

# Student Government Association

## The University of Texas at Tyler

*February 13th, 2024, Minutes*

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Approval of Minutes**
- IV. Open Forum**
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- V. Speaker's Podium**
- VI. A. Dean of Students, Andy Pettee**
- VII. B. Housing and Residence Life Leadership**
  - All 200 spaces at the Foundry are prepared to be furnished for next year.
  - There is a new initiative being presented in the next 48hrs to rising junior, seniors and graduate students for housing. The housing office will host an event for students to be informed of housing opportunities in the area and what resources are available to them. (Discounted rates may be available)
  - The Tyler Transit is available to ALL UT Tyler students with their ID badge at no charge.
  - Dean Pettee advised rising juniors seniors and graduate students to go ahead and start looking for off campus housing.
    - If they need help, they can contact the housing office as they are prepared with two new staff members ready to assist these students in their search for housing.
  - Date for housing selection Feb 20<sup>th</sup>.
  - Dean Pettee will talk with financial aid to gain clarity on the way students will be able to pay their housing financial responsibilities with financial aid if they are living off campus.
- VIII. Officer Reports**
  - a.** President Dix- Is now the Secretary for UT SSAC.
  - b.** Vice-President Carnes- Meeting with the person in charge of the MET, doing Midnight Breakfast planning.
  - c.** Secretary Henry- Sent out minutes from last week's meeting and uploaded them to the Shared Drive. Worked on committee meeting planning. Working on ways to increase attendance at open forum.
  - d.** Treasurer Peters- Meeting with student orgs about funding, SGAC post that will be going out this week with new updates.
  - e.** Chief of Staff Chandler- Rules didn't meet last week. COS printed out the House Rules for today's meeting. She is working on amending the House Rules with rules committee as well. Finally, she is talking with President Dix about specifics of absences requests.
- IX. Committee Reports**
  - a.** Events- Discussed what will be on the menu for midnight breakfast potential to add French toast. Stuffed critters have been ordered. (a percentage will be taken for distance campuses)
  - b.** Communications- New deadline to have t-shirt designs submitted is Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>. Senator and Officer posts have been created and will be posted soon.
  - c.** SGAC- Met with pre-nursing patriots. (\$57.92) Met with First Gen. Patriots (\$47.75)
  - d.** Rules-n/a
  - e.** ESC-Met last week and went over attendance, talked more about the BIG EVENT.
- X. Student Voice Reports**
- XI. a. Honors College**
  - Coordinator has been out since Oct. 2023
  - Multiple Events Coming Up
- XII. b. School of Health Professions**
  - Lost an advisor has presented some challenges

- Gym has been remodeled.
- XIII.** c. School of Medicine
  - March 1<sup>st</sup> deadlines (Graduation, ETX Research Conference)
  - Renovations in the lab.
  - Old Business**
  - a. **Homecoming week GA meeting:** We will have a special session meeting to discuss details for Midnight Breakfast. Distance campus senators are exempt from attendance.
- XIV.** **New Business**
- XV.** a. **Break Room in Health Science Center**
  - Students at the Health Science Center can use the BMR, and Building H.
- b. Anchor Games Team Creation- TABLED UNTIL NEXT WEEKS MEETING
- c. Making ESC Trash Pick-up event Mandatory- TABLED UNTIL NEXT WEEKS MEETING
- XVI.** **Advisor Comments**
  - a. Josh Neaves
- XVII.** **Announcements**
- XVIII.** A. Sign up for the Big Event by February 16<sup>th</sup> (**REQUIRED EVENT!**)
- Next Week**
- XIX.** a.
- XX.** **Adjournment**

7pm