



UNT SGA 52nd Student Senate Fall 2019 Session
Ogbu & Shah Administration
09/18/2019

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Officer Reports

a. Student Allocations – Raupe

- i. 1. Committee meetings have signed code of conduct. First committee hearing on Thursday

b. Student Allocations – Eagle's Nest

- i. 1. Processing application

c. Outreach

- i. 1. Working on getting staff on orgsync. Campus wide and departmental committees have been filled. Next Thursday 12-2 tabling for student concerns. Contact for help with tabling. Trying to contact Dr. With to present at president dinner. Trying to participate in world fair.

d. Governmental Affairs

- i. 1. Voter registration table at climate strike. National voter registration event September 24. Looking to get
 1. Senator Asia : do we have material promoting the event for orgs to help table?
 2. Deana: reaching out to orgs 1 on 1 but contact her for more info.

e. Communications

- i. 1. Starting comprehensive contact list for administration and others. Helping out with climate strike and national voter registration day. Working on perfecting the SGA website. Headshots October 2, email him if you can't make the headshots.



1. Senator Devon: do you hope to have website completed in 2 weeks? Or a rough idea in 2 weeks?
2. Noah: hopefully in 2 weeks he will have an idea of things to accomplish by then.

f. Strategic Planning Director

- i. 1. First intern meeting. Meeting with the president tomorrow concerning minimum wage.

g. Chief of Staff

- i. 1. Planning for the climate strike this week. They've been planning for the voter registration event. Scheduling staff 1 on 1s. Issues with scheduling with the union. Planning for judicial board meeting.
 1. Senator Keaton: (question for deana) if were tabling for voter registration day, do we have to go through SGA event or on our own?
 2. Senator Deana: Just email her. She can take care of the orgs, she just needs to make sure people are at the table.
 3. Senator Asia: how can I volunteer for the strike?
 4. Hanlyn: contact them, mainly crowd control and starting chants
 5. Allison: Do we have to wear SGA polos?
 6. Hanlyn: No

h. President

- i. 1. Best way to be involved with strike is to be there. Fill out form if you are interested in speaking during the climate strike
- ii. Friday 11-1 at library mall. Poster making party tomorrow union 382. Should hear back about Advocacy committees soon.

i. Vice President

- i. 1. Set up office hours by the end of the week. Set up 1 on 1s with Hillary. Progress about the clickers. Email on SGAVP email for questions.



1. Senator Daniel: can we choose office hours that work for us now?
 - a. Speaker: You have priority for your time slots due to you responding on time

IV. Old Business

- a. September 11th Meeting Minutes Approval
 - i. 1. Minutes Approved

V. New Business

- a. F2019 - R1 - Fair Disciplinary Action for Drug Policy Violations
 - i. Senator Daniel: Where are the statistics on other drugs (opioids etc)? How can we make sure that students aren't in possession of more harmful drugs such as cocaine?
 1. Devon: we are trying to make sure first-time offenses give the opportunity to make the right decision. Want opportunity for rehabilitation and education. We can get statistics on opioids/schedule 1 drugs and follow up. Want to show alcohol that alcohol can be as dangerous as other drugs.
 - ii. Senator Asia: could we consider making education mandatory?
Devon: we can fix and look at wording. It is our intention to send to rehabilitation services rather than penalty
 - iii. Senator Jennifer: gave statistics why drugs are bad, state we already make exception for alcohol, why are we providing statistics on alcohol?
Devon: alcohol related penalties are less than other drugs. Want to make sure alcohol is put on the same level as other drugs.
 - iv. Senator Subecha: catering toward alcohol, should add more awareness to other drugs.



Senator Devon: want to make sure first-time drug offenders have a second chance on campus. Intention is to rehabilitate first time offenders.

- v. Senator Victory: Talked about leaving racial part, would you consider taking out racial aspect?

Devon: intention was not to blame racial minorities.

Currently dean of students has a wide range of penalties, want to make sure there's no bias in penalties. Language is not intended to target.

- vi. Senator Victory: what will be penalty other than what is given by criminal justice system?

Devon: suggestion is that they're sent to rehabilitation services so they can then be a part of the unt community once again.

- vii. Senator Asia: Mention alcohol and exceptions, everyone else why not talk about all other drugs and claim why don't we put on the same level as alcohol and marijuana.

Devon: currently if you're penalized for marijuana and alcohol they can still apply heavy penalties for marijuana. It's our belief that response should be educational. Want to decrease penalties for first time offenses. Our job as a university is to educate.

- viii. Senator Keaton: why aren't the statistics about the positive on rehabilitation rather than negative effects? Why trying to demonize alcohol when the goal is to make none of them demonized?

Devon: statistics were meant to inform; goal is to make sure students on campus have educational responses to that. If statistics are of concern, we can reassess. Impossible to add every drug.



- ix. Senator Enzo: in the statistics, you have men and women, but later break it down to demographic, would you be open to making amendment to appropriately reflect?

Senator Chris: I see that you're trying to change university policy How do you separate repeat offenders who haven't been caught and those who are first time drug offenders?

1. Devon: they are first time offenders to the university it is our hope that

Senator Daniel: have you considered change in campus culture? A lot of drugs have drug related violence, have you thought of change of campus climate?

Robert's rules suspended for remainder of the meeting meeting

b. Legislation Breakout and Action Plans

c. Senate Standing Committees

- i. All senators are required to serve on one internal (standing) committee and one external committee
- ii. The Student Senate shall be empowered to create Ad Hoc Committees to consider specific issues and/or pieces of legislation. Ad Hoc Committees shall exist until the resolution of their purpose or the end of the academic year, whichever comes first.
 1. Student Affairs and Resources
 2. Environmental & Sustainability
 - a. We mean green fund member application is open, contact Emily Bilick if you want to be on we mean green fund
 3. Bylaws & Constitution
 4. Intergovernmental
 5. Equity and Diversity



a. Equity and diversity committee is an advocacy committee

6. Interpersonal Violence

a. Womens resources (advocacy committee)

b. Disability inclusion (advocacy)

c. Students want: nutrition committee, or first gen committee, they will be created in spring if not elected

7. Senator Asia: Art closet: a closet, with hopes to fill with art supplies. Trying to make a committee for art closet to help closet run on its own, eventually.

d. Senator Angie: want a committee getting people out to the polls, committee who are willing to get deputized and getting campus more involved in local politics, working toward getting polling location on campus. This is specifically for senators to be deputized.

i. Noah: city and state relations is working on that.

Internal committees are mainly for legislation

8. Senatorial ethics: meant to document senators not wearing polos, dress code, etc.

e. Commitees (8) approved unanimously:

i. Student Affairs and Resources

ii. Environmental & Sustainability

iii. Bylaws & Constitution

iv. Intergovernmental

v. Equity and Diversity

vi. Interpersonal Violence

vii. Art Closet

viii. Senetorial Ethics (official name TBD)

VI. Announcements



- a. **BSU inauguration is tomorrow 5:30 in the union**
- b. **Make a difference day contact Senator Victory for information**
- c. **Message Devon for concerns on legislation**

VII. Adjournment – 7:42