

SGA Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 4th, 2015
12:00 p.m. - CE 101

Call to Order:

Alex Jones
12:02 PM

Roll Call:

Mina Aamir
12:03 PM

- Those present were:
 - Ability Group
 - After Math
 - Ambassadors
 - AAUW
 - ASAP
 - Campus Christian Club- NH
 - CJSA
 - Digital Media Club
 - Earth Alliance
 - FASLI
 - Pride Alliance
 - Honors College
 - Women's Soccer Club
 - ISA
 - MSA
 - North Star News
 - Paralegal Association
 - Phi Theta Kappa
 - Show of Hands
 - SNA
 - Visual Arts Association

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes was given by the Honors College. Digital Media club seconded; Minutes were approved

Officer Reports:

President - Alex Jones (jonesalex3000@gmail.com)

- No Report

Vice President - Joel Lopez (joellopezjl96@gmail.com)

- The Malawi Project
 - The purpose of this project is to donate pill bottles to the country Malawi
 - Clean pill bottles will be collected throughout the month of February
 - All students and faculty are encouraged to donate

Secretary - Mina Aamir (mina.aamir@hotmail.com)

- Make sure to fill out Club Announcement Forms located at the back of the room if you want to make an announcement towards the end of the meeting

Parliamentarian - Debbie Stewart (Debbie.stewart.1212@gmail.com)

- No Report

A- Team President - Athziri Favela (athzirifavel@aol.com)

- Val's Dog Tag: Wednesday, November 11 from 10am-2pm (Courtyard)
- Air Hockey Tournament: Monday, November 23 from 3-4pm (SC 200)
- Stuff-a-Bear: Tuesday, December 1 from 11am-1pm (SC 200)
 - \$3 participation fee
 - All money collected will be donated to NAM (Northwest Assistance Ministries)

Night School Representative - Vineta Young (vineta.young@live.com)

- Survey for night school students
 - Purpose is to get students more involved
- CORNucopia: Wednesday, November 18 from 5:30-7pm (Courtyard)
 - FREE CORNdogs, popCORN, CORNy shirts
- Stuff-a-Bear: (for evening students) Monday, November 30 from 5-7pm (SC 200)
 - \$3 participation fee
 - All money collected will be donated to NAM (Northwest Assistance Ministries)

Victory Center Representative - Jacobie Backstrom (jacobie.backstrom@lonestar.edu)

- No Report

Victory Center Representative - Donald Williams (donald.b.williams@lonestar.edu)

- No Report

Greenspoint Representative - Vacant

- No Report

Advisor Reports:

Staff Advisor - Dan Mitsven (dan.mitsven@lonestar.edu)

- Fall Harvest Grocery Give-Away
 - Houston Food Bank: November 24 from 9am- 12pm
 - 2 hour commitment
 - Dan yielded the floor to Dana Esposito
 - Dana gave more details about the event
 - Giving out food people may need for Thanksgiving
 - Food truck volunteers needed (about 25-30)
 - Spring semester: Distribution will be twice a month.
 - Dan stated clubs will get a \$100 funding for a community service project
 - Commitment of 2 hours
 - Question asked: How many members need to be present to receive funding?
 - It depends on the club capacity.
- Club Requirement Updates
 - Clubs that have not completed requirements; funds are frozen
 - AASA
 - CCC- Greenspoint
 - CCC- Victory
 - E.L.I.T.E
 - Film Club
 - Tennis
 - Basketball
 - LASO- NH
 - LDSSA
 - SAGE

- SNA
- Upbeat Dance Group

Faculty Advisor - Shae Adkins (shae.j.adkins@lonestar.edu)

- VIP Early Registration starts November 11
 - Student Leaders needed for VIP Early Registration event
 - November 11 at 10am.
 - Food, raffles, prizes, etc
- Welcomed new student organizations:
 - Visual Arts Association
 - American Welding Society
 - Psi Beta

Old Business:

- No Old Business

New Business:

- MSA gave a motion to present a resolution for Interfaith Room; FASLI seconded
 - List Pros and Cons for the resolution to give room for critical thinking
 - Clubs leaders need to present resolution discuss with their members; December meeting will consist of a debate
 - Resolution will be sent out to club leaders
 - Pros:
 - Meditation helps with stressful college life
 - Recognizes a person's religion
 - Helps with one's physical, emotional and spiritual aspects
 - Rid of confusion as to where people can pray
 - Provide students with a place where they may perform their mandatory prayers
 - Give information about other faiths
 - Nurses want their own on their campus (Health & professions)
 - Other pros listed in the resolution
 - Cons/ Questions
 - Vandalism
 - Loitering
 - Security
 - liability issues: to relieve responsibility, have turns monitoring room
 - Question asked: Who would be able to design the room
 - Was discussed in the joint meeting (MSA & CCC). Have a shelf to keep things and have a mutual space
 - Hours and ground rules
 - Availability of space
 - Any budget/staffing issues
 - How to make sure no group is left out
 - Question: Any temporary room that can be used as a meditation room
 - Deferred to Dan. It may not.
 - Motion to close discussion and table till December meeting was given by Dan; motion seconded by Phi Theta Kappa. Motion was passed.
- Pride Alliance gave a motion to present resolution to add Gender Identity/ Expression in nondiscrimination policy; FASLI seconded

- Pros
 - Safer for all students
 - Clarity on issues
 - More pros listed in resolution
- Cons/ Questions
 - gender is already listed in the anti discrimination policy
 - possible bullying or harassment
 - implications for restrooms/lockers
 - Safe haven?
 - Enforcement of Policy
- Background of the issue was presented by Dan
- Motion to close discussion and table till December meeting was given by Dan. Earth Alliance seconded; motion was passed

Campus Concerns, Questions, Compliments:

- No campus concerns, questions, or compliments

Announcements:

- Digital Media Club: Contact Design and Print to have flyers, banners, and business cards designed for clubs
- Paralegal Association: partnering with Houston Metropolitan to host Toys for Tots toy drive on December 1 at 6:00pm (A 126)
- Phi Theta Kappa: Will be hosting a food drive. Food will be collected from students
- Show of Hands: Will be hosting a blanket drive for new or gently used blankets through November 2-23 (A 161). Blankets will be distributed to the homeless

Roll call out:

Mina Aamir

1:08 p.m.

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Meeting closure:

Motion to adjourn meeting was given by Pride Alliance and seconded by Honors College; motion passed and meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.