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**Student Government Association Senate
Minutes
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Open Forum

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- a) Heather Mann (She/Her/Hers)
 - a. Proud to hear all of the progress that Senate has made over the summer.
 - b. Weekly meetings are held every Wednesday in Mell 3550 at 6:00pm.
 - c. This week’s meeting will discuss how to serve the LGBTQ+ community.
 - d. This Friday is the first Friday night kickback of the year on the Campus Greenspace at 6:00pm.
 - e. This year is the unofficial 30th anniversary of Spectrum, with next year being the official 30th anniversary.
 - i. The beginning of the organization in 1990 and 1991 was faced with conflict, and Spectrum officially began at Auburn in 1992.

Roll Call 7:36

- 1. Approval of Minutes
 - a) Senator Devore: corrections to pages 3, 4, and 7.
- 2. Executive Officer Reports
 - a) Rett Waggoner – President
 - a. No report.
 - b) Stephen Sadie – Treasurer
 - a. Great to be back in the original room for Senate meetings.
 - b. The financial literacy and transparency website should be ready shortly so that incoming freshmen can see both and be acclimated.
 - c. Looking at a payment system for Auburn rings, including a savings plan over time.
 - d. Preliminary budget hearings are this Wednesday.
 - c) Claudia Hubbard – EVP, Communications and Marketing
 - a. Directors of internal communication have been updating the “This Week in SGA” template to increase effectiveness and clarity.
 - b. Remember to send in announcements of upcoming events.
 - c. Hoping that everyone enjoyed the “This Summer in SGA” email.
 - d. Working on newsletter for organization leaders.
 - e. Scheduling photos.
 - d) Molly Boudreaux – EVP, Outreach
 - a. Meeting with Mayor Anders on Friday.
 - b. Lobby Board applications are due on September 6th at 4:45pm.
 - c. Traveled to Montgomery last week to meet the Governor, Kay Ivey.
 - d. Hey Day is coming soon; she hopes to see everyone as volunteers.
 - e. Submit research request forms with 2-3 weeks time allowed.
 - f. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion listening tour is starting for the semester.



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- e) Tyler Ward – EVP, Cabinet Administration
 - a. Excited to see everyone at the retreat on Saturday, which will include lunch at the Edge.
 - b. Freshman Forum applications close next Thursday.
 - c. Miss Homecoming nominations close on Wednesday.
 - f) Michael Thomas — EVP, Initiatives
 - a. Continue to promote Late Night Dining.
 - b. The Lyft program is running again.
 - c. Make sure that everyone has their Mobile Access Pass in their Apple Wallet and is prepared to help others do so.
 - i. Received two screen recording videos showing the downloading process on the Apple phone and Android phone.
 - ii. This is important to ensure that everyone has completed because it will be vital to getting everyone into the stadium on gamedays.
2. College Reports
- a) At-Large
 - a. Received great feedback from freshmen about their Welcome Week experience; they felt very happy about the events.
 - b. Putting together a committee for the study spaces resolution before bringing it to administration.
 - b) College of Agriculture
 - a. The Welcome Picnic last Thursday saw over 300 people.
 - b. Met with Schools Council and advisor today.
 - c. Meeting with the School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences to put together a joint tailgate.
 - c) College of Business
 - a. Office hours will be held in the lobby of Horton Hardgrave Hall on Monday at 1:00pm, Wednesday at 9:00am, and Wednesday at 3:30pm.
 - b. Tiger Bread Company is back open for grab and go.
 - c. Secured DIBS reservations in Horton Hardgrave Hall.
 - d) College of Architecture, Design, and Construction
 - a. Lunch in Dudley Courtyard had over 300 students and faculty attend, and over 300 t-shirts were handed out.
 - b. Office hours will be held on Tuesday in Dudley Hall and Monday in the Gorrie Center.
 - e) College of Sciences and Mathematics
 - a. Office hours will be held in the Science Center Classroom building.
 - b. Successful Welcome Week event last Thursday handing out donuts in front of the Science Center Laboratory.
 - f) College of Education
 - a. Office hours will be on Monday from 12:30-1:30 and Thursday from 10:15-11:15 in the Haley Center.
 - g) Samuel Ginn College of Engineering
 - a. Drop-in peer advising and tutoring in Brown-Kopel is available.
 - b. Going to start sending senators to E Council meetings.
 - c. ESS is starting a program for students on academic leave because of medical, family, or other reasons.



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- h) School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences
 - a. Welcome Back Wednesday went well and had a good turnout.
 - b. Spoke with Associate Dean about expectations for her position.
 - c. A film has been ordered for the atrium windows to see if this reduces the bird deaths.
- i) Graduate School
 - a. Office hours will be held on Wednesdays.
 - b. First Graduate Student Council meeting will be this Wednesday from 7-8pm on Zoom.
 - c. Getting an updated list of departmental senators within Graduate Student Council.
 - d. Graduate School is looking to increase the undergraduates from Auburn enrolling in Auburn Graduate School.
 - e. Some students and faculty have been having issues with name changes not updating in Tiger Scheduler.
 - f. Parking has been an issue as they received less than 200 B-zone parking spaces.
- j) College of Human Sciences
 - a. Welcome Week event went well; had Kona Ice and Aubie.
 - b. Office hour will be on Wednesdays from 2-3pm in Spidle.
 - c. In contact with SCPS Liaison.
- k) College of Liberal Arts
 - a. Last Wednesday they hosted the Cookies with College of Liberal Arts event outside of Tichenor.
 - b. Interim Dean was appointed; the former Dean stepped back into a professor role.
 - c. Headshots will be held tomorrow, August 24.
 - d. Preparing to host a GRE preparation course.
- l) School of Nursing
 - a. Had a great Welcome Week event giving out donuts.
 - b. Received lots of feedback about lack of parking.
- m) Harrison School of Pharmacy
 - a. Office hours will be on Wednesdays from 4-5pm.
 - b. Working with Student Council to edit bylaws.
 - c. Harrison School of Pharmacy's 136th birthday is coming up; planning events such as scavenger hunts and trivia to celebrate.
 - d. Working to put on a health fair at a tailgate on September 25.
- n) College of Veterinary Medicine
 - a. Received feedback about issues with dining in their buildings.

3. Committee Reports

- a) Gavin McElroy – Academic Affairs
 - a. Equitable Mentorship: finalizing benchmarking and mentorship definitions.
 - b. Canvas Calendar: working on rough draft of resolution and narrowing down whereas statements.
 - c. Grade Implementation: has a lot of benchmarking; working on next steps.
 - d. Loanable Laptops: complications due to the library already having a similar program; sorting through these errors.



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- b) Reese Lisenby – Budget and Finance
 - a. All final budgets have been turned in.
 - b. Preliminary hearings start tomorrow.
 - c. Final hearings will be September 7th and 8th.
 - d. Reserve Fund Request coming through tonight.
 - e. Motion to suspend the rules of order.
 - i. Motion carries.
 - f. Motion to move PSSB 21-0830-01 from a future to a current order.
 - i. Motion carries.
 - c) Kyla Mathner – Code of Laws
 - a. Working on legislation regarding Schools Council and Senate attendance; wanting more feedback.
 - b. Implementing absence policy for Schools Council into the Code of Laws.
 - d) Brandan Belser – Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
 - a. Working on Study Spaces resolution.
 - b. Working on Commendation for all current and former Auburn athletes who competed in the Olympics.
 - c. Suni Lee is the first Hmong American to compete in the Olympics and also to win a medal.
 - d. Feedback on travel time from locations close to campus being extra long.
 - e) Kate Preston – Student Affairs
 - a. Meeting Wednesday at 7:30pm in the Student Involvement Suite.
 - b. Finalizing details about basketball lines.
 - c. Survey about ice machines in central locations for housing has been created as well as a QR code to the survey.
 - f) Graf Sullivan – Executive Committee
 - a. The agenda and QR code to the survey will be sent out via email.
 - b. Senate Executive Meetings are at 7:00am on Thursdays; all senators must attend at least one per semester.
 - c. Office hours will be sent out in an email soon.
 - d. Make sure to engage with students; they do not care about what they do not know about.
 - e. Three and a half months are left to get a lot of work done.
4. Liaisons
- a) Honors College – Luke Owens
 - a. Successful Welcome Week event last week behind Cater Hall; full of excited freshmen.
 - b. First Freshman Frenzy event in two years was held last Friday.
 - c. Leadership team had a productive retreat to Ristretto.
 - d. First general meeting is Wednesday at 7pm in Mell 2510.
 - e. Upcoming philanthropy event: Congress for Canines on September 17 on Cater Lawn from 3-5pm.
 - a. Partnering with Pups on the Plains.
 - b) Black Student Union – Donovan Evins
 - a. First General Assembly Meeting had a great turnout.
 - b. Successful Welcome Week events yielded a turnout of over 200.
 - c. Added a liaison drop box within General Assembly so he can collect feedback.
 - d. Implementing a Senate Update within BSU.
 - e. General Assembly meetings every Monday at 5pm.
 - f. Freshmen and transfer application deadlines are coming up.



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- c) Student Veterans Association – Liyah Stewart
 - a. Working hard to get prepared for the Fall.
 - b. She will be participating in Operation Iron Ruck.
 - c. There will be a point of contact for donations or volunteering with Operation Iron Ruck.
 - d. Other event was postponed until the Spring.

5. Current Orders

- a) PSSB: 21-0823-01 Reserve Fund Request for Bear Bama Food Drive
 - a. Reese Lisenby, At-Large
 - b. Senator Lisenby provides context.
 - c. Vote.
 - i. Motion passes.

6. Future Orders

- a) PSSB: 21-0830-01 College of Veterinary Medicine Schools Council Confirmation
 - a. Victoria Warren, College of Veterinary Medicine

Announcements

- a) Cole Callahan – Vice President
 - a. In meeting with Jamie, he was asked if there were three things he could accomplish before the end of his term, what they would be.
 - i. He wants everyone to focus on being a well-oiled Senate that follows procedures and is fully confident.
 - b. Yield time to Kaylie Ward.
 - i. Will do a Robert's Rules bootcamp at the beginning of each Senate.
 - ii. Proper procedure for presenting legislation as a Current Order.
 - iii. Proper procedure for presenting legislation as a Future Order.
 - c. Seven Office Hour signs are stored in Student Government Association Offices in Student Involvement Suite for use.

Adjournment 8:36