



Student Government Association

Student Government Association Senate

Minutes

Monday, July 20, 2020

Open Forum

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a. No Report

Roll Call 7:33

1. Approval of Minutes

2. Executive Officer Reports

- a) Ada Ruth Huntley — President
 - a. All students will have to be tested for Covid-19 before returning to campus.
 - b. Partnership with equal justice initiative to launch an essay contest where the winner will be given a scholarship.
 - c. Auburn's senior staff will undergo diversity training.
 - d. Please fill out the survey that was sent out by Wednesday at noon.
 - e. Annual meeting of the board of trustees.
 - i. Naming of the Legacy Plaza was approved.
 - ii. Bachelor of Science in Genetics and Development practices.
- b) Caroline Willoughby — Treasurer
 - a. Financial literacy programming for students in the fall.
 - i. Speaker series by Regions bank.
 - ii. Page to be added to the Auburn website to help students manage their student loans and create saving plans.
 - b. Working to ensure that students will have a ring ceremony during fall commencement.
- c) Landon McNellage— EVP of Communications
 - a. Monthly newsletter will begin in August and go out to the incoming freshmen class.
 - b. Revamped SGA website will hopefully be launched sometime at the beginning of the semester.
- d) Sarah Jane Levine— EVP, Initiatives
 - a. Check out A Healthier U to find information about upcoming changes due to Covid-19.
 - i. Ahealthieru.auburn.edu
 - b. Ticketing for back-in parking will not begin until September 14, 2020.
 - c. Students cannot park in any campus lots without a permit until 5:30 pm. Students can park at the student center parking deck beginning at 5:00 pm.
- e) Michael Bennett — EVP, Outreach
 - a. Freshmen Forum and Lobby Board Applications open.
 - b. Be on the lookout for sign-ups for the “Ask me” event that will happen at the beginning this semester.
 - c. Submit Research requests regarding Legislation to Molly or Bennet via email.
 - d. Please email feedback that you would like to be included in the report to administration.



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3. College Reports

- a) At Large
 - a. A reminder that parking registration starts tomorrow for students who live off-campus.
 - b. Parking registration for on-campus students begins next week.
- b) Agriculture
 - a. Making a video showcasing clubs in the College of Agriculture to show to freshmen.
- c) Harbert College of Business
 - a. All Campus buildings are now open, including Harbert College of business.
- d) College of Architecture, Design & Construction
 - a. Book made for Professor Rice who passed away from Covid-19.
 - b. Planning a virtual trivia night for welcome week.
- e) College of Sciences and Mathematics
 - a. Partnership with the school's council to make sure that the students and faculty who assisted freshmen this summer are available in the fall.
- f) College of Education
 - a. Annual BBQ event canceled and to be replaced with a new event, Home Sweet Honey.
- g) Samuel Ginn College of Engineering
 - a. Holding sessions with AEP to work on enhancing minority representation and advancement.
- h) School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences
 - a. No report.
- i) College of Human Sciences
 - a. Video installments showing opportunities available within the College of Human Sciences and how to get involved.
- j) College of Liberal Arts
 - a. Launching a new degree for students who want to go into the music industry.
- k) School of Nursing
 - a. No report.
- l) Harrison School of Pharmacy
 - a. Pharm applications are now open.
 - i. Pharmacy.auburn.edu/apply
- m) College of Veterinary Medicine
 - a. No report.

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4. Committee Reports

a) Mary Cate Saville – Academic Affairs

- a. Meeting with Dr. Godwin regarding the grade forgiveness program.
- b. Grade Hub program to be used in the fall.
 - i. Provides instant data about tests.

b) Rett Waggoner – Budget and Finance

- a. Feedback stage has now ended.
- b. Final budgets are due Friday.

c) Molly Sullivan – Code of Laws and Rules

- a. Survey sent out to students declared candidacy and intended to run for senate and dropped out.
- b. Working on legislation to amend election law.

d) Tyler Ward– Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

- a. Push for marketing week.
- b. Eagles commendation.
- c. College of Liberal Arts asking professors to include a diversity statement central to their course for students this fall.

e) James Sadie – Student Affairs

- a. Future order regarding polling location on campus.
 - i. Student support
 - ii. Peer institutions have successfully implemented polling locations.
- b. Questions remaining for administration regarding transportation, location, cost.
- c. Commendation for facilities.
- d. Working on extending the option to donate money to Beat Bama Food Drive or hunger awareness when purchasing food on campus.

f) Andrew Dismukes – Executive Committee

- a. Office hours to resume in the fall.

5. Liaisons

a) BSU

- a. No report

b) Honors College

- a. No report

c) Housing

- a. No report.



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6. Current Orders
 - a) PSSB: 20-0720 Graduate School Senator Appointment Confirmation
 - a. Andrew Dismukes, College of Business
 - b. Vote
 - i. Motion carries
 - b) PSSB: 20-0720-02 DEI Code Correction
 - a. Tyler Ward, College of Liberal Arts
 - b. Vote
 - i. Motion carries
 - c) PSSB: 20-0420-03 SGA Program Expansion Fund Request regarding Late Night Programming Fund, Programming
 - a. Luke Hess, Samuel Ginn College of Engineering
Rett Waggoner, Harbert College of Business
 - b. Vote
 - i. Motion carries

7. Future Orders

- d) PSSB: 20-0824-01 Auburn University Polling Location
 - a. Stephen Sadie, Harbert College of Business
 - b. Vote
 - i. Motion carries
- e) PSSB 20-0824-02 Haley Concourse Zone Code Change
 - a. Molly Sullivan, At-Large
 - b. Vote
 - i. Motion carries
- f) PSSB: 20-0824-03 Consequences for Turning Election Materials in Late
 - a. Molly Sullivan, At-Large
 - b. Vote
 - i. Motion carries

Announcements

- a) Hays Kassen, Vice President
 - a. Staying positive in the face of changes and challenges this fall.
 - b. Thank you for all the work that has been done this summer.
- b) Pearson Brown, Advisor
 - a. A warm welcome to Jamie Calvert our new Graduate Student Assistant who will be helping with UPC and SGA.
 - b. Advisors' Three Pointers:
 - i. 27 days away from the first day of class. Let's use these last days of summer to prepare for the fall.
 - ii. Remember that although things might look different, we still have the same goal on SGA to serve Auburn students.
- c) Brad Smith, Advisor
 - a. Share questions with Michael and Sarah Jane that are not found on Auburn's Covid frequently asked questions website.
 - b. Information regarding fall meetings to come.

Adjournment 8:22