



March 15, 2021 – SGA Senate Session

Price Auditorium

Start Time: 5:30 PM

Facilitator: Jasmine Patin, Vice President of the Student Government Association

- I. Call to order**
 - a. 5:30 PM**
- II. Roll call**
 - a. Quorum has not been met**
- III. Approval of the minutes from Last Meeting**
 - a. Last meeting minutes have been approved**
- IV. Officer reports**
 - a. President Trevion Wilson**
 - i. Transparency Flyer**
 - 1. Has been updated**
 - 2. Encourages Senators to provide feedback or reach out if they would like to see anything added/changed**
 - ii. Project: LUPD for Student Org Consistent Pricing**
 - 1. Next step: To contact Dr. McNeil and have her sign the resolution, then send the approved legislation to Mr. Shaver**
 - 2. Needs to be discussed in a proper meeting because it requires a co-sponsorship and a budget change**

- iii. **Informs Senators that if they complete legislation it needs to be sent to Dr. McNeil and himself so they can provide the necessary signatures to make it official**
 - iv. **Encourages Senators to stay persistent with attending sessions and working on projects and to finish out the semester strong as students need us now more than ever**
 - v. **Caleb's Greek Plaque Project**
 - 1. **Update: Caleb has reached out to Ms. Elizabeth and is waiting on a response**
 - 2. **Informed Caleb that he needs to send him the completed legislation to sign**
 - vi. **SGA Safety Walk**
 - 1. **Date/Time: March 24th at 6 PM in the Ballroom**
 - 2. **Followed up with Mr. Shaver to make sure snacks/refreshments are being ordered**
 - 3. **Will be contacting Senator Tyler Martin to further discuss the details of the event**
- b. Vice President Jasmine Patin**
- i. **Project: Inclusive Palettes**
 - 1. **Sent a follow-up email to Mr. Boyd and waiting on a response – will stop by his office soon**
 - 2. **Has finalized desired meal options**
 - 3. **Resolution will be presented in the next Senate Session**

ii. New Project:

1. Purpose: Increase visual representation of diversity in the Setzer Center

2. Reached out to Ms. Rodriguez to inquire about this

iii. Has signed-up for The Big Event and encourages Senators to sign-up as well

iv. Flying Cardinals Mentorship Program

1. Retreat Date: March 30th

2. More details coming soon

3. Resolution will be presented in the next Senate Session

c. Sec.-Treasurer Taliah Belcher

i. Project: Campus Sustainability (Partnered with Trevion)

1. Followed-up with Parking and they are waiting to hear from their supervisor

2. Currently brainstorming alternative ideas to the parking ticket relief program

3. Next meeting with Professor Flosi scheduled for March 18th

V. Senator reports

a. Senator Tiffany Tran

i. Project: College of Arts and Sciences Student Committee

1. Waiting on the Deans to make their nominations for student candidates

- a. Execs would like an estimated date of when the members will be appointed
 - ii. Project: Science and Technology Building Hours Extension
 - 1. Scheduled a meeting with Dr. Lin
 - iii. Project: SGA Suggestion Box Beautification
 - 1. Has been receiving interest from students to help paint
 - b. Senator Caleb Love
 - i. Working to finalize Greek Plaque Proposal
 - c. Senator Mya Lincoln
 - i. Project: Customizable Meal Plan
 - 1. Looking to meet with Mr. Boyd soon
 - 2. Almost done with Resolution – meeting with Execs on Wednesday to finalize everything
 - d. Senator Caroline LeBlanc
 - i. Not Present
 - e. Senator Katelynn Haynes
 - i. Not Present
 - f. Senator Jasmine Martin
 - i. Event: Let's Talk About Grad School
 - 1. Date/Time: March 25th and 26th from 10 AM - 5 PM via Zoom
 - 2. Graduate Program Reps have been confirmed and will be meeting with them on Thursday

3. PR is currently making the flyer

g. Senator Cade Pellerin

i. Project: Increase Disaster Preparedness

1. Was told the University already maintains a stockpile of water

**a. Will be emailing the Finance Department soon to
confirm and inquire for more information**

h. Senator Kaylee Goodspeed

i. Project: Course Cost Survey

1. Ms. Born said an exemption form would not be needed

**2. Met with Dr. Kang and he expressed some concerns — he
suggested to instead collect pricing info from Barnes and Noble
and to create an index from this**

**3. Will be meeting with Ms. Born to confirm that an exemption
form is not needed and to hopefully find a solution to push the
project forward**

ii. Project: Sensory Safe Space

**1. Will be meeting with Dr. Mutz to brainstorm survey questions
and to discuss feedback from the Task Force**

**2. Will be following-up with Ms. Byers and Dr. Harm from
College Connect to schedule a meeting**

i. Senator Maurio Stevens

i. Project: Co-sponsorship Funds

1. This project is dependent upon what the student organization wants to use the funds for

ii. Currently looking for a new project

j. Senator Alexia Morgan

i. Project: Increase Course Consistency (Partnered with Caroline)

1. Contacted the Academic Advising Center and will be emailing the Director soon to set up a meeting

2. Emailed Dr. Nichols and waiting on a response

3. Planning to contact the Cardinal Community coordinator to discuss helping students in Cardinal Communities get on a 4-year degree track

ii. Project: MathLab to be available on weekends

1. Looking into having this as a pilot program during the Fall semester instead of the Summer

iii. The Org Sync button has now been changed to a LU Hub button on LU Connect

k. Senator Mykayla Johnson

i. Project: Increase Housing Options

1. Project at a standstill — has not been receiving helpful responses from apartment complexes

2. Will be emailing the Housing Director soon

ii. Project: Guest/Day Passes in the Rec Center

1. Emailed Mr. Shaver and he said they will review it for the Fall semester because it involves policy changes

a. He recommends writing legislation as it will help strengthen the case

I. Senator Tyler Martin

i. Project: TalkSpace

1. Will be taking a break from this project to work with Jailen Brown from the Executive Cabinet on a collective project about mental health resources

a. Will be creating a GroupMe and meeting soon to discuss ideas and next steps

VI. Old business

a. None

VII. New business

a. None

VIII. Open forum

a. Please let Alexia know if you will be absent and make sure to send her your report

b. The Athletic Council is looking for ways to increase student engagement at athletic events — Please reach out to Senator Tyler Martin if you have any ideas

i. Ideas: Hold a pep rally (with the band, cheerleaders, player, dancers, etc.) to advertise upcoming games; Partner with other organizations

on campus and hold events; Have student org shoutouts during games; Have tailgating events

1. Senator Tyler Martin will be reaching out to Dr. Shannon and Mr. Born with these ideas

c. Jasmine encourages Senators to start finalizing projects as there are only two Senate Sessions left

i. Senators are reminded that Execs are available during office hours or they are welcome to schedule a time to meet

IX. Advisor Comments

a. Encourages students to reach out to Ms. Pulliam, Mr. Canaan, and himself if they are having issues with LU Hub

b. Room occupancy has not been increased – anticipated to stay at 25% capacity through the end of the semester

c. Reminds students that Lamar still requires masks and social distancing inside on-campus buildings

d. Greek week raised a significant amount of money towards the scholarship they created for students in the Beaumont School System

e. The SGA Candidate page has been created – can be accessed at lamar.edu/sga

f. SGA elections will be March 24th and 25th – students can use computers in the Setzer Center to vote from 10 AM - 3 PM on both of these days

X. Announcements

a. SGA Safety Walk: March 24th at 6 PM in the Ballroom

- b. Let's Talk About Grad School Event: March 25th and 26th from 10 AM - 5 PM via Zoom**
 - i. Senators are encouraged to attend**
- c. The SGA campaign window is currently open**
- d. Keep an eye out for emails from the Student Health Center about administering COVID-19 vaccines**
 - i. Students are recommended to apply for the vaccine even if they are not eligible, as there is still a chance they will receive it if they have some leftover**

XI. Adjournment

- a. Adjourned at 6:21 PM**