I. Call to Order at 7:24 President Corey Gray at 7:24p.m.

II. Opening Call of the Roll / Determination of Quorum: Senate Clerk – Olivia Abie: absent SJB Bosbyshell, Senator Lloyd, Perdue, Vining. Quorum achieved- (31 out of 34)

III. Reading & Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting

Senator Siemer move to vote on the approval of the minutes of August 12th University-Wide meeting, seconded by Senator Cruz-Hernandez meeting. The motion passed with 28 yay, 0 nay, 1 abs.

IV. Special Reports

a. Dr. Douglass Covey, Vice President for Student Affairs

- GSU is a place of unusual dynamism, it has changed so quickly, and is much more equipped. Rapped up fiscal year with record breaking for the university in terms of money raised for the foundation, biggest year ever in terms of annual giving. Far ahead on schedule for burning bright campaign with the tremendous support from the community, alumni and corporate partners.

- A year characterized by growth for the university, GSU has a Strong year of enrollment growth, with the largest number of students for freshmen class on the Atlanta campus. Strong growth for first year students on the perimeter campuses as well, and expecting strong title I figure enrollment going forward.

- Breaking year for the university in terms of Research activities. One of the things that characterize GSU, also is the fact that in addition to our growth, enrollment, and scientific activities, we also have attained physical environment of the campus. The Atlanta campus a week ago opened Georgia state stadium for the first game.

- Atlanta campus deeply enacted by some physical development that will begin to take shape this year late next spring. Around mid-May will begin work on the demolition of the Courtland street bridge, located between student center and library plaza, it will have dramatic impact on how people get around. Will construct new bridge, safer and attractive.

- By the end of the calendar year, Kell Hall will be demolished, which is one of the big blocks that has to fall in order for us to achieve the university’s master’s plan for its physical development on the Atlanta campus, to create an articulating spine through the center of the campus, a green space that will carry students and pedestrians across the library plaza.
Dr. Covey continued...

- Strategic plans have been renewed, and it’s time to revamp master plan for the physically setting of the campus. Working on master planning for the perimeter campuses as well.
- Policies wise, first year that we will be working with the campus carry legislation. So far there hasn’t been any issues.
- Fees anticipated going into the future, mandatory student fees will not be raised, but tuition fees are yet to be established.

b. Dr. James Ainsworth, Chair of University Senate’s Cultural Diversity Committee

- Dr. Ainsworth couldn’t attend meeting but sent a very detailed explanation of the resolution to develop strategies to address limited faculty diversity. The presentation is available at https://youtu.be/rxdxzAbA5jM.

V. Executive Cabinet Reports

a. Communication Director – Sara Moreno

- Planning to reach out to other campuses on the upcoming weeks, working to have visibility on the other campuses, will visit once a month to talk about the things each SGA campus has going on, and also to advertise and promote on social media their events.
- Atlanta campus, meeting with one of the representatives to collaborate for Constitution Day, Next committee meeting will work to create trivia with questions about the constitution, so they can present that.
- Director Moreno thanked everyone who tabled for her past events, and asked SGA officers to please show up if they signed up to table an event.
- Working with her committee on the story board for a video that highlights SGA, and all of the others campus as well. Planning for the fall, and will be put in action during the spring semester.
- Working with her committee to put on educational programs to motivate people to write legislations for DACA.

b. Report of the Alpharetta campus – EVP Fredrick Severtson

- All executive and senator vacancies have been filled, some are still on the HR process, working to have everyone ready by next Friday for their first senate meeting.
- Working on writing legislations for recognition for student government, put the agenda for the committee, promote people who are joint enrollment or people who do not meet the qualifications to be eligible SGA officers to still be part of the committee to work their way in.
- Working on legislation to improve the structure of the Alpharetta campus in terms of the students’ safety, also the construction of the science building will be ready by the spring semester.
   - Approached by a student, named Miranda Marketo, for an initiative to receive things for hurricane Harvey, she wants to make this initiative university wide. She wants to do a fundraising and raise things that are specific to hygiene, for example toothbrushes, toiletries and make packages for males and females. She has a connection with Ms. Ernestine, who is the director of the Earnest Recovery Center in Henry Co. who is planning by the end of October to bring all these items down there. The idea is for this project to be run by SGA, idea of expanding this project.
   - Vacancy committee is still working on filling some vacancies
   - Working on an Initiative for a President’s brunch with Senator Akinola-King (Atlanta campus), brunch to inform presidents on what the university has to offer to the organizations, working on a pamphlet with sheets that explains everything that’s available for campus organization. If any campus is interested to expand this initiative to their respective campuses they can talk to him about it.
     Scheduled for Friday, September 15th

d. Report of the Clarkston campus - EVP Christin Smith
   - Filling roles for senators’ positions, they will be filled by the end of September, three students interest in relations positions as well as spirit and sustainability, planning on holding interviews for next week, stressing to tell students even if they don’t get chosen for the position to join the respective committees in which they are interested in
   - Past week had a collaborative event with the Multicultural center and PAC for the welcome week. Did a conductive survey (tabling about want they want to see on campus) in which the results for better being evaluated more than 313 students.

 e. Report of the Decatur campus - EVP Briana Stanley
   - Building a survey that will be launched on October
   - Hosted Welcome day, participated on involvement fair on campus
   - Held one interview for senator position
   - Creating a collision with the Decatur Women Center for domestic abuse month.
   - Invited public safety representative to their first SGA meeting to go over and discuss campus carry law.
   - Panthers for peace day on September 21st
   - Voter registration day on September 26th: working with the Andrew Goodman foundation, will have a voter registration drive.
   - Met with a student who is concern about bringing electrical car chargers on Decatur campus.
   - About to have a full senate
   - Coffee corner on August 29th, speaker was lieutenant Harvey from public safety, the topic was about campus carry bill. Did a spot survey after the event, and more than 40 students completed it. Results show that students were very satisfied but they would like more activities.
   - Had a Blood drive through at Dunwoody campus, more than 45 donors, 36 donate, but 9 differ.
   - Had earn your paws event on august 22nd and august 23rd.
   - On sept.11 from 8am.2p.m. Dunwoody SGA will be going to open hands Atlanta, and it is open to everybody.
   - On September 11th from 4pm-6:45pm will have a remembrance service in room NB-2100, open to every student, faculty, and staff member that has been affected by any terrorism attack.
   - Has recruited more than 28 committee members, they are all freshmen, working on training these students since they are the future of SGA.
   - Next Coffee Corner will be September 27th, topic of discussion will be self-esteem and fighting depression.

g. **Report of the Newton campus - Vacant**

VI. **University Senate Committee Reports**
   a. **Cultural Diversity Committee** - Senator Watson: discussed faculty diversity, and gender identity for a more inclusive campus

VII. **Old Business**
   a. **University-Wide Senate Committee Appointments**

   Academic Programs: Academic Affairs Chair-ATL Siemer and EVP Dunwoody Calixte  
   Administrative Council: SGA President Gray  
   Admissions and Standards: Student Services Chair ATL Cruz Hernandez, Senator Burell  
   Athletics: Senator Patton, Contreras-Murillo, Samuelsen and White  
   Budget committee: Finance Director May, Senator Perdue  
   Commencement: Senator Patterson, Student Services Chair ATL Cruz Hernandez, Senator Arif  
   Cultural Diversity Committee: Grad Senator Ari Jones, Grad Senator Nu-Ni Lee, Senator Watson  
   II&T: Senator Patton and Senator Barry  
   FACP: SGA President Gray  
   Library: Senator Curry, Aleman, Libam  
   Planning and Development Committee: Senator Patterson, SJB Liaison Bosbyshell, Senator Wright  
   Research: Senator Vining  
   Student Discipline: Senator Aibangbee, Osayi  
   Student Life Committee: Student Life Chair King, Senator Barry, Osilaja, Johnathan Jones, Wright, Netere, Finance Director Oundo, Decatur Speaker of the Senate Williams.  
   Sustainability: Senator Lloyd, Aleman, EVP Smith.  
   University Senate Committee: SGA President Gray.
VIII. New Business

a. Swearing in of new Senators and Appointees-NONE

b. 2017-2018 Calendar Review and Approval
   - Senator Arif move to table the review and approval of the 2017-2018 Calendar to the next University Wide Senate meeting, seconded by Senator Patterson. All in favor, motion passes.

c. 88-UWB-10: Bill to Amend the Role of SJB in SGA
   Point of information Senator Siemer: Meeting with SJB, went through bylaws to update any information now that the consolidation of Georgia State University and Georgia Perimeter College altered the structure of the Student Judicial Board. The major changes are that:
   - Perimeter chief justice can appoint any of the associative chief justices to serve on the Perimeter Campuses Executives Councils (PCEC), so that the same chief justice doesn’t have to go to every Perimeter campus to be on the Exec.
   - Charges of impeachment shall be submitted to the Chief Justice presiding over that campus.
   - Appeals to decisions made by the presidential election commission shall be made to SJB with both chief justices and an appointed Associative Chief Justice from a campus with without a presidential candidate.
   - Senator Samuelson move to vote on the amendment.
   - The bill to amend the role of SJB in SGA passed with 28 yay, 0 nay, and 0 abs.

d. 88-UWSR-01: Support Resolution to Support Faculty Diversity at GSU
   Point of information Senator Siemer (Atlanta campus):
   - Recruitment: Implicit biased training. People that are hiring faculty to receive that training.
   - Retention: Exit interviews, individual units and progress to encourage accountability, climate data be periodically gathered.
   - SGA resolution is in support of the resolution by Dr. Ainsworth, which will be voted on October 5th Committee University Senate meeting.
   - Senator Samuelson (Atlanta campus) moved to discuss the resolution for 5 minutes, seconded by Senator Barry.
   - Senator Samuelson call the question. All in favor, motion passes.
   - The support resolution to Support Faculty Diversity at GSU passed with 31 in favor, 0 nay, 1 abstention.

IX. President’s Report, Corey Gray

- President Gray informed that he travelled to 4 out of 5 campuses, will travel to Newton soon to interview the EVP candidate. He was there as a student instead as SGA President to feel what it’s like to be a student.
- He attended an Administrative Council meeting yesterday, presentation on SGA, accomplishment of last year, and focus for this year. It was a well-received presentation.
- He will be speaking at the President’s Brunch informing the President’s about what SGA is accomplishing this year and his perception on the role of President.
- DACA students program receded. SGA will move forward supporting and advocating on behalf of DACA students at every level. We want to make sure those students are still protected and part of the campus.
- Informed everyone to be on the lookout on the Newsletter toward the end of September.
- Will be attending to the Board of regions meeting will be September 13th.
- Orgsync page, in the process of inputting all enrolled students who pay student fees on the SGA page.
- Corey Chats, once a month video to answer all student body questions, and general question about University wide. He is in communication with the signal and would like to begin these videos in October.
- If any officers or members of SGA want to be put on the agenda they can let him know at least two weeks before the senate meeting will be held.

[Point of information Mr. Beckwith: Updating the SGA website with the Open meeting act. The Georgia law regarding public meeting by SGA, the expectations is that the agendas must be posted a week before the meeting, which is longer that what it is on the bylaws. The Draft minutes must be posted immediately after the meeting, and the final minutes must be posted after they have been approved by the senate at the next meeting. It is important to look at the legislations to change expectations that the agendas must be send to all campus senate, and standing committees of SGA, meeting minutes must also be posted on the SGA website. So that any student can make themselves aware of what’s happening in an organization that they fund essentially.]

- The University-Wide Senator of the month is Alana Burrell from the Clarkston Campus. She has been proactive in all the meetings. She brought the point that it will be easier for senators to attend University Wide meetings if they were conducted in different campus, so she started the Mobility Act this summer, sponsored the Faculty Diversity initiative. She’s been selected to attend NASA Community College aerospace scholar program in Florida this fall, where she will be mentored by NASA engineers. Senator Burrell will be featured on SGA Instagram and social media, and will receive a special prize.

X. Closing Remarks
   a. Closing Call of the Roll, Senate Clerk: absent → SJB Bosbyshell, Senator Lloyd, Perdue, Vining. Quorum achieved- (31 out of 34)

XI. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by Senator Samuelson, seconded by Senator Arif at 9:30p.m.