Meeting Minutes
Thursday, September 4, 2014

I. Call to order/ Guest Welcome: Executive Vice-President Uzamere

II. Roll call: Senate Clerk Grant

III. VP Uzamere Minutes

- Addresses attire, attendance
- Committee sign ups—change in this year, student nominees and then schedule will be set. All committees are on a sign up sheet to be passed around. 1 is required, 2 is encouraged.
- Voting next week on President Pro Tempore and Head Senator
- Senator of the Week- new initiative to build morale, Week of 9/4/14 is Senator Gregory LaFortune of Byrdine F. Lewis School of Nursing and Health Professions

IV. Officer Reports

   a. Academic Affairs: Vice President Parra

      LAST WEEK
      - Created library fee last year in order to extend hours, new hours are 7:30 am to 2 am, submitted proposal to change to 7 am to 2 am, and 7 am to 3 am during finals. Will start when money kicks in.
      - Committee meetings will be on Thursdays, decided at today's meeting.
      - Met with Parker Hendricks to discuss increasing school spirit. Discussed Athletic Partnership Act

      THIS WEEK
      - Met with Chancellor Huckabee to discuss scholarships previously turned down by Dr. Stout
      - Met with Walter Massey to discuss funding for scholarship fund, reaches out to alum. Goal of $40,000

   b. Budget and Finance: Vice President Sams -- ABSENT

   c. Public Relations: Vice President Bradley

      LAST WEEK
      - Discussed two new initiatives with Panther Bucket List, list of things we want students to do in time at Georgia State
      - On Wednesdays We Wear Blue
      - Gave out mugs at Panther Prowl; free at the SGA office allows 1.00 refills in dining halls (1.50 for coffee)

      THIS WEEK
      - Committee met today
• Met with Chancellor Huckabee
• Attended Student Career fair
• Make up photo shoot; date TBA
• met with Mike about website update, more user friendly

NEXT WEEK
• Email list of all students from different colleges to get senators connected to students they represent

Senator Thomas asks about locations for mug refills, to be refilled only at Sodexo locations

d. **Student Life: Vice President Paige**

LAST WEEK-
• Approved $275 co-sponsorship with Christian organization, originally $500 ask
• Met with Brown about student wide community service project, canned goods
• SGA bucket list, talked to housing directors
• September 23rd—SGA Spirit Plaza, collaborating with Spotlight, also homecoming announcement

NEXT WEEK-
• Reviewing outstanding cosponsorships

e. **Student Services: Vice President Mayfield**

LAST WEEK-
• Spoke with Advisor Boyd about 1st annual safety walk, safety is a concern on campus
• Partnering with dining services about creating commuter meal plan/redoing current meal plan

THIS WEEK
• Working with VP Bradley about Service of the Month
• Met with Chancellor Huckabee

NEXT WEEK
• No committee meeting this week, one will be next week
• Discussing gender neutral bathrooms
• Calendar of events

V. **New Business**

a. **Legislation presented by VP Parra**

i. **A resolution to make available scantrons and blue books at the library during finals**

Point of information “will this increase cost of testing materials?” by Senator Poigioli

VP Parra answers “No”

Motion to amend by Senator Andriate

Seconded by Senator Smith

VP Parra motions to amend section 2 from “at the library north lobby” to “wherever is convenient determined by library staff”
VP Parra motions to amend section 6 after 5:15 pm
VP Parra motions to amend section 7 to “will be restocked daily by SGA Volunteers”
Senator Evans approves
Motion to vote by Senator Smith
Seconded by Senator Brighthart
Motion passes unanimously

ii. A bill to create the commuter affairs subcommittee
Senator Poigiolli motions to amend that the committee will vote to see who heads committee as opposed to the VP of Student Services appointing and committee confirming
VP Mayfield motions to discuss,
Seconded by Senator Smith
Would like to discuss with committee as this falls under her committee
Cannot table until amendment is passed
Senator LaFortune asks instead of the committee nominating, can the VP of Student Services nominate and committee vote on?
Senator Poigili motions to change Section 4 to student services committee should nominate a member to head subcommittee as opposed to VP of Student Services
Motion does not pass
Senator LaFortune motions to make a friendly amendment to a committee nomination, then a VP of Student Services nominates, then committee members vote on
Seconded by Poigoilli
Motion to vote Senator LaFortune
Motion passes
VP Parra makes a point of clarification to discuss the importance of this committee, encourages amendments
Senator Thomas motions to table discussion until next meeting
Seconded by Senator Smith
Motion to table the bill passes

iii. A resolution to create partnership with athletics and student organizations to increase basketball games attendance and school spirit
Point of clarification from VP Parra states bill further is amended that Senator Briana Harris is added to Sponsors
Senator Evans confirms
Senator Scales motions to remove section seven “Chartered organization with the biggest membership should be given priority.”
Parra motions for Scales to explain
Senator Scales states that smaller organizations need the opportunity, too
Senator Andriate motions that the organizations must apply to SGA, and assigned committee decides who gets selected
VP Parra points out that this makes section 6 obsolete
Senator Andriate motions to withdraw amendment
VP Paige motions to amend to have criteria for organizations to be eligible to host basketball games
Senator Scales seconds
Senator Imonugo asks if it is multiple organizations or just one
President Henson clarifies that it is just one
Senator Thomas point of discussion, perhaps having a draw for selection
Senator Scales wants to move forward with previous proposal
Senator Dixon point of clarification about volunteers from organization, only a select amount should be able to attend and volunteer
President Henson states that it is not related to current discussion, may make motion after current discussion
Senator Poigioli with a point of information, for smaller organizations it will be harder to complete criteria, motions to change to events or programs hosted as opposed to based purely on membership
VP Paige clarifies that criteria will only give you precedence, but other organizations will still have the same opportunity
Senator Evans with a friendly amendment to not allow organizations to have game headline two consecutive years
Senator Smith seconds
Senator Scales allows
VP Parra clarifies that this will eventually expand ideally
Senator Jones motions to vote
VP Paige seconds
Motion passes
Senator Poigioli motions to amend section 7 that senate have a say in what gets selected
President Henson states that new section should be created to achieve this (section 9)
Senator Brightharp asks when basketball season starts
Advisor Boyd says Nov. 15
VP Paige motions to vote
Senator Andretti seconds
16 in favor
10 opposed
11 abstaining
Motion does not pass
Senator Brightharp motions to commit to student life committee
Seconded by senator smith
Motion passes

b. New business
i. Senator LaFortune discusses smoke free committee, serves as head of committee, ready to begin meeting, any interested senators or volunteers. Wants to observe what could be better pertaining to smoking on campus

Senator Moss asks about past amendment

President Henson says it has already been tabled, cannot discuss

ii. Senator Brighthart discussing Panther Mentorship program, applies to senate as well as guests. Working with advisement, spoke with Cohen, have committed advisors, now we need senators and mentors and mentees.

Senator Moss motions to adjourn meeting,

President Henson declines

VI. President’s Minutes

Thanks to volunteers, Anyone working on bills, good timing, know there are lots of them, keep up with emails

Athletics-- will be a coke truck printing custom cans from 12-5 tomorrow (9/4) at sports arena

Sept. 6 game there will be gift cards to students who come in game

Need freshmen and transfers liaison spots, applications are open. 14 freshman applications currently turned in

When talking with Chancelor, the most current status about WRAS, is still standing, there will be no changes made in the near future, speak with Lanier

Carly Smith- Swanson, new administrative coordinator for SGA

Senator Thomas motions to adjourn meeting

Senator Dixon seconds

Meeting adjourned