

Minutes of the 105th SMU Student Senate

January 29, 2019

Regular Meeting – Hughes - Trigg Forum

1. Call to Order
2. Values Statement
   1. *I, as a citizen of the SMU community, commit myself to upholding the values of intellectual integrity, academic honesty, personal responsibility, and sincere regard and respect for all SMU students, faculty, and staff.*
3. Moment of Silence
4. First Roll Call
5. Approval of the Minutes
6. Approval of the Agenda
7. Speaker’s Podium
   1. Anne Kindseth, Meadows Museum
   2. Dr. Rita Economos
8. Reports of the Committees with New or Old Business
   1. Finance Committee

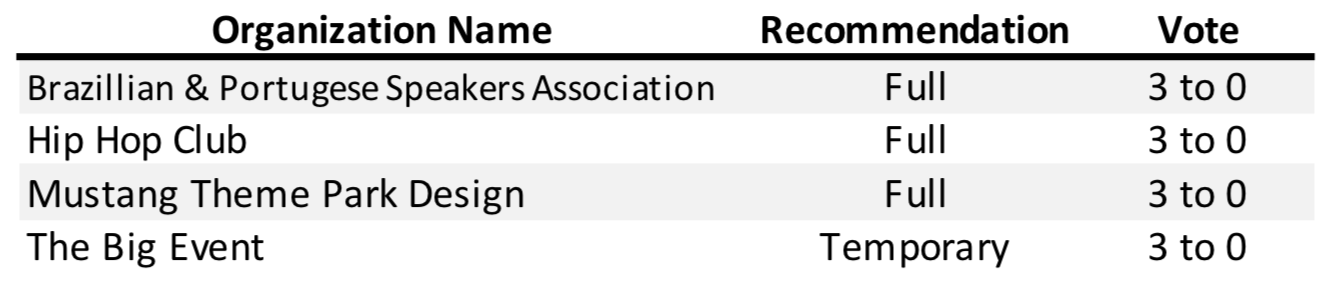
New Business

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| Date of Request | Organization | Vote | Amount Requested | Amount Allocated | Name | Email |
| 1/27/2019 | The Big Event | 5-0-0 | 2983 | 2633 | Matthew Hutnyan | [mhutnyan@smu.edu](mailto:mhutnyan@smu.edu) |
| 1/27/2019 | Mustang Theme Park Design | 5-0-0 | 1033 | 1033 | James Stine | [jastine@smu.edu](mailto:jastine@smu.edu) |
| 1/27/2019 | Spectrum | 5-0-0 | 3543 | 2844 | Maria Georgious | [mgeorgious@smu.edu](mailto:mgeorgious@smu.edu) |
| 1/27/2019 | SMU Naturals | 5-0-0 | 41 | 39 | Alexa Clinton | [lclinton@smu.edu](mailto:lclinton@smu.edu) |
| 1/27/2019 | SMU Naturals | 5-0-0 |  |  |  |  |

Old Business

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| Organization | Vote | Amount Requested | Amount Allocated | Name | Email |
| SMU Mustang Martial Arts | 9-0-0 | $100 | $100 | Priyanka Pohar | [ppohar@smu.edu](mailto:ppohar@smu.edu) |
| SMU Chinese Student Association | 8-0-0 | $4,525 | $4,510 | Megan Sham | [msham@smu.edu](mailto:msham@smu.edu) |
| Sports and Entertainment Law Association | 8-0-0 | $1,900 | $900 | Nathan Shackelford | [nshackelford@smu.edu](mailto:nshackelford@smu.edu) |
| Mustang Heroes |  | Semester Budget Appeal |  | Carson Snyder |  |
| Indian Student Association |  | Semester Budget Appeal |  | Kerman Ahluwalia |  |
| National Society of Black Engineers |  | Semester Budget Appeal |  | Enyi Asonye |  |
| Global Medical Brigade | 8-0-0 | $65 | $65 | Allison Kim | [afkim@smu.edu](mailto:afkim@smu.edu) |
| SMU Computer Science Club | 8-0-0 | $5,231 | $5,062 | Momin Irfan | [mirfan@smu.edu](mailto:mirfan@smu.edu) |
| Pi Tau Sigma |  | Semester Budget Review |  | Natalie Jacks |  |
| Association of Black Students |  | $10,000 | TABLED | Darriana Druery | [ddruery@smu.edu](mailto:ddruery@smu.edu) |
| Mock Trial |  | $2,388 |  | Andrew Tomsovic | [atomsovic@smu.edu](mailto:atomsovic@smu.edu) |

b. Organizations Committee



1. New Business
   1. S-105-12: A Resolution on Opposing Moving the Boulevard- Senator Enslin
2. Old Business
   1. S-105-10: A Resolution on Updating the Role of the Parliamentarian- Senator Hutnyan
   2. S-105-11: A Resolution on Maintaining and Archiving Livestreams of Student Senate Chamber Meetings- Senator Gonzalez
3. Senatorial Forum
4. Collaboration Group Time (20 Minutes)
5. Officer Reports
6. Reports of the Senate Advisors
7. Committee Reports
8. Announcements
9. Second Roll Call
10. Adjournment

**Written Reports of the Officers**

Nathan DeVera, President

Hello all! Looking forward to another great week for us.

Senate Membership

We are in the process of filling a large number of chamber vacancies, so please reach out to anyone that you think would be interested in joining our family! Applications will be up on our Connect page. This is going to be a team effort!

E-Scooter Update (Repeated for those not in chamber this past week)

Dr Mmeje, our Vice President for Student Affairs, and his team have been working very hard to bring Bird and Lime Scooters to campus in an organized fashion to begin the 6-month "Beta test" that University Park has sanctioned. They want to pair with Senate to organize an event that we can spearhead as a type of "Launch Party" by the flagpole where students can check out the scooters, play games, and so on. Who is interested in helping organize this??

Boulevard & Game Day 2019-2020

We had our first meeting to talk about the 2019-2020 Football Gameday experience, comprised of students, Student Affairs, Athletics, SMUPD, Dining, and other stakeholders. We are in the early steps of planning what exactly this will look like with the relocation to the Mustang Mall strip, so please feel free to share any ideas that you or your friends might have! I will happily bring it to the committee to discuss with the other students and with administration.

Upcoming

- Dean of Students Candidate Interview [Monday 1:30 pm]

- Harold Stanley, VP Executive Affairs [Wednesday 2 pm]

- Student Health Advisory Board [Wednesday 4 pm]

- Dean of Students Candidate Interview [Thursday 2:30 pm]

Please reach out if I can be of service to any of you!

- Your Friendly Neighborhood SBP

Victor Sanchez, Vice President

To Give Oral Report.

Darian Taylor, Secretary

No report submitted.

Kathy Hines, Graduate Affairs Officer

Great news: we have more Graduate students interested in Student Senate.

Ben Prengler, Speaker

Boulevard developments and its meaning for Senate.

Ben Ovenshire, Chief of Staff

Oral report.

Zach Kosub, Parliamentarian

No report submitted.

**Written Reports of the Senate Advisors**

Jennifer (JJ) Jones, Senate Advisor

Let’s have real talk, why Senate

· Teach for America applications are due February 3rd.

Hilltop award nominations are now open, they close February 18

Dawn Norris, Senate Advisor

· The final Associate Vice President & Dean of Students candidate town hall presentation is at 10 am in the Forum on 2/1. All students are welcome.

· Join the Club (spring involvement fair), tomorrow 1/30 from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm at the flagpole. Stop by to support the Senate table!

· Hilltop Excellence Awards – nominate deserving students before 2/18 @ 7 am on Connect.

**Written Reports of the Committees:**

Molly Patrick, Student Concerns Chair

Our speaker is coming Tuesday February 19th and has an event from 12-2 and then is speaking later that evening.

She needs volunteers, or "ambassadors", to help her with her Dallas Lawn activity from 12-2. You get a free t-shirt as well as supporting Senate! Please let me know if you're able to help contribute.

Zach Kosub, Internal Affairs Chair

No report submitted.

Megan Janus, Communications Chair

Nothing new to report from me.

Naomi Samuel, Diversity and Inclusion Chair

Our annual D&I week this year will be April 1st-5th! More details to come, but it will revolve around having conversations on topics of identity/beliefs with people we don't usually get to do it with.

Had a meeting with Dr.Celbowski this past Friday on the First Year Experience, a course that can act as a student's PRW. Talked a lot about what course facilitators and its spring committee are doing to foster productive spaces for students of all backgrounds, and how SMU's CIQ committee students can connect with efforts to revamp the course.

Christian Parker, Endowment Chair

I have nothing to report beyond that which was covered last week. You all will get updates.

We are still well-endowed.

Benjamin Horton, Finance Chair

See Committee New and Old Business

Turner Hinrichs, Investments Chair

No report submitted.

VACANT, Membership Chair

No report submitted.

Chris Earles, Organizations Chair

If you are interested in serving on the Organizations Committee, please reach out to me at cearles@smu.edu or (952) 500-2613!

VACANT, Scholarship Chair

No report submitted.

**Minutes:**

Minutes from last week - approved via unanimous consent

Agenda:

* Kosub: Motion to add S-105-13: SSO Vacancy
* Hutnyan: S-105-10: Motion to Table
* Approved via Unanimous Consent

Speaker’s Podium:

* Ana from Meadows:
  + Please help get word out about College Night, Feb, 8th from 9-11: Fortuni on a Friday
  + Fortuni died very young and is not a household name.
  + There will be a vintage Photo Booth, art making, portraits, party illustrator, gallery talks, games, dessert bar, etc.
  + Free T-shirt and Button
  + Share the FB Event
* Dr. Rita Economist, Earth Scientist Professor
  + She studies Magmas
  + Applied for a grant to do research, but hasn’t received it yet because of government shutdown.
  + Kosub: Do you know of any other faculty members who are experiencing lack of funding, etc?
    - All NSF funding is on hold right now.
  + Anastasi: How much was your budget?
    - Budget was $480,000
  + Gonzalez: Are you worried that the will be even more delays?
    - Yes. Absolutely.
  + Devera: Is the microscope tech. proprietary to NSF or are there 3rd parties that could help fund the project.
    - Yes, I will be looking for outside funding
  + Was anyone effected in the humanities?
    - Yes
  + Pittman: Is there a way for SMU to loan you the money?
    - If I got one more step further, SMU could’ve loaned me the money.

Finance:

* Pittman: Motion to see old business in block - motion carries
* Pittman: Motion to approve old business in block - motion approved

New Business:

* S-105-13
  + When Officers resign, we need to replace them.
* S-105-12
  + Pittman: Where is it in Box?
  + Devera: Yield time to me
    - We are trying to enhance the decision together,
  + Gonzalez: Yield time to me
    - I have received a lot of feedback
  + Hutnyan: Do you have any reservations if this were to pass and it didn’t pass unanimously about it saying the entire student senate
    - Yes
  + Sanchez: How does this differ from the original letter
  + Sanchez: What impact are you trying to have in regards to writing this bill?
  + Devera: Considering our low membership right now, would you be opposed to tabling it until we get more people?
  + Devera: Did you know that whether we pass it this week or next week, we are all the same?
  + Anastasi: Do you think it would be more effective to include the cooperation statement to your current legislation
    - We are not in protest of the move, just in opposition in the decision to move.
* S-105-11
  + Devera: Would this obligation would go under the Secretary or Comm Chair?
  + Jan: Who is going to be doing the live stream?
    - It is not currently listed
  + Pittman: Was cost discussed at all?
    - Senate can request funding from itself
  + Kosub: Have you thought about people who do not want to filmed and on the internet forever?
    - I have thought about that a lot
  + Hutnyan:
  + Kim: Maybe making the live streams expire
  + Enslin: Would you be opposed to having someone sit in the
* Collab Group Time
* Officer Reports:
* Devera:
  + We have low membership, but that’s okay
* Sanchez
* Kosub
  + Devera: Sigma Chi?
    - From what I understand, is that Sigma Chi is going to be moved and the old building will used for summer camps
  + Whitaker: Are you aware of the upset around the meadows renovations?
    - No.
  + Whitaker: Are you also aware of the Daniel Construction and that it will displace the mic housing?
    - No.
  + Hines: Water fountains in perkins?
    - Perkins is reviving major renovations