

Senate Meeting October 28, 2020 Pride @ 6:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order-6:02 p.m.
- II. Roll Call

Senator Carlee-Present

Senator Drake-Present

Senator Hays-Present

Senator Plunkett-Absent

Senator Rios-Present

Senator Schessler-Present

Senator Standbridge-Absent

Vice President Cooper-Absent

Vice President Williams-Present

President Jaeger-Present

- III. Approval of the Minutes-Carlee moves to approve, 2nded by Rios, no objections.
- IV. Approval of the Agenda- Carlee moves to approve, 2nded by Rio
- V. Open General Student Input-No Students
- VI. Guest Speaker
  - A. Dr. John Humphreys (Academic Affairs Provost)- TAMUC set stronger standards than what the CDC requires. For example, you must have a negative test to go back to class. Our sister schools in the A&M System are not doing that. This semester has gone better than expected. There has been no adjustments to the fall academic calendar, but faculty has power to see how courses go (i.e. end Thanksgiving,)
    - 1. Question: The communication with professors has been rougher, since some areas are not used to teaching online.
      - a) I am getting a report tomorrow, grades are mandated to go into the gradebook.
    - 2. When do you step in if the deans are receiving negative feedback?

- a) It depends, many personnel issues.
- B. Jeremy Gamez (Interim Chief Information Officer) 116 learning environments have been redirected to "Hyflex learning". We have worked with faculty to develop new methods such as screen sharing, document cameras, etc. Reinforced and scaled Wi-Fi access points around campus- the outside is in the works. Implemented EDU scan, Fetti Scan, for check in purposes to help with contract tracing (not used for attendance.)
  - 1. Question- You talked about free Microsoft 365 for students, please elaborate on this?
    - a) It is the same as Google Docs and Sheet. You log in with your university account and a pops open Microsoft. You are doing everything on a Word document but in a web browser. You are able to save on a flash drive.
  - 2. Question- Are you responsible for the phones of campus? Why are there so many outages?
    - a) Yes, we are responsible for the phones. The outages are caused by many outside factors. We recently transitioned from one company to another.
  - 3. Question- Is it possible to get Zoom licensing/ Microsoft Teams for student organizations?
    - a) It should be, but I will look into it to make sure.
- C. Ricky Dobbs (Associate Provost for Academic Foundations) -Works with faculty to see what is going on if it is a people problem. Curriculum problem, or a process problem.

## VII. Executive Board Reports

- A. President Jaeger -If you have more than 3 unexcused absences, you are eligible for termination or a hearing in front of the judicial board.
- B. Vice President Williams- The speakers come to have ideas for your committees.

  Remember we are here for the students!
- C. Vice President Cooper- No Report

## VIII. Advisor Report

- A. Jeremy Sippel-The website, if you do not like it; Jeremy is willing to retake the picture. Getting an IPad in the office, ask Jeremy to check it out, must stay in the Rayburn Student Center. Ring unveiling ceremony 10/29 (Thank you to those who went!)
- IX. Old Business -No Old Business.
- X. New Business- No New Business,
- XI. Committee Reports
  - A. Academic Affairs
    - o COSE- Possible Legislation sent to the exec committee.
    - o CHSSA-No Report.
  - B. Campus Life -No Report.
  - C. Campus Safety Security- Campus Walk 11/4 at 4 pm. Please be there! Planning a mock traffic stop and a self-defense class for the SGA women with Ray Dittrich.I will reach out to you about a time that works best soon.
  - D. Internal Affairs -SGA Game Night Thursday 11/5 from 6-7 pm in the SGA office.
  - E. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion -Let's Talk is in the final stages, just need emails and a date set up. Looking to set up a meeting with Athletics.
- XII. Announcements- WDYW still going on 12-1 Wednesdays, UPD Safety Walk 11/4 4 pm, and Game Night Thursday 6 pm
- XIII. Adjournment- Moved by Senator Carlee to adjourn at 7:22 p.m., seconded by Senator Schessler.