

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION MEETING
2007-2008
SENATE
October 29, 2007

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Senate Chair Justin Benoit at 5:04 pm.
2. **PLEDGE:** The pledge was led by College of the Sciences Senator, Alan Arabie.
3. **ROLL CALL:** The following senate members were absent at this meeting: Erika Colvin, Jason Boyd, Jessica Hebert, Mallory Broussard, Mindy Boudreaux, Bhrea' Jones, Laura Bullinger, Jaime Hebert, Kimberly Wooten, Elise Peltier, Moriah Istre, Saah Khan, Josh Brannen, Jonathan Bourque, Grant Guidry, and Anthony Livaccarai.
4. **MINUTES:** The minutes were approved as written.
5. **EXECUTIVE REPORTS:**
 - A. **PRESIDENT:**
 - President Urbanowski asked each member of the senate to send her a question to be asked to the candidates for the UL presidential position. They will be on campus on November 12th. As for the nation's presidential candidates, if you have a question to pose to them, you can email it to her but she's not promising that they will be allowed to ask questions.
 - President Urbanowski informed the senate that the Up 'til Dawn applications are to be turned in by November 1st.
 - President Urbanowski was very disappointed that not one SGA member has volunteered to help for the "X-treme Spring Break. She once again pleaded for volunteers to help with this huge project that UL has taken on as a UL System initiative. Students from all the Louisiana Systems in Louisiana will participate.
 - President Urbanowski informed the senate that we have been invited to participate in COSGA, a huge conference at Texas A&M. The conference is in February but you have to pay your own way. The web site to get more information is cosga.tamu.edu.
 - B. **VICE PRESIDENT:**
 - Vice President Arnette announced that SGA has a large format printer. It is hooked up to SGA's lap top. He asked Senator DuBois for help in showing him how to use it.
 - Vice President Arnette announced that absences have become a problem. He wrote a letter to each person who has missed a meeting so far. That person also gets half an absence for missing the meeting of whichever committee that person belongs to. This rule is according to the By Laws.
 - Vice President Arnette announced that he has emailed everyone information about the UL presidential candidates.

- Vice President Arnette urged everyone to look over the amendment to the By Laws that the Big 3 really wants to put in place.

C. TREASURER:

- Treasurer Coscart announced that she handed out the college budgets only to the presidents because of the lack of time. She will definitely have an updated budget for everyone next week after taking out the funds from the appropriations passed today.
- Treasurer Coscart announced that she has a Lyceum committee meeting tomorrow for the last time for this semester.
- Treasurer Coscart announced that she will send out an email informing everyone the amount of funds that have been spend so far on Lyceum requests.
- Treasurer Coscart was disappointed that she hadn't received any bulletin board pictures yet. She is still waiting. You can just email a picture if that makes it easier for you.
- Treasurer Coscart announced that the College Education, Sciences, and Business have not taken a group picture yet so Ms. Sandra will bring the camera next week so be sure and wear your shirt. You could take your picture before or after the meeting.
- Treasurer Coscart requested that everybody pay special attention to President Gary's Pubic Relations report that discusses Coffee Hour.
- The Freshmen Elections are today and tomorrow with the results being announced at 5 pm tomorrow.
- Treasurer Coscart reminded everyone to change their clocks Saturday night.

D. SENATE CHAIR

- It was voted to go into Closed Session to enable Senate Chair Benoit to speak to the senate about certain issues.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: President Gary asked to suspend with the Rules and move #1 under New Business to #1 under Unfinished Business.

1. Resolution #1 passed.
2. Appropriation #1 passed.
3. Appropriation #2, amended version passed.
4. Amendment #2, passed.
5. Appropriation #3 passed.
6. Appropriation #4 passed.
7. Appropriation #5, tabled for one week.

7. NEW BUSINESS

1. Appropriation #6, read by President Domingue.

8 COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Appropriations:** No report.
- B. Greek:** Senate Merrett announced that applications for staff assistants are due November 5th. The diversity talk is November 6th.
- C. Grievance:** No report.

- D. ISC:** No report..
- E. Judicial Branch:** Chief Justice Domangue announced that the Freshman Elections are today and tomorrow with the results being announced tomorrow at 5 pm. There will be an ad in this week's Vermilion advertising some vacancies in SGA. The Judicial Branch did a community service project Sunday morning instead of having a meeting Sunday night. They helped out at St. Joseph's Diner. They put up the Election signs around campus.
- F. Public Relations:** President Gary announced that the Coffee Hour will be held at Sidelines on November 2nd. She would like at least one person from each college to attend. The display case in the Union still needs a picture from the College of Business, Sciences, and Education.
- G. Rules:** No report.
- H. SSD:** No report.
- I. UPC:** No report.
- 9. COLLEGE REPORTS:**
(College reports given on the 2nd and 4th meetings of the month.).
- 10. SPECIAL REPORT**
- Senate Chair Benoit assigned each SGA member to an External committee. Check your email for the complete list soon.
- 11. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
1. Justice Lopez announced that hockey games are now played at the hockey plex in Carencro. Next weekend the team will be up against LSU. He will be cooking a huge pot of gumbo and invited everyone to the game and eat some of his gumbo.
 2. President Urbanowski asked Senators Trahan, Rogers, Carlini, and Castille to speak with her after tonight's meeting.
 3. Senator Hebert invited everyone to attend a performance at Angelle Hall this weekend at 2 pm.
 4. President Domingue announced that the Disney College Program will be on campus this week.
 5. Senator Williams announced that he will be performing at Bisbano's on Saturday.
 6. Treasurer Coscarart announced the cleaning of Martin Hall project that President Boudreaux has organized will be held this Saturday .He wants to pressure wash the front, because a special event is being planned for Dr. Authement. She told anyone who wished to volunteer can meet the others at the Student Union at 9am..
 7. Treasurer Coscarart announced that tomorrow is Halloween. Thursday is a holy day of Obligation (All Saint's Day) and Friday is "All Soul's Day". Masses will be said at Our Lady Wisdom at noon.
 8. Treasurer Coscarart announced that she is in a group that will be Trick-or-Treating in the Saints Street area, but instead of asking for treats, they will be asking for canned goods to be given out to the poor. She informed the Senate that whatever you bring will be greatly appreciated.
 9. Vice President Arnette asked President Boudreaux to take pictures of his

Martin Hall project to put on SGA's website. SGA has hired a new webmaster, but he is waiting on some information from the previous webmaster.

10. Senate Chair Benoit announced that this Saturday the Showcase of Louisiana will be held all day at Cajun Field. High School bands from all over Louisiana will be performing as well as the UL Band.
 11. Senate Chair Benoit asked to speak to Senator Prouet after tonight's meeting.
 12. Vice President Arnette informed the students that they will be getting an email soon from him.
 13. Ms. Sandra informed the Senate that her son-in-law who had a brain Tumor ran in a marathon race for the cure of brain tumors last weekend in Manhattan. He wore a yellow shirt because he is a survivor.
- 13. ADJOURNMENT** was at 5:59 pm.