

# **SGA Joint Session of Congress Minutes**

**November 14, 2023**

## **Call to Order**

The joint session of congress called to order at 6:06pm on November 14, 2023 at the Setzer Student Center in Neches room 120.

## **Roll Call**

All officers were present for the meeting.

## **Approval of the Minutes**

Last meeting's minutes were approved with no changes.

## **Officer Reports**

- ❖ Vice President Lopez Maldonado:
  - Menstrual Product Dispensers are waiting to get a meeting from the people over the set for further discussion and implementation on campus.
  - In the absence of the dispensers, drives will be held to accumulate the products.
  - Cardinal Closet has scheduled a meeting with the Wesley student center to discuss the project.
- ❖ President Smith: The Title IX committee project will be carried into next semester.
- ❖ Senator Do: The Campus Sustainability committee is hoping to find a way to have pizza box recycling bins in residence halls.
- ❖ Senator Pugh: The Residence Hall water fountain filter project will be carried over into next semester.
- ❖ Senator Jacob Smith: Greek Council has made no progress; next semester the reformation of a Greek Council and formal recruiting for Greek Life will be pushed for.
- ❖ Senator Washington: The Parking Advisory committee is aware of the need for more spaces and will see to where they can help the students
- ❖ Speaker of the House Moye: Meeting with the Parking committee to discuss the nursing building parking situation.
- ❖ Senator Emily Smith: Dining options are in the need to expand on campus, and hopes to collaborate with surrounding restaurants.

- ❖ Senator Vincent-Eze: Flip the Script was successful.
- ❖ Senator Calero-Estrella: The implementation of exam study prep materials will focus on one group at a time.
- ❖ Senator Arevalo: The purchasing of essential textbooks for engineering students is in discussion with the library to see how they work on any infringement issues.

### **Unfinished Business**

No unfinished business to discuss.

### **New Business**

- ❖ Vice President Lopez Maldonado motioned to post about TimelyCare on social media to help students gain awareness of the app.
  - A unanimous vote was made in support of the motion.
- ❖ President Smith stated that with justice Graham graduating, the associate justice position will need to be filled.

### **Open Forum**

Guest speaker Katherine Miller Spoke on the 10 year master plan of the university:

- ❖ The Master Plan is to help a University System decide what plans or things should be implemented in a University.

After Katherine Miller spoke, the floor was opened to discuss any needs/concerns/requests that students may have:

- ❖ DHall signs need to be made aware by the Dining Hall about what are the contents in the food
- ❖ The International Student Council is looking to work closely with or be a part of SGA.
  - The idea of adding an international position in the senate was suggested.

### **Advisor's Comments**

No additional comments from Dr. McNeil.

### **Justice Comments**

The Justices support the establishment of the Title IX committee.

### **Adjournment**

The session was adjourned at 7:18pm.