Student Government Meeting Minutes

<u>June 26,2019</u>

Main motion;passes

Clause 1: Call to Order by Presiding Officer

I. Open call of the roll

See role sheet

Clause 2: Recital of the Alma Mater

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

Motion to approve;passes

Quorum Call; passes

Clause 4: Special Reports

- I. Two-minute speeches by the Members of the Senate
- Senator Abrams: We are still working on the walk in the dark, just waiting for administrator update.

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

I. Report of the President

Minimum wage is now \$8 for students on campus. Moving forward with higher wages and focusing on the student worker experience on the bill of rights. Administration and Finance leaders have been chosen. We have been at Cougar Carnival and UH Wide meeting is happening in September we want as many people as possible. We are looking to get more support for the Green Fund. We have had talks and are moving forward in the insurance initiative. We will be meeting with Fall Calendar Committee to discuss Fall Break. We had our first food drive meeting and it went very well. We are working with the library for a reusable bag system. Bylaw changes are in the works!

II. Report of the Vice-President

- Working with facilities, preparing designs for a zen garden. Looking for a new director of AD Bruce Committee. Looking for more applicants

III. Report of the Speaker

- Bylaw changes and standing rules are going up today, slight changes from senator input. Working on another bill will send out later for feedback. We are also working on Senator tabling events, and looking in grading scale.

IV. Report of the Chief Justice

- Looking to fill vacancies on the court, and more alternate justices. There are currently no Alternate Justices.

V. Report of the Attorney General

- Been working on getting a new deputy attorney general. Adding a test to the application. Discussing bylaw updates for the Department of Justice. I have a bill going up later today, and I look forward to talking about it.

VI. Report of the Chief of Staff

- We are working at Coog Carnival we've had over 200 people show interest in the emerging leaders. We went to Pride, had fun. Tomorrow Fox 26 will have students on their morning show.

VII. Report of the Deputy Chief of Staff

- The EL's themselves are apart of the committee and we have exec and senates on the planning committee. HPV awareness campaign will be having meetings this and next week.

VIII. Report of the Director of External Affairs

 Been doing voter registration at every single orientation, we've registered 114 students to vote. Secured relationships with different voter registrations.
Collected 418 shirts for End the Stigma. Disability awareness planning will start soon. Working on student discounts on local businesses and restaurants.

IX. Report of the Director of Public Relations

Working on tabling and making schedules for the senators and their colleges.
Marketing pieces are in the works. We're working to get more information on the UH Wide meeting. Also get pictures in if you haven't.

X. Report of the Director of Outreach

- Began working on initiatives with orgs to get their initiatives going and more representation for orgs. If you'd like to work on initiatives with orgs I'm here. I'm also working on the tabling, and I'm up for a committee today.

Clause 8: New Business

I.University Committee Appointment (Hearing Board) – Bryan Medrano

- I've had experience in determining the fate of students in different positions, I want to be on the hearing board because I want students to feel that they are judged fairly by their peers.

Motion to move to previous question;passes

Appointment;passes

II. Counseling and Psychological Services Advisory Committee - Bryan Medrano

Motion to move to previous question;passes

appointment;passes

II. UB-55001 - Chartwells(UH Dining Services) Food Recovery Policy (First Read)

- We have a sustainability goal and we have an issue with having no data about the food recovery Chartwells is doing. This bill is to hold Chartwells accountable for food recovery and increase transparency with students.
 - We just want to make sure everyone understands how sustainable Chartwells is. The main goal of this bill is Chartwells administering data. This is something that will be incorporated into their roles.

Motion to send this to A&F;passes

III. SGAB-56005 - Bylaw Updates (First Read)

- Changing wording from will to must, so that the wording is consistent with the supreme court case. We defined good standing, academic and disciplinary. Defined very specific portions of the bylaws for the speaker election and presiding officers. Defining procedure of confirmations. Removed IMLD \$1000 set aside. Mandating committee times.
 - The AG bylaw change is only for self appointments.
 - Automatic removal for members under GPA requirements.

Motion to send this to IA;passes

IV. SGAB-55006 - The Second Electoral Justice and Fairness Bill (First Read)

- This bill is to increase transparency of candidates in the election and the department of justice. Multiple ban infractions can now lead to disqualification whereas before they could not.
 - The ban is for individuals and not full parties, especially for repeat individuals.

Motion to send this to IA;passes

V. SGAB-56004 - Standing Rules (Second Read)

- This is a temporary document for how the speaker will run Senate meetings in the 56th administration. Placards are now precedent.

Motion to send to IA;passes

Clause 9: Closing Remarks

- I. Comments and announcements from the officers
 - Chief Justice Dentler: Senators please think about passing election code and bylaw changes during the Summer Senate.

- **President Lawrence:** SFAC applications are up! Please apply! We have a mock schedule for those concerned with potential scheduling conflicts during the semester.
- **Attorney General Sakethram:** I will put my election code bill in the chats to take a poll of those who mind passing election legislation in the summer.
- II. Closing call of the roll

See role sheet

Clause 10: Adjournment

| Position | Name | <u>Beg.</u> | <u>End</u> |
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| President | Allison Lawrence | Р | Р |
| Vice President | Maysarah Kazia | Р | Р |
| Speaker | Alexandre Do | Р | Р |
| Chief Justice | Kate Dentler | Р | Р |
| Attorney General | Sakethram Desabhotla | Р | Р |
| Chief Election Commissioner | Bo Harricharran | A | A |
| Chief of Staff | Vi Pham | Р | Р |
| Deputy Chief of Staff | Tania Hameed | Р | Р |
| Director of External Affairs | Jessica Hulett | Р | Р |
| Director of Public Relations | Erica O'Brien | Р | Р |
| Director of Outreach | Bryan Medrano | Р | Р |
| Summer Senators | | | |
| Graduate At Large | Cameron Barrett | Р | Р |
| Undergraduate At Large | Eduardo Abrams | Р | Р |
| Undergraduate At Large | Ed Gonzales | Р | Р |
| Undergraduate At Large | Leonard Chambers | A | Р |
| College of Technology | Christopher Lamonte | A | A |
| College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics | Chiamaka Chukwu | P | Р |
| College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics | Jasmine Khademakbari | A | Р |
| College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences | Kaitlyn Austgen | A | A |
| College of Engineering | Quang Vo | A | A |
| College of Engineering | Mikaylee Strohm | A | A |