senate
None
- II. Students wishing to address the Senate
None
- III. Two-minute speeches by the Members of the Senate
 - a. Senator Wiltshire: I love everybody
 - b. Senator Mascorro: Gave opinion of questionnaire and senators should stay neutral and approachable
 - c. Senator Kirchoff: Trying hard to find a replacement for Maha
 - d. Senator Martinez: Box to be put in SC to donate coats to homeless veterans
 - e. Senator Galvan: Ordering a suggestion box and would like people to take her survey
 - f. Senator Hernandez: Safety and security meeting talked about survey and about 3% of population have the license so carry guns and Cambridge Oaks is not part of campus property and escort rates have gone down 68% and Walk in the Dark on 14th
 - g. Senator Dixit: Making a prep room in Bauer for interviews and more microwaves
 - h. Senator Wilke: CLASS is trying to get an "Inside Scoop" type thing to teach first time college students and holding a fundraiser in Montrose
 - i. Senator Tolat: Fundraiser at Pharmacy school at Bullritos for St. Jude's
 - j. Senator Bodiford: Architecture looking for connections to help make a mock jury to gain presentation skills and lights out in parking lots
 - k. Senator Kauffman: He thanks the entire city of Tulsa for their hospitality, especially the body massages on behalf of their special events coordinator. His only critique was that the hot rocks were just a little too hot for his taste, but nevertheless he enjoyed the game. Elliot presents a white flag to the SMU student body president for the football game.

Clause 5: Executive and Speaker Reports

- I. Report of the President
 - a. Thursday game tomorrow
 - b. Get on Metro on purple line for free by wearing red
 - c. Walk in the Dark is a SGA and UH event next week
 - d. Walk a Mile in Her Shoes coming up
 - e. Refer students to questionnaire if show concerns for campus carry
- II. Report of the Vice President
 - a. Met with SRA Council Monday
 - b. Sugarland will be getting a food truck next week
 - c. Finalizing the petition for meal plans
 - d. Start writing legislation on the things senators are working on
 - e. Appointing a Sugarland liaison to make sure the students are enjoying campus community
- III. Report of the Chief of Staff
 - a. Interviewing Emerging Leaders
 - b. Next Tuesday is RSO Resource Fair – need volunteers
 - c. SGA Jackets
- IV. Report of the Director of Finance
 - No Report
- V. Report of the Director of Public Relations
 - No Report
- VI. Report of the Director of External Affairs
 - a. Voter Registration – registered 150 people
 - b. Mayor Parker will be giving a speech at our next meeting!
- VII. Report of the Attorney General
 - No Report
- VIII. Report of Associate Director
 - No report
- IX. Report of the Speaker
 - a. Challenge: Be a good and engaged senator
 - b. Absences will be emailed out
 - c. Senator of the Month: Christopher Sanderson

Clause 6: Committee Reports

- I. Reports of the Standing Committees
 - a. Academic Affairs
 - i. Faculty senate is very supportive of grade replacement
 - ii. CASA reform bill
 - iii. Meetings opposite Wednesdays in Senate Chambers
 - b. University Administration and Finance
 - i. Update bylaws on website
 - ii. Spread news on ERP and possible problems in future
 - iii. Improve sustainability
 - iv. Meet every Wednesday on off weeks here on off weeks

- c. Internal Affairs
 - i. Still going through previous bills
 - ii. Meetings opposite Wednesdays at 7 in SGA Office Conference Room
- d. Student Life
 - i. Resolution on people checking suggestion boxes
 - ii. Make more exciting admission letter to increase pride
 - iii. Interested in increasing CPR certification
 - iv. Visiting Houston, incentive on trying to get students to use Q-cards and use Metro
 - v. Meetings opposite Fridays at 1 PM in SGA Office

II. Reports of the Selected Committees

No report

Clause 7: Unfinished Business

- I. UB-52001 *Tier One Learning Abroad*
Still in Committee
- II. Presidential appointment of **Matthew Parrish** to Senator for the College of Social Work
Confirmed

Clause 8: New Business

- I. Presidential Appointment of **Sam Perez** to Associate Justice
Confirmed
- II. Presidential Appointment of **Kim-Briane Lorine** to Senator of College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
Confirmed
- III. Vice-Presidential Appointment of **Gordon Thal** to the Emergency Operations Committee
Confirmed
- IV. Vice-Presidential Appointment of **Cameron Barrett** to the Admissions Review Committee, the Scholarship and Financial Aid Advisory Committee, and the University Hearing Board
Confirmed
- V. Vice-Presidential Appointment of **Garrett Heller** to the Transportation and Parking Advisory Committee
Confirmed
- VI. Vice-Presidential Appointment of **Ahmad Shareef** to the Appellate Board
Confirmed
- VII. Vice-Presidential Appointment of Laurel Rawley to the Scholarship and Financial Aid Advisory Committee (Alternate)
Confirmed
- VIII. Vice-Presidential Appointment of **Rishabh Jain** to the Information Technology Advisory Committee
Confirmed
- IX. Open Nominations for two At-Large Senate Seats
Confirmed Khaja Diddiqui to At-Large Senator

Clause 9: Closing Remarks

- I. Comments and announcements of the officers
[None](#)
- II. Open Forum
- III. Closing call of the Roll
[See Attached](#)

Clause 10: Adjournment

[Meeting adjourned at 10:43 PM](#)