November 03, 2020 – SGA House Session

Cypress I and II

Start Time: 5:30 pm

Facilitator: Destiny John, Speaker of the House of the Student Government Association

I. Call to order
   a. 5:32 PM

II. Roll call
   a. Quorum has not been met

III. Approval of the minutes from Last Meeting
   a. Last Meeting Minutes have been approved

IV. Reports
   a. AMA - Ashley Rammath
      i. Idea: To replace Co-sponsorship funds with Micro-grants
         1. Micro-grants would be used for the same reason (to put on events and to go to leadership training)
         2. Would give more flexibility by allowing funds to be used for more things such as buying leadership materials (books, online courses, etc.) and branded items (bracelets, pens, lanyards, etc.)
      ii. Update:
1. Small outside donors would be targeted with the possibility of getting a tax-deductible receipt from Lamar

2. Micro-grants would be on a rotation cycle
   a. If they get it one year their ineligible to get it the next
   b. This would be the case because micro-grants would be used for marketing materials/promotional items and would be (in theory) used one time to advance growth

b. MSA - Menna Elsaka
   i. Interfaith (Prayer) Room
      1. Talked with Mr. Shaver
      2. Purpose: To dedicate a space where students can pray/meditate
      3. Currently looking for a potential space and researching examples from other universities
      4. Looking to discuss ideas and potential use of the room with someone

c. NAACP - Jasmine Patin
   i. Police Proposal
      1. Met with Mr. Shaver and LUPD
      2. Will amend proposal as the initial idea might not be feasible

d. NSBE - Trey
   i. Idea: Have more consistent pricing for having police officers at events
      1. Has begun drafting a resolution
2. Some of the funding would be covered by another department
   a. Need to find that other source of funding
3. If anyone is interested in helping, talk to Trey
   a. Will be scheduling a meeting soon to discuss

V. Old business
   a. None

VI. New business
   a. None

VII. Open forum
   a. Jasmine: Any other ideas for the Interfaith Room?
      i. Alexia: Check with Wesley or BSN to see if they would be willing to
         share a space or know of an available space. The Rec has a classroom
         and a dance room that have specific time slots reserved and could be
         an option.
      ii. Nicholas: The Chemistry Building also reserves time slots
      iii. Elliot: Last year the Communication Building dedicated a room for
            meditation every Wednesday
      iv. Trey: Talk to Ruth Stanley about it
   b. Trey:
      i. Recommends Menna explore other buildings, and ask other
         departments, on campus as the Set would not be a feasible location

VIII. Advisor Comments
   a. Encourages students to vote if they haven’t
IX. Announcements

a. Coffee with Congress Tabling Event: November 5th from 11 - 1 PM in the Set

b. Library Hours have been extended to 11:45 PM (Sun - Thurs)

c. Election Day Today: Vote at the Montage Center from 7 AM - 7 PM

d. The next Joint Session will be November 9th at 5:30 PM in Neches 120

e. Study with SGA: November 10th at 5:30 PM in Maes 102

f. SGA Suggestion Box located in the Set by the Food Court

g. The next House Meeting will be November 17th at 5:30 PM

h. Student Members of the American Chemical Society: Virtual Meeting on November 12th at 5:30 PM, will be about Women in STEM (more info on LU Hub)

i. NAACP: SARS Tabling Event on November 12th from 12 - 2 PM in the Set

j. NAACP and NSBE: Financial Literacy Event on November 12th at 6:30 PM

k. MSA: Lessons From the Stories of the Prophets event on November 11th at 5:30 PM in Galloway 122

l. Zeta Phi Beta: Financial Literacy Event Today at 6 PM

X. Adjournment

a. Adjourned at 5:49 PM