UNIVERSITY of HOUSTON STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Minutes as Recorded By: Bruno Ugaz, Clerk of Senate UC North Senate Chamber, 7:30 PM Wednesday October 1<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Clause 1: Call to Order by the presiding officer I. Opening call of the roll Called to order 1932

Clause 2: Recital of the Alma Mater

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

No changes made.

## Clause 4: Special Reports

- I. University Representatives wishing to address the senate None present.
- II. Students wishing to address the Senate None present.
- III. Two-minute speeches by the Members of the Senate Senator Fischer: Greetings to emerging leaders, encourage all to go to game. Senator Chowdhury: Work with city and businesses to represent UH in merchandise and advertising. Senator Lutomski: Wendy Davis will be on campus on 2 Oct at 9AM

# **Clause 5: Executive and Speaker Reports**

I. Report of the President

Football game on 2 October against UCF; parking will be difficult, Division of A&F has been working on a plan. Stadium garage will close at midnight prior. Toyota Center and Minute Maid parking is available for students and spectators. Cub Camp should be beginning Summer 2015, apply to open positions. Election commission met first time today, Senator Alsbrooks is the chair. Statistically students who live on campus perform better than those who do not.

II. Report of the Vice President Not present (class).

## III. Report of the Chief of Staff

Emerging Leaders have been selected, some are present in the audience. Will be distributing them among the SGA organization soon. Positions are still open on Get Involved, continue to check. Come to SGA tailgate and volunteer, always need help. Some budget amendments are proposed.

- IV. Report of the Director of Finance New budget amendment will be presented in New Business.
- V. Report of the Director of Public Affairs Nothing to report.
- VI. Report of the Director of External Affairs Not present
- VII. Report of the Attorney General First meeting today to review election code

#### VIII. Report of the Speaker

Assist in volunteer opportunities when possible. New decorum rules: no laptops or cell phones when meeting begins until Old/New Business. Attendance policy will be enforced, be aware of your absences. Senator of the Month: Senator Pooja Magadi

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### **Clause 6: Committee Reports**

- I. Reports of the Standing Committees
  - a. Academic Affairs Game is interfering with parking, so some professors have cancelled class. Faculty Senate Undergrad Council meeting provided feedback for advising.
  - b. University Administration & Finance Meeting next Tuesday at 5:30PM
  - c. Internal Affairs Senator James Lee has step down as IA chair and as CLASS Senator, Senator Will Fischer is acting interim IA chair.
  - d. Student Life Next meeting is next Friday at 6PM (10 Oct). Greek life wants a greek week. Weekly initiatives to be established in SL. Housing bill has been finalized.
- II. Reports of the Select Committees

### **Clause 7:** Unfinished Business

- I. SGAB-51003 *Election Reform and Transparency Act* (Pending Committee Review) Remain in committee.
- II. UB-51004 *Tier One Freshman Housing Act* (Pending Committee Review) Moderated caucus for 10 minutes. Called to question. Measure passes 24 Aye, 1 Nay.
- III. SGAB-51005 Fiscal Policies and Procedures Reform Act (Pending Committee Review) Remaining in committee.

## Clause 8: New Business

- I. Vice Presidential Appointment of **Jordan Coleman** to <u>Activities Funding Board</u> Confirmed by Senate.
- II. Vice Presidential Appointment of Andrea Segovia to <u>AD Bruce Religion Center Policy Board</u> Confirmed by Senate.
- III. Vice Presidential Appointment of **Robert Smallwood** to <u>Substance Abuse Prevention and Education</u> <u>Committee</u>

Confirmed by Senate

- IV. Vice Presidential Appointment of **Angela Kao** to <u>Appellate Board</u> Confirmed by Senate
- V. Vice Presidential Appointment of Angela Kao to University Hearing Board Confirmed by Senate
- VI. Vice Presidential Appointment of **Ryan Smith** to <u>University Hearing Board</u> Confirmed by Senate
- VII. Vice Presidential Appointment of Clement Agho-Otoghile to <u>Transportation and Parking Advisory</u> <u>Committee</u>

Not Present, postponed until next meeting.

- VIII. Presidential Appointment of Alan Garza to <u>Student Fees Advisory Committee</u> Confirmed by Senate
- IX. SGAR-51004 *Writing Center Transparency* (First Reading) Read and sent to Academic Affairs committee.
- X. Budget Amendment Amendment proposed that allocated funds that were not previously allocated for. Amendment called to question. Amendment adopted unanimously by Senate.

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# **Clause 9: Closing Remarks**

- I. Comments and announcements of the officers Andrea Segovia – will be handling Improve UH, please see her for questions and involvement.
- II. Open Forum
- III. Closing call of the roll

Clause 10: Adjournment Adjourned 2105

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Position	Name		
		10/1/2014(Beg)	10/1/2014(End)
Student Body President	Charles Haston	Р	Р
Student Body Vice President	Erica Tat	Α	Р
Chief of Staff	Leo Mata	Р	Р
Director of External Affairs	Marcus Smith	Р	Р
Director of Public Relations	Adrian Castillo	Р	Р
Director of Finance	Adil Rajabali	Р	Р
Attorney General	Clarita Montant	Р	Р
Speaker of the Senate	Shaun Smith	Р	Р
Speaker Pro-Tempore	Sebastian Agudelo	N/A	N/A
Sergeant-At-Arms	Sterling Dodd	Р	Р
Clerk of the Senate	Bruno Ugaz	Р	Р
Senator- Undergraduate At-Large, Seat #1	Sebastian Agudelo	Р	Р
Senator- Undergraduate At-Large, Seat #2	Chelsea Moses	А	Р
Senator- Undergraduate At-Large, Seat #3	Alan Garza	Р	Р
Senator- Undergraduate At-Large, Seat #4	Hugo Salinas	Р	Р
Senator- Graduate At-Large, Seat #1	Varun Sreenivas	Р	Р
Senator- Graduate At-Large, Seat #2	Nathan Alsbrooks	Р	Р
Senator- Hines College of Architecture	Issam Kadiwala	Р	Р
Senator- Bauer College of Business	Sunil Motwani	E	E
Senator- Bauer College of Business	John Fields	Р	Р
Senator- Bauer College of Business	Marcus Pourreau	Р	Р
Senator- Bauer College of Business	Pooja Magadi	Р	Р
Senator- College of Education	Geordie Daniel	E	E
Senator- College of Education	Vacant		
Senator- Cullen College of Engineering	Tanzeem Chowdhury	Р	Р
Senator- Cullen College of Engineering	Clint Kirchhoff	Р	Р
Senator- Cullen College of Engineering	Nelson Raymond-Grajales	Р	Р
Senator- The Honors College	Canyon Sanford	Р	Р
Senator- Hilton College of Hotel & Restaurant Management	Ashley Davis-Nelson	N/A	N/A
Senator- College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences	Sarah Aimad	Р	Р
Senator- College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences	Stephanie Bailey	E	E
Senator- College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences	Will Fischer	Р	Р
Senator- College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences	Matthew Ramirez	Р	Р
Senator- College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences	Vacant	N/A	N/A
Senator- College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences	Tatiana Lutomski	Р	Р
Senator- College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences	Jessie Smith	E	E
Senator- College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences	Clement Agho-Otoghile	E	E
Senator- College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics	Louis Adam	A	Р
Senator- College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics	Enrique Martinez	Р	Р
Senator- College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics	Ahren Esquenazi	A	Р
Senator- College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics	Trent Fuller	Р	Р
Senator- College of Technology	Max Ballands	Р	Р
Senator- College of Technology	Nestor Garcia	E	E
Senator- College of Technology	Brianna Mills	E	E
Senator- UH Law Center	Sepi Zimmer	Р	Р
Senator- College of Optometry	VACANT		
Senator- College of Pharmacy	Lauren Nicole Tolat	Р	Р
Senator- Graduate College of Social Work	VACANT		