

## **Student Government Meeting Minutes**

### **June 5,2019**

*Main motion;passes*

#### **Clause 1: Call to Order by Presiding Officer**

##### **I. Open call of the roll**

**Present:** Senator Chukwu, Senator Barrett, Senator Lamonte, Senator Abrams,  
Senator Gonzales, Senator Austgen

#### **Clause 2: Recital of the Alma Mater**

#### **Clause 3: Reading and Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes**

*Motion to approve; passes*

#### **Clause 4: Special Report**

##### **I. Two-minute speeches by the Members of the Senate**

- Abrams: Walk in the dark activity is in the process of being planned. It will most likely be at 9pm instead of 4am. I will keep everyone updated.
- Lamonte: Administration & Finance Standing Committee meeting is next Wednesday. I'm going to be very upset if I'm the only one there.
- Barrett: Packed house! We've been working on a solar feasibility report with Bauer. We can expect to see it by Friday June 7th. It will be sent to the president after review.
- Chukwu: IA Meetings will be on every other Friday at 6. Hope to see you guys there.

#### **Clause 5: Executive, Speaker, Court and Justice Department Reports**

##### **I. Report of the President**

- Hey! We have a meeting for the higher wages work group, we will see the progress, establish a timeline and talk about wage compression. We've gone to Coog Carnival twice and we are working on being at more orientations please message me if interested. We are planning to have a system-wide Student Government conference on September 1st from 9am-4pm. Bylaw changes are in the works! Expect a first read at the next meeting. Student Worker Bill of Rights is in the works, will be conducting surveys to garner interest and changes workers specifically want to see. We are conducting surveys for the Green Fund to find out what students would like to be planted and to get the word out. We

spoke with academic advisors to see if we can get a Fall Break the plan is underway. We are working on another food drive, and a bill on Chartwells food recovery. We will be donating to the library to make a reusable bag system.

## **II. Report of the Vice-President**

- We have some committee appointments today! Their resumes and questionnaires were sent to you. We are working with international students to find out how we can make campus more welcoming, and we're going to the International New Student Orientations to share experiences and let students know they're not alone. My department is also working on getting information for the green fund.

## **III. Report of the Speaker**

- We have a small summer Senate please show up! all the committees have been made and scheduled. We are looking to start on college specific tablings for more face to face time with senators and their constituents. Standing rules are going up, but it's only a first read.

## **IV. Report of the Chief of Staff/Deputy**

- We are scheduling the workshops for the Emerging Leaders Committee. We are also at cougar carnival! So far we've had 100 people sign up. August 1st will be the beginnings of the emails to these students and the beginning of the selection process will start soon after.

## **V. Report of the Director of External Affairs**

- Voter registration is happening at every NSO and TSO (working with Mi Familia Vota) We've registered about 40 people so far. We are looking for partners for civic engagement on campus. For the End the Stigma we've received 418 shirt donations, gladly accepting more if anyone has any UH shirts they don't want anymore drop them by the Directors office, and Sterling White, Tammy Chang, and Aidan Potts are now apart of the External Affairs department.

## **VI. Report of the Director of Public Relations**

- Working on UH System wide conference, we're in the planning process. Working on fall tabling sessions with the speaker. Everyone schedule a meeting to take pictures for the website!

## **VII. Report of the Director of Outreach**

- We've been trying to make the CARS website easier to use but we've been told we can't do that, but we're still going to try to offer solutions to the many user problems people have. We are working on a transfer orientation in the fall. We're working on the getting more RSO support for the Green Fund. We've had success at Cougar Carnival so far. People have been having problems with storage on campus, but we've been establishing new connections with orgs to

help out. Weeks of Welcome volunteer committee is being headed by Sen. Abrams.

### **Clause 6:**

**Graduate and Professional Students Committee:** We met introduced\_\_\_\_ ourselves and talked about initiatives. Following up with the grad bill of rights from last year. Volunteering is being encouraged over the summer. We've talked about the food drive with auxillary services. Discussed pushing Columbus Day replacements because of Columbus' controversial nature.

### **Clause 8: New Business**

#### **I. University Committee Appointment (Transportation and Parking Advisory Committee) - Aylin Rodriguez**

*Motion to move to previous question; passes*

*Appointment; passes*

#### **II. University Committee Appointment (Transportation and Parking Advisory Committee) - Suraj Patel**

*Motion to move to previous question; passes*

*Appointment; passes*

#### **III. University Committee Appointment (Food Services Advisory Committee) - Keyli Sandoval**

*Motion to move to previous question; passes*

*Appointment; passes*

#### **IV. University Committee Appointment (Health Center Policy Board) - Sangeetha Ranadeeve**

*Motion to move to previous question; passes*

*Appointment; passes*

#### **V. University Committee Appointment (Health Center Policy Board) - Melissa Flores**

*Motion to move to previous question; passes*

*Appointment; passes*

## **VI. SGAB - 56004 - Standing Rules (First Read)**

- These are just rules on how I will run Senate meetings, includes: speaking, q&a times, how people will be chosen in debates, how long debates can go on, voting (Senators cannot abstain on appointments). Prefacing is not allowed within these standing rules and questions can be struck down if prefacing is a problem.
- Requiring the raising of placards is just to make it easier on the speaker when choosing people, to make choosing people in debates fairer.
- These rules are just for my term, I can make the bill a resolution. - If you really wanted to abstain you could leave the room.
- *Motion to send to IA; passes*

## **Clause 9: Closing Remarks**

### **I. Officers**

- Speaker - Thank you for coming see you at committee meetings!

### **II. Closing Call of the Roll**

**Present:** Senator Chukwu, Senator Barrett, Senator Lamonte, Senator Abrams,  
Senator Gonzales, Senator Austgen