University-Wide Senate Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 3, 2018
Atlanta Campus, SC East Ballroom; 4:15 PM

I. Call to Order: President Franklin Patterson at 4:50PM

II. Opening Call of the Roll / Determination of Quorum: Senate Clerk – Olivia Abie
Absent: Communications Director Lazare, Senator Maddali, Mihan, Gomez
Quorum achieved with 29 presently senators out of 32

III. Reading & Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting on March 29, 2018
Senator Siemer moved to table the minutes of the previous meeting to the next University-Wide meeting
seconded by Senator G. Wright. The motion passed with 22 in favor, 0 against, 1 abstention

IV. Special Reports
a. University Representatives wishing to address the Senate
b. Student Forum- Students wishing to address the Senate
c. Two-minute long reports by members of the Senate
   Senator Siemer: There’s current software that allows students to get their preferred name on the roster

V. Special Orders(Appointments/Charters)
a. Confirmation of appointments/nominations to the legislative branch
b. Confirmation of appointments to the executive branch
c. Formation of Ad Hoc Committees
   i. 89-USO-FC-01-Special Order to form a Bylaw Review Committee
      - This is an ad hoc committee that is formed every year. Their responsibilities are to review current
        bylaws, change anything, and update it, for example the accountability system. The Ad hoc
        committee is now taking volunteers to sit on it, they will be meeting during the summer, early as
        possible
        - Speaker FYE, EVP Smith, Senator Nicholson, Siemer, Munoz, Gregory Wright, Garcia-Velazquez,
          Bivins, Francis, Brinza, Muhammad, Speaker Allen and advisors Sutton, Beckwith, and Peters
          volunteered to serve for this committee.
        - Senator Siemer moved to vote on the special order to form a Bylaw Review Committee, seconded
          by Senator G Wright. The bill passed with 24 in favor, 1 against, 0 abstention

d. Bills of Impeachment-None

e. Questions for a referendum-None
VI. Executive Cabinet Reports
   a. Alpharetta Campus- Alexis Seymour, EVP-None
   b. Atlanta Campus- Ayesha Iqbal, EVP-None
   c. Clarkston Campus- Christian Smith, EVP
      - There’s an honors society for students that are interested to join
      - Clarkston campus is trying to fill our vacant positions. She’s open to receive suggestions for
        methods of recruitment.
   d. Decatur Campus- Shon White, EVP-None
   e. Dunwoody Campus- Attush Dhakal, EVP-None
   f. Newton Campus, Aarjavi Patel, Finance Director-None
   g. Communications Director- Kalisha Lazare-None

VII. Old Business-NONE

VIII. New Business
   a. 2018-19 Calendar Review and Approval
      - Senator G. Wright moved to approve the 2018-19 Calendar, Seconded by Senator Torrance
      - The motion passed with 25 in favor, 0 against, 1 abstention
   b. 89-UWB-01: Bill To Create a Points System to Enhance Accountability in SGA
      - Senator Breman moved to discuss the point system for 5 minutes, seconded by Senator Garcia-Velazquez
      - Senator Bivins moved to extend time for 5 minutes, seconded by Senator Garcia
      - Senator Siemer made a friendly amendment on line 41 to change “advisor” to “executive officer”
      - Senator Munoz moved to extend the minutes for 10 minutes, seconded by Senator Rathman
      - Senator Garcia-Velazquez called the question. The bill passed with 17 in favor, 6 against, 5 abstentions

IX. President’s Report, Franklin Patterson
   - Met with all the advisors of all campuses, he will be coming to all Perimeter campuses.
   - The retreat on August 10-11 will be the first full senate since consolidation.
   - He’s planning with advisors, goals and vision to bring a new culture in SGA. He’s starting something new at
     GSU and the world, and he wants each one of the Senate to be a part of it. He’s thankful for everyone that
     came to the first University-Wide committee.

X. Comments and announcements of the officers
   a. Closing Call of the Roll, Senate Clerk
      Absent: Communication Director Lazare, Maddali, Mihan, Maddali and Gomez

XI. Adjournment
    Senator Bivins moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Senator G. Wright at 5:35PM