



"SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA UNIVERSITY

Senate Meeting Agenda

Monday, October 11, 2021

- I. Call To Order KeRon Jackson
Meeting called to order at 5:20pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance Trinity Brown (Done by Nicholas Roy)
- III. Invocation Elan Williams
- IV. Roll Call Easton Guilbeau
Sen. Kendall Adams
Sen. Farrah Pate
Sen. Easton Guilbeau
~~Sen. Matthew Hayes~~
Sen. Aliyah Henderson
~~Sen. Braxton Laurent~~
Sen. Nicholas Roy
Sen. Edrica Thomas
Sen. Cilicia Thornton
Sen. Caroline Watson
Sen. Elan Williams
~~Sen. Trinity Brown~~
Sen. Lacey Johnson
Sen. McKenzie Smith
11/14 Voting Senators present, quorum has been met
- V. Approval of Minutes KeRon Jackson
Senate Chair Jackson calls for motion to approve the minutes
Motion made by Sen. Adams
Seconded by Sen. Henderson
11/11 Senators vote aye, minutes stand approved
- VI. Reports
A. SGA President L'Oreal Williams

Kickoff was a success, thank you to those who volunteered; Lip Sync event on Thursday and parade on Saturday- help needed, sign up on linktree; post on social media about homecoming to get students involved; Member of the month: Sen. Edrica Thomas.

B. SGA Chief Justice Kelsey Staes

No report

C. SGA Advisor Brendan Daigle

Thank you for your help so far with homecoming, please continue to help and support, we all appreciate you

D. Internal Affairs Chair Nicholas Roy

On Tuesday IF was supposed to review Bill FA21-03, bill was tabled and will be referred back to be reviewed this Tuesday

Point system constructed, we are fixing bugs, but it will be out this week

Encourage everyone to volunteer for homecoming events, show school spirit; this is our biggest in person event since the pandemic. Lion up!

E. Student Life Chair Edrica Thomas

Stress less breakfast has been planned and being worked on; another poll for the senate social will be posted soon since there was a tie- please respond asap; happy to announce two students who showed interest in SGA at kickoff.

F. Appropriations Chair Caroline Watson

On Tuesday Appropriations reviewed:

FA21-08: voted to refer to senate floor because supplies are necessary to all students of SELU, cleanliness is important in the midst of the pandemic to protect students, and SGA has always provided these materials- the library is dependent on us

Fa21-09: voted to refer to senate floor because it aids Nursing department as well as Kinesiology, online simulation is useful for online meetings and necessary to adequately instruct students

FA21-10: voted to refer to senate floor because the event is open to all SELU students, it is important for international students, and this is a meaningful, big event for the department

G. Senate Chair

KeRon Jackson

Continue to do a great job, hard work doesn't go unnoticed; there have been some adjustments in branches, but we will work through it. Keep each other lifted as you remember we all go through things; if you are going through something talk to me about it so we can support you

VII. Unfinished Business

Senate chair calls for motion to suspend rules to move Bill FA21-10 to beginning of agenda

Motion made by Sen. Thomas

Seconded by Sen. Watson

11/11 Senators vote aye

A. Bill FA21-10 Financial Bill to sponsor food for International Night for the Department of Languages and Communication

Sen Watson: This is a bill to sponsor catering food for International Night, this is a generally large event of usually about 250-300 people; the department is requesting maximum amount of \$1500 for expenses

Representative: this is a kickoff event for a week-long celebration during International Education Week; the event serves to celebrate international students, it will be fun for students to participate, enjoy performances, eat at the buffet, celebrate our international students, showcase cultures, and come together as student body. It is important to let international students know we are invested in them. There will be a show consisting of dance, poetry, music and other performances. Try to select unique, multicultural foods that students are not familiar with.

Sen. Guilbeau: Would it be possible to develop an RSVP system to ensure the estimate of attendees is correct in order to ensure adequate funding?

Representative: This is also an event open to the overall community, so the exact number is difficult to get. The estimated amount is already lowered from what we have seen in past years: have had attendees sign in at previous events, usually at least 200-300, but we expect the actual number to be way bigger- closer to 400. Investment in advertising- flyer with SGA logo on it posted around, sent out to all dept. heads, coaches- many international students are athletes so informing coaches worked well before especially with getting excused from sporting events, word-to-mouth to community.

Sen. Thomas: Will this event be on campus or off?

Representative: On campus in the Student Union Ballroom

Senate Chair calls for motion to end discussion

Motion made by Sen. Thornton

Seconded by Sen. Adams

11/11 Senators vote aye

Discussion ended

Senate Chair calls for motion to vote to fund Bill FA21-10

Motion made by Sen. Thomas

Seconded by Sen. Watson

11/11 Senators vote aye

Bill passes favorably

B. Bill FA21-03 Senate Appointment - College of Science and Technology - Devin Schwaibold

Senate Chair calls for motion to table Bill FA21-03

Motion made by Sen. Thornton

Seconded by Sen. Henderson

11/11 Senators vote aye

Bill is tabled

C. Bill FA21-08 Financial Bill to Sims Memorial Library for Student Supplies

Representative: every year Sims Memorial Library applies for this grant to fund supplies for students to use; they always get used abundantly, SGA logo is posted at stations so students know; We want to purchase more calculators as there has been higher demand, also will purchase more cleaning supplies for COVID precautions to ensure student safety; Sims does not have a budget, so dependent on SGA Fund to provide these supplies for students.

Senate Chair calls for motion to fund bill FA21-08

Motion made by Sen. Watson

Seconded by Sen. Williams

11/11 Senators vote aye

Bill passes favorably

D. Bill FA21-09 Financial Bill to sponsor Smart City Project for the Department of Kinesiology

Representative: Ms. Decoux, here to represent Dr. Bryan; There are currently no laptops dedicated to simulation equipment so if we suddenly need to move to remote instruction for any reason, there is no way to continue instruction. It is very important to have this technology on hand and accessible to students no matter the circumstance.

Sen. Guilbeau: On behalf of the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Kinesiology Student Association, we appreciate the initiative and the willingness to make this accessible to the Kinesiology and Nursing Departments

Sen. Roy: We appreciate the initiative and the forward thinking in regards to possible return to remote learning

Senate Chair calls for motion to end discussion

Motion made by Sen. Roy

Seconded by Sen. Johnson

11/11 Vote aye

Discussion ended

Senate chair calls for motion to fund Bill FA21-09

Motion made by Sen. Thomas

Seconded by Sen. Henderson

11/11 Senators vote aye

Bill passes favorably

VIII. New Business

A. Bill FA21-11 Senate Appointment - College of Nursing and Health Sciences - Joshua Freeman

Senate Chair calls for motion to refer Bill FA21-11 to Internal Affairs

Motion made by Sen. Watson

Seconded by Sen. Guilbeau

11/11 Senators vote aye

Bill will move to Internal Affairs Committee

B. Bill FA21-12 Financial Bill to Supply the Student Body with Scantrons, Bluebooks, Pens and Pencils via the Office for Student Engagement

Representative Madame President: One of the staples of SGA is having supplies available to students, Impossible do that without this funding

Senate Chair calls for motion to refer bill FA21-12 to Appropriations

Motion made by Sen. Adams

Seconded by Sen. Williams

11/11 Senators vote aye

Bill will move to Appropriations Committee

IX. Announcements and Remarks

Sen. Thomas: Would like to thank big three and advisors for homecoming efforts

Sen. Guilbeau: Congratulations to Freshman Senators for being elected, happy to work with you and here if you need anything

Senate Chair: Congratulations and thank you to Freshman Senators for showing interest, getting involved

X. Adjournment

KeRon Jackson

Meeting adjourned at 5:52pm