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**Student Government Association Senate
Minutes
Monday, May 10, 2021**

Open Forum

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- a. Megan Watkins – Director of Auburn Answers
 - i. Going through Auburn Answers, and there were complaints about students not having weekend dining options.
 - ii. Want to make sure that Auburn students feel supported 24/7, every day of the year.

Roll Call 7:35

1. Approval of Minutes
 - a) Approved.
2. Executive Officer Reports
 - a) Rett Waggoner – President
 - a. A lot of great material was mentioned at Cabinet.
 - b. Want to encourage the vaccine; the university will continue to encourage this over the summer.
 - c. Polling location on campus has made good progress; more updates on the polling location to come over the summer.
 - d. Assistant Vice President of Economic Development: The Alabama economy is reporting new highs and easily surpassing previous numbers.
 - e. The next Faculty Senate meeting May 18.
 - f. The next Board of Trustees meeting June 11.
 - b) Stephen Sadie – Treasurer
 - a. Congratulations on the Ring Ceremony; ran very smoothly.
 - b. Meeting over Zoom on Tuesday, May 11 at 2pm with person in charge of budget and tuition at Auburn.
 - i. Breaking down what tuition is going toward.
 - c) Claudia Hubbard – EVP, Communications and Marketing
 - a. Headshots are being edited now; BOX link with access to these will be sent out soon.
 - b. Meeting with director of IT for facilities management.
 - c. Adding initiative tracker to Student Government Association website so that students can see the tangible ways that the Student Government Association is working for them.
 - d. Email Emeline Jones or Claudia Hubbard for access to photos taken at recent Student Government Association events.
 - d) Molly Boudreaux – EVP, Outreach
 - a. Auburn 2040 plan: wanting to get a lot of students on these committees.
 - b. Check AU10 post from January 19 on the Auburn SGA’s Instagram page to see the list of businesses that participate.
 - i. If you have been to these businesses and they did not actively participate, let Molly know so she can make sure they want to remain a part of the program.
 - c. Continue to push Auburn Answers and submit research request forms.



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- e) Tyler Ward – EVP, Cabinet Administration
 - a. Wanted to thank everyone that helped with Up All Night.
 - b. Camp War Eagle is coming up; if there is anything you want to be announced, let a counselor know.
 - c. Freshman Forum applications are opening in two weeks.
- f) Michael Thomas — EVP, Initiatives
 - a. Rett Waggoner giving report to fill in for Michael.
 - b. Upcoming meetings with the Director of University Housing, Director of Campus Dining, University Traffic and Site Engineer, Director of Parking and Transportation, and the Provost Office.

2. College Reports

- a) At Large
 - a. Feedback on study spaces: students are satisfied.
 - b. Thanks to everyone for pushing out study spaces survey during finals week.
- b) College of Agriculture
 - a. No report.
- c) College of Business
 - a. Worked with College of Business to have Dibs spaces in Horton-Hardgrave Hall.
 - b. Students felt that finals went great and are looking forward to the fall semester.
 - c. Working to create a newsletter that will be released soon; will help to inform students of what Senate's role is.
- d) College of Architecture, Design, and Construction
 - a. Listserv is working again.
- e) College of Science and Mathematics
 - a. Will be on campus most of the summer and taking advantage of this by staying in touch with the Dean and working on expanding network.
- f) College of Education
 - a. No report.
- g) Samuel Ginn College of Engineering
 - a. Getting proposal ready for desired changes to Brown-Kopel café.
 - b. Plainsman article has been released on the menstrual product initiative.
- h) College of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences
 - a. End of year event "Finals and Farewells" went well.
 - i. Enjoyed meeting students and putting faces to names.
 - b. Working on a once-a-week event within the school to get everyone together.
 - c. Feedback on end of semester surveys: many students never took the time to fill them out due to the time crunch at the end of the semester.
- i) Graduate School
 - a. Setting up meetings with people and talking with graduate students that are upset about classes not being offered in the summer.
 - b. Prorated fees for graduate students have been disregarded, and many students are upset about this.
 - i. Meeting with Dean of the Graduate School to discuss this.
- j) College of Human Sciences
 - a. Trying to brainstorm ideas for the Fall, ensuring that mental health is a priority.
 - b. Child Life major requires an internship to graduate, but the school does not place students in an internship or help them attain one.
 - i. Talking to students and faculty about this.



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- k) College of Liberal Arts
 - a. Working on mandatory internship programs and ensuring that access to internships is equal for everyone, and that everyone can afford it.
 - l) School of Nursing
 - a. Looking ahead to nursing orientation and hoping that she can be in attendance, as well as a member of Schools Council.
 - m) Harrison School of Pharmacy
 - a. Had a good meeting with the former Schools Council, as well as upcoming Schools Council regarding that they want to accomplish.
 - b. Want to have events for upcoming Pharmacy students during orientation, such as luncheons and ice cream with the Dean, to make him more accessible.
 - n) College of Veterinary Medicine
 - a. No report.
- ### 3. Committee Reports
- a) Gavin McElroy – Academic Affairs
 - a. Initiative to define Graduate Students and Advisor Roles Clarity is in progress.
 - b. Met with the Biggio Center and compiled feedback on lockdown browsers.
 - i. Some of the reasons for different lockdown browsers includes avoiding firewalls for international students.
 - b) Reese Lisenby – Budget and Finance
 - a. Good job communicating with Financial Representatives.
 - c) Kyla Mathner – Code of Laws
 - a. Great draft for Schools Council Reformatting Bill.
 - b. Great draft for Student Council Senate Attendance and Absence Policy.
 - d) Brandan Belser – Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
 - a. Committee members are working hard on Muslim Student Prayer location, Finals Week survey on Dibs, Period program, Sexual Assault Prevention Initiative, and Resolution to Fight Racial Inequity.
 - e) John David Mathews – Student Affairs
 - a. Response to Open Forum: Auburn has tried to keep on-campus dining open on the weekends, but they found that it was not profitable.
 - i. This problem will be solved in the Fall when The Edge is open 7 days a week.
 - b. Working on survey for potential need for ice machines in residency halls.
 - f) Graf Sullivan – Executive Committee
 - a. Summer is a great opportunity to get a lot done; wanting to enter August prepared to complete great projects in the future.
- ### 4. Liaisons
- a) Honors College – Luke Owens
 - a. President and Vice President had their first meeting today.
 - b. Finalized committees for the upcoming year.
 - c. Welcome Week date was selected as August 18.
 - d. First meeting date selected as August 25.
 - b) Black Student Union – Donovan Evins
 - a. No report.



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- c) Student Veterans Association – Liyah Stewart
 - a. Will be on campus all summer doing Undergraduate Research in Genetics; contact Liyah if you want to get together to talk.
 - b. March from Tuscaloosa to Jordan-Hare Stadium will be hosted in the fall.
 - i. Contact Liyah if you want to volunteer or donate.
- d) Freshman Committee – Megan Watkins
 - a. No report.

5. Current Orders

- a) PSSB: 21-0510-01 Student Veterans Association Liaison Confirmation
 - a. Graf Sullivan, College of Engineering
 - b. Vote.
 - i. Passed.
- b) PSSB: 21-0510-02 College of Human Sciences Schools Council Vice President Confirmation
 - a. Graf Sullivan, College of Engineering
 - b. Vote.
 - i. Passed.

6. Future Orders

- a) PSSR: 21-0614-01 Resolution on Auburn University's Duty to Fight Racial Inequity
 - a. Brandan Belser, College of Liberal Arts
 - b. Vote next week.
- b) PSSB: 21-0614-01 Academic Honesty Deletion of 1202.3
 - a. Kyla Mathner, College of Education
 - b. Vote next week.
- c) PSSB: 21-0614-02 Academic Honesty Deletion of 1206.5.2 and Renumbering
 - a. Kyla Mathner, College of Education
 - b. Vote next week.
- d) PSSB: 21-0614-03 Aubie Try Out Spelling Code Correction
 - a. Coleman Turnipseed, At-Large
 - b. Vote next week.

7. Announcements

- a) Cole Callahan, Vice President
 - i. Reach out to your Schools Council representative to gauge their progress with Welcome Week.
 - ii. Solidify locations to house Student Senate Office Hour signs.
 - iii. Finalize days, times, and locations of weekly office hours.
 - 1. Try to encompass more than one class day.
- b) Jamie Calvert
 - i. Advisor's Three Pointers: Return to Campus
 - 1. One thing you learned about yourself or about your Auburn experience.
 - 2. The university is preparing for a full return to campus.
 - 3. What is SGA doing to prepare?
 - a. Connect with others in a distanced world.

Adjournment 8:35