

Minutes

LSUS Student Government Association

September 6, 2007

The LSUS Student Senate met at 10:40 A.M., Thursday, September 06, 2007, in the De-Soto Room of the University Center. Executive Secretary Mayte Pino took roll.

Present for the meeting were:

Joe Hayes, President
Nicole Goad, Vice President
Mayte Pino, Executive Secretary
Matthew Baker
Iesha Davenport, Education
Kathryn D'Anna
Serena Green, Science
Preston Langley
Travis Richardson, Science
Stephen Williams
Titus Washington
Melanie Finch, Business
Cheradee Williams
Daniel Antle
Dr. Raines, Advisor

Absent:

Ben Escude, Business
Jonathan Gandy
Jeremy Hampton
Brandon Johnson, Liberal Arts
T'Anita King
Rochelle Walden
Keith Milstead
Angel Arnold, Liberal Arts

On the motion of Senator Kathryn D'Anna, seconded by Senator Matthew Baker, the minutes from last week August 30, 2007 were approved.

Executive Reports:

President Hayes reports where we are headed in terms of SGA for the year 2007-2008. President Hayes also presented the new binders for the senators and briefly explained some of the details included in the binders. These included Financial Aid Policy, Attendance Policy, and Budgets.

Also the mascot costume will be revealed during Midnight Madness. Senators are invited to help with the revealing process. A committee has been selected in order to pick a name for the mascot. The committee consists of SGA President Joe Hayes, 2007 Professor of the Year Cheryl White, and distinguished alumni Denitra Dennis. Final approval rests with the Chancellor.

Vice President Goad reports that any items wanting to be placed on the agenda need to be turned in by 2pm on Tuesday. Committee report forms are available in the SGA

Office and will also need to be turned in by 2pm on Tuesday in order for that Committee to report, it should be noted however that all Committees must report monthly at least. Pictures will be taken throughout these two weeks so senators need to meet with Nicole in order to have their pictures taken at a convenient time. Robert's Rules are also located in the SGA office for those who would like to view it.

Secretary Pino reports that each senator should fill out their profile sheets located in their binders and have them turned in to her as soon as possible. She also passed out a contact sheet to get the senators' information, and a t-shirt sign up sheet for those interested in purchasing a shirt.

Advisor Dr. Raines reports that attendance in SGA is very important, so if you are going to miss let someone in SGA know. If any of the senators have any business they would like to put forward all ideas are welcomed.

Old Business:

President Hayes reiterated the senate student conduct board which includes Samuel Bailey and Joe Shyne whom have been appointed to fill the vacant seats.

On the motion of Senator D'Anna, seconded by Senator Baker, the Presidential appointments to the Student Conduct Board are approved by the Student Senate without opposition.

New Business:

President Pro-Tempore Nominations

Vice President Goad opens the floor for President Pro-Temp Nominations. Kathryn D'Anna nominates Matthew Baker for President Pro-Temp and Serena Greene seconds the nomination. There are no other nominations for the position.

Senator Matthew Baker is elected as President Pro-Tempore through acclamation.

Committee Appointments

Vice President Goad also reports that the appointments to the Senate Committees have been announced and members should begin meeting as soon as possible.

2007 – 2008 SGA Senate Committees:

Internal Affairs:

Chair – Keith Milstead
Co-Chair – Travis Richardson
Jeremy Hampton
Matthew Baker
Jonathan Gandy

Student Affairs:

Chair – Serena Greene
Co-Chair – Melanie Finch
Stephen Williams
Brandon Johnson
Titus Washington

Academic Affairs:

Chair – Matthew Baker
Co-Chair – Katy D'Anna
T'Anita King
Ben Escude
Angel Arnold
Daniel Antle

Public Relations:

Chair – Cheradee Williams
Co-Chair – Daniel Antle
Preston Langley
Katy D'Anna
Rachelle Walden

Budget:

Chair – Angel Arnold
Co-Chair – Ieshia Davenport
Keith Milstead
Melanie Finch

Alma Mater

President Hayes reports that the alma mater is being updated for the 40th anniversary celebration. The previous version focused on LSU instead of LSUS. Copies of the updated version are distributed.

ORIGINAL - 1993

We sing thee, Alma Mater, through all our highs and lows.

In our striving, in succeeding, wherever we may go.

We sing thee Alma Mater, LSU we sing of you.

In Shreveport is our treasure, our Alma Mater true.

NEW - 2007

We sing thee, Alma Mater, through all our highs and lows.

In our striving, in succeeding, wherever we may go.

LSUS we honor, our Alma Mater true.

We pledge with pride in harmony our loyalty to you.

On the motion of Senator Williams, seconded by Senator Greene, the Student Senate votes unanimously to support the updated version of the Alma Mater.

Announcements:

President Hayes announces that the police will be controlling traffic and letting everyone out at once after the 11am and 12pm classes. He announces that there are more afternoon classes offered at LSU.

Adjournment:

On the motion of Senator Antle, seconded by Senator Williams, Vice President Goad adjourns the meeting at 10:58A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mayte Pino,
Executive Secretary