

## **Student Government Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** September 25, 2019

*Main Motion; motion passes*

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

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

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

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

*Motion to approve; motion passes*

### **Clause 4: Special Reports**

#### **I. University Representatives wishing to address the Senate**

1. Reps from Center for Student Involvement addressing the senate about Dance Marathon

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

1. Senator Chukwu - Lab equipment rental, met with Keith to talk about the commuter service (change maps, more awareness)
2. Senator Campbell - Group me for CLASS Senators
3. Senator Morgan - Meeting with Whitney Johnson for transfer students bill that is being worked on, went to student life meeting
4. Senator Saybe - Have an initiative dealing with voter registration integration with other organizations, posting about CLASS fair in group chat for senators
5. Senator Fuentes - Meeting about supporting undocumented students on campus
6. Senator Rodriguez - Met with pre-law society, made a pamphlet for pre-law students
7. Senator Joslin - Working with Cameron on a resolution to change Columbus day to Indigenous People day, social work school putting on a menstrual products drive for Peet's Pantry
8. Senator Mathis - Working on for mental health awareness class

9. **Senator Bryan - Rescheduling system wide conference**
10. **Senator Lewis - Brainstorming about bills for international students, meeting with student that works with university administrators in regard to benefits for students that were in the foster system, working for campaign looking for dates and times for candidate to speak to SGA**
11. **Senator Javed - Met with VP regarding pre-law services and making a website for pre-law students, there is an education panel regarding what is happening in Kashmir**
12. **Senator Jackson- Price - Hoping for a screening of movie, bringing someone from film on campus**

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

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

- FY20 budget going up today and next week it will go up to vote, food drive with athletics went well, student worker bill of rights survey went out and looking for trends in the results, food recovery; waiting for Chartwells report w/ data, letter of support for macca's grant and will check with auxiliary, green fund research is all done and Bryan is trying to market it to different organizations, meeting with provost last week about academic affairs issues such as CAPS and exams not being held outside of exam period, waiting to hear about third party insurance for health center, meeting with athletics and CAPS about sports psychologist, meeting with academic calendar, food drive for parking citation relief is going on, had meeting with UH Health and Wellness about food pantry on campus (passing a bill later when logistics figured out, need SGA volunteers), discussing Chartwells and have meeting with various parties to push through logistics

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

- People going up for committees and vacancies in various committees, hiring people for Cougar Pack, eternal flame area has art donated, student had concerns about Rec Center dress code and will have meeting to discuss, meeting with engineering department to talk about 1st gen students

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

- IA chair is going up, Grad will be open if Cameron gets AG, website has been updated, senate interviews for open senate seats, ballroom is confirmed for 29th, rooms for committees have been booked for the rest of

the semester and schedule has been published, volunteer form for submission of hours for senators, doing bios deadline is October 9th,

**V. Report of the Attorney General**

- Last meeting, appointing AG tonight

**VI. Report of the Chief Election Commissioner**

- Deputy Election Commissioner still being searched for, working with Cameron on initiative regarding election reimbursements

**IX. Report of the Director of External Affairs**

- Voter Conference had to be postponed, working with Pres for volunteering voting registrar training, drafting legislation that will create a civil engagement committee, disability awareness planning is still going on, end the stigma had to be moved due to the weather and moved to World Mental Health day,

**Clause 6: Committee Reports**

**II. Report of the Internal Affairs Committee**

- Had meeting and went over legislative accountability act, approved Cameron's nomination

**III. Report of the Student Life Committee**

- Thanks to Erica for marketing of Haunted House, transitional cheat sheet, working on diversity and inclusion training with Greek life

**V. Graduate and Professional Students Committee**

- Graduate and Professional - Working on Grad bill of rights, Emily's initiative about changing Columbus day to Indigenous People day, menstrual product drive, working on disability awareness initiative, updates on working with american constitution society about getting a holiday for November Elections, mental health course in the law school, food insecurity and homeless student meal plans were implemented and utilized, sidewalk construction done in latter half of term

## **Clause 7: Unfinished Business**

*Motion to move to withdraw SGAR-56004- Solidarity with the People of Kashmir from the agenda; motion passes*

## **Clause 8: New Business**

### **I. University Committee Appointment (LGBTQ Advisory Board)- Francisco Fuentes**

*Motion to move to previous question; motion passes*  
*Appointment Passes*

### **II. University Committee Appointment (Center for Student Media Advisory Committee and Cougar Card Advisory Committee) – Erica O'Brien**

*Motion to move to previous question; motion passes*  
*Appointment Passes*

### **III. University Committee Appointment (Scholarships and Financial Aid Committee) – Daniella Ramos**

*Motion to move to previous question; motion passes*  
*Appointment Passes*

### **IV. University Committee Appointment (Graduate and Professional Students Advisory Committee) – Cameron Barrett**

*Motion to move to previous question; motion passes*  
*Appointment Passes*

### **V. University Committee Appointment (CAPS Advisory Committee)- Asma Mashal**

*Motion to move to previous question; motion passes*  
*Appointment Passes*

**VI. Senate Committee Chair Appointment (Internal Affairs)- Chiamaka Chukwu (In-Person Appointment)**

- Has served as Vice-Chair and Acting Chair since Summer

*Motion to move to previous question; motion passes*  
*Appointment Passes*

**VII. Department of Justice Appointment (Attorney General)- Cameron Barrett (In-Person Appointment)**

- Has participated in three elections
- Author of Election Code Reform

*Motion to move to previous question; motion passes*  
*Appointment Passes*

**IX. SGAB-56008- AG Appointment Clarification Bill (First Read)**

- Lays out procedure for Attorney General Appointment after September 30<sup>th</sup> should all positions within change of succession be vacant

*Motion to sent to IA; motion passes*

**X. SGAB-56009- FY20 Budget Bill (First Read)**

- Budget Bill for Fiscal Year 2020 of the Student Government Association

*Motion to sent to IA; motion passes*

**XI. UB-56004- Let's Tackle Hunger Food Drive (First Read)**

- Establishes food drive in collaboration with University of Houston Athletics

*Motion to sent to AF; motion passes*

**XII. UB-56005-SGA Food Drive with Parking and Transportation Services (First Read)**

- Establishes food drive in collaboration with University of Houston Parking and Services

*Motion to sent to AF; motion passes*

**XIII. SGAB-56007- Legislative Accountability Act (Vote)**

- Creates and enforces Caucus meetings for Senators

*Motion to move to previous question; motion passes*

**Clause 9: Closing Remarks**

**I. Comments and announcements from the officers**

- Senator Chukwu: Looking for Vice-Chair

**II. Open forum**

**III. Closing call of the roll**

**Clause 10: Adjournment**

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Beg.</u>	<u>End</u>	
President	Allison Lawrence	P	P	
Vice President	Maysarah Kazia	P	P	
Speaker	Alexandre Do	P	P	
Chief Justice	Kate Dentler	A	A	
Attorney General	Sakethram Desabhotla	P	P	
Chief Election Commissioner	Bo Harricharran	P	P	
Chief of Staff	Vi Pham	A	A	
Deputy Chief of Staff	Tania Hameed	A	A	
Director of External Affairs	Jessica Hulett	P	P	
Director of Public Relations	Erica O'Brien	A	A	
Director of Outreach	Bryan Medrano	A	A	
Senators				<u>LAA</u>
Undergraduate at Large	Kaden Lewis	P	P	N
	Leonard Chambers	A	A	
	Ed Gonzales	A	A	
	Elizabeth Pham	P	P	Y
	Tomas Bryan	P	P	N
	Eduardo Abrams	A	A	Y
Graduate at Large	Cameron Barrett	A	P	Y
Bauer	Daniella Ramos	A	A	Y
	Katherine Doan	A	A	
	Jack Morgan	P	P	Y
College of Education	Queen <u>Epomba</u>	A	A	
College of Engineering	Quang Vo	A	A	

College of Law	Alexys Mathis	P	P	Y
College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences	Aidan Potts	A	A	Y
	Wasiq Javed	P	P	N
	Paulina Saybe	P	P	Y
	Francisco Fuentes	P	P	Y
	Kaitlyn Austgen	A	P	Y
	Randolph Campbell	P	P	
	Aylin Rodriguez	P	P	Y
College of Natural Science & Mathematics	Christina Dias	P	P	Y
	Chiamaka Chukwu	P	P	Y
	Aneesha Krothapalli	A	A	
	Jasmine Khademakbari	A	A	Y
Graduate College of Social Work	Emily Joslin	P	P	Y
College of Technology	Bethany Jackson-Price	A	P	Y
	Alexander Duvall	P	P	Y
	Calvin Williams	P	P	
Honors College	Chirag Mistry	A	A	