Thursday, November 11

I. Call to Order - Speaker of the Senate Briana Bailey @ 7:17 pm

II. Opening Call of the Roll/ Determination of Quorum
   a. Tardy
      • A&S Undergraduate Senator Fati Toure
      • RCB Undergraduate Senator Aijaz Parpia
      • A&S Undergraduate Senator Jocelyn Guerrero
   b. Early Departures
      • A&S Undergraduate Senator Jocelyn Guerrero
      • A&S Undergraduate Senator Ariana Monoz
      • RCB Undergraduate Senator Aijaz Parpia
      • Freshman Liaison Sanjivika Pani
      • Freshman Liaison Regan Williams
   c. Absent
      • Student Engagement Chair & A&S Undergraduate Senator Mario Hubbard
      • Education Undergraduate Senator Mackenzie Minter
      • Nursing Graduate Senator Mary Pierce
      • Public Health Undergraduate Senator Hewitt Mesfin
      • RHA Liaison Catherine West
      • RHA Liaison Brianna Wilkerson

Quorum was reached with 20 out of 24 senators present.

III. Reading and Approval of the Minutes from the Previous Meeting
   • November 5, 2020
     ○ 16 Yays, 0 Nays, & 2 Abstentions

IV. Special Reports
   a. University Representatives wishing to address the senate
      I. University Career Services – Catherine Neiner
         • Will be participating in the Constituency Day event
         • Services are available virtually Monday-Friday from 8:30 am to 5:15 pm and in-person Monday-Thursday from 10 am to 3 pm, Also available for after hour events
         • Encourages everyone to come by to get their professional headshots; this service is free
         • The career closet, which offers professional clothing to students for free, will be moving online to a virtual store beginning in January; students will be able to pick up the clothes from the Atlanta campus
         • Every Wednesday, 10-15 employers are virtually on campus to talk to students; this will be continued into the spring
         • States that "Handshake" is an excellent way to find jobs, speak to career counselor, etc.
         • Encourages students to contact them to let them know about their unpaid internships; will be awarding students money for their services starting in the spring
         • The "College to Career Initiative" should start to be seen more in throughout courses

   b. Student Forum (Students wishing to address the Senate) - N/A

V. Special Orders
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a. 91-CSO-ATL-CL-15 Seating of the Student Services Chair-Sabrina Jamil
   ○ Speaker Bailey entertains a motion to open the floor for discussion
     ▪ Senator Bivins introduces the bill
     ▪ Senator Bivins motions to open the floor for three minutes, Senator Le seconds this motion
       ● This motion is approved with 16 Yays, 1 Nay, and 0 Abstentions
     ▪ Senator Bivins motions to end the discussion; Senator Moneke seconds this motion
       ● This motion is approved with 16 Yays, 1 Nay, and 1 Abstention
   ○ The bill was approved with 14 Yays, 0 Nays, & 2 Abstentions

b. 91-CS0-ATL-CX-06 An Atlanta Campus Special Order to Confirm Seating of the Atlanta Election Commission Vice Chair for Logistics for Spring 2021 elections
   ○ Senator Bivins introduces the bill
   ○ The bill was approved with 15 Yays, 0 Nays, & 2 Abstentions

VI. Executive Cabinet Reports
   a. Report of the Communications Director-
   b. Report of the Finance Director-
   c. Report of the Speaker of the Senate-Brianna Bailey
      ○ Constituency Days ("Winding Down with SGA") will take place on December 2nd & 3rd from 12-2 pm via Webex.
        ▪ Wednesday, December 2nd will be for freshman and sophomore.
          ● Panther Info & GSU Housing will be attending on this day
        ▪ Thursday, December 3rd will be for juniors & up
          ● University Career Services & Study Abroad Programs will be attending on this day
      ○ Senator Cochran volunteers to create the flyer for this event
      ○ Asks for members of the senate to volunteer for this event, preferably freshman & sophomores on Wednesday and upperclassmen on Thursday
      ○ Plans to email members of the senate more details for the event tomorrow
        ○ Gives a special thank you to Senator Bivins for all his hard work this semester.
        ○ Plans to continue "Senator of the Month" next semester.
        ○ Reminds members of the senate to continue helping each other

VII. Two Minute Speeches by members of the Senate - N/A

VIII. SGA Senate Committee Reports
   a. Report of the Academic Affairs Committee Chair- Shelby Horton
      ○ Will be emailing Wendy Hensel to see if academic evaluations will start this semester
      ○ Has contacted Ben Williams; he will attend one of the committee meetings to talk about transfer and transition orientation
      ○ The International Students initiative has been resolved
      ○ Instructional Content Design Initiative: Plans to create stricter guidelines for teachers, make GSU 1010 courses count towards electives and residency, and create more accommodations towards dual-enrollment students
   b. Report of the Government and Community Affairs Committee Chair - Spencer Bivins
      ○ Thanks his committee for all their hard work throughout the semester
      ○ Encourages members of the senate to register to vote
        ▪ Early voting will begin December 14th
        ▪ Absentee ballot requests are due by January 1st
        ▪ The runoff will take place on January 5th
Currently planning to have a mental health day
  ◦ Currently talking to the College of Arts & Sciences Student Advisory Board about their proposal regarding mental health initiatives
  ◦ Talked to Provost Wendy Hensel about this initiative; plans to talk with her again in hopes of finalizing the event
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c. Report of the Student Engagement Committee Chair- Mario Hubbard (Absent)
d. Report of the Student Services Committee Chair-Vacant
e. Ad hoc Committee Reports
  ◦ Senator Ward
    ▪ The Bylaws committee is currently working on creating and updating legislation; encourages members of the senate to contact her if they have any suggestions for legislation or if they would like to collaborate
    ▪ The Student Justice committee will resume next semester with more initiatives
f. Vacancy Report- John Le, Speaker Pro Tempore
  ◦ Plans to resume interviewing candidates in the next two weeks
  ◦ Will be sending out interview invites so that candidates can start signing up during Thanksgiving break
  ◦ Working on creating a more effective applicant tracker

Current vacancies:
  ▪ 1-Andrew Young, 1 - College of the Arts, 1 – Nursing & Health Professions & 2 – RCB, 2- College of Arts & Sciences, & 1-College of Public Health
  ▪ Liaison positions: 3 – Transition students (from PC) & 3 – Transfer students

IX. University Senate Committee Reports
  ◦ Senator Bivins states that the University Senate Committee has been going over the responses from students
    ▪ There are plans to address these issues
  ◦ Senator Pujals states that Student Life Committee had a special guest come to speak
    ▪ Advisor Sutton states that the faculty and staff are very concerned about the current academic environment

X. Advisor Report- Gail Sutton
  ◦ Reminds members of the senate that GSU is still offering free salvia COVID-19 testing Monday through Friday (9 am to 5pm)
    ▪ Locations are available on the ahead.gsu.edu website
    ▪ Reminds students to complete the self-report form if they have a positive test
  ◦ Reminds everyone to continue to wear their masks over the break
  ◦ SGA Office will be closed next week; plans to be in the office on Monday & Tuesday
  ◦ Asks members of the senate to let Speaker Bailey & herself know if they will no longer be attending GSU in the spring
  ◦ Reminds members of the senate that recruitment is everyone's responsibilities

XI. Old Business - N/A

XII. New Business - N/A

XIII. Comments and announcements of the Officers - N/A

XIV. Executive Vice President Report- Takia Tinsley
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- Reminds everyone to congratulate themselves for making it through the semester
- Members of the senate should take time to reflect on all SGA events during this semester
- The Winter Retreat will take place on January 6th-8th

XV. Closing Call of the Roll

XVI. Adjournment

- Speaker Bailey encourages a motion for the adjournment of the meeting
- Senator Pujals motions to adjourn the meeting; Senator Bivins seconds this motion
- This vote was approved with 15 Yays, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstentions
- The meeting is adjourned @ 8:55 pm