Senate Meeting
November 28, 2016

Call to Order: 7:05pm
Pledge: Senator Garza

Vice President Samantha Martinez 7:08pm-
Any amendments to the order of the day? None. Moving onto Item 5 approval of minutes? Yes, seconded by Senator Gonzalez.

President Andrew Homann 7:08pm-
Round table was a great showing and a great event. This was most definitely the largest crowd I’ve see that we have had. We have a couple resignations; Baca, Arredondo because of attendance. We are really striving to enforce attendance and are staying firm on our policy. If your senate seat is up please file for elections if you wish to proceed.

Vice President Samantha Martinez 7:10pm-
No guest speakers. Item 8 vp report. I wanted to remind everyone that there is a basketball game tomorrow night so I encourage everyone to go out if you are available. This saturday is the last football game and they’re really trying to push students to go. This will be the last commission of the semester so you should have put out a list of goals for next semester. End of report. Moving onto public forum. Camille Phillips adresses the senate to give an update.

Camille Phillips 7:12pm-
Last week I discov--

Vice President Samantha Martinez 7:18pm-
Item 10 cabinet reports.

Shnider 7:18pm-
I wanted to remind you that we are having our last house meeting. We are going to continue to discuss some things we've talked about particularly the recent protests and change in culture. We want to implement making this campus our sanctuary campus. If you are interested in learning more please reach out to me. Email: jss24@txstate.edu

Senator Gonzalez 7:19pm-
If you see someone that has an issue on campus, or with an organization, etc., send them my way because it is my jobs and my commissions to address these issues.
Email: cwg20@txstate.edu

Senator Shull 7:20pm-
Remind you all that the city county early voting starts December 1st. We would like a great turnout so make sure you go vote.

Senator Duncan 7:21pm-
Round table went well. Thank you to everyone that came out. Winter banquet is next week at 6:30pm at the Texas State pavilion. House, senate, freshmen council are all welcome. We will have chimys fajitas as well as vegetarian items and we will also have a potluck included. There will be a tacky christmas sweater contest and the opportunity of pieing the cabinet in the face by the winning cabinet. We want to increase involvement in our election and at our events.

Vice President Samantha Martinez 7:23pm-
Move onto old business. Will the author of 2016-2017 S.R.10 please come up?

Senator Shrade 7:23pm-
Consider this piece of legislation as read, second by Senator Gonzalez.

Senator Mckie 7:24pm-
They will listen to the needs from these groups and we will address these concerns etc to the senate.

Vice President Samantha Martinez 7:25pm-
Entertain a motion to move onto debate and discussion, seconded by Senator Gonzalez. Moving onto debate and discussion.

Senator Mckie 7:25pm-
I’d like to say that this piece may be unconstitutional and consider this piece as a bill and not a piece.

Vice President Samantha Martinez 7:26pm-
Anyone else?

Senator Cutter Gonzalez 7:26pm-
Ammend the piece by adding underrepresentative by ideolgy and sexaulity.

Senator Sikazwe 7:27pm-
Move to vote by voice, seconded by Senator Jimenez.

Vice President Samantha Martinez 7:28pm-
Piece passes. Moving onto debate and discussion.

Senator Mckie 7:28pm-
To expand why it is unconstitutional, title 6 code of the constitution. My understanding a bill should regulate, we’re appointing the people.

Senator Miller 7:31pm-
Discuss after the passes and by the court

Senator Duncan 7:32pm-
Can the senator amend the piece and make it a bill?

Vice President Samantha Martinez 7:32pm-
No that has to be passed.
Senator Mckie 7:33pm-
I believe that it is totally a waste of time if we pass it and especially if this piece may be unconstitutional. So why pass it?

Vice President Samantha Martinez 7:36pm-
Debate and discuss the amendment

Senator 7:36pm-
Spell genders with an “S”

Vice President Samantha Martinez 7:36pm-
Move to call the question by voice, seconded by Senator Pavliceck. This amendment passes. Moving onto debate and discussion.

Senator Cutter Gonzalez 7:37pm-
It's the court's decision to say if it's unconstitutional or not, not student government. Constitutional argument is about what we say and from a constitutional standpoint it is called

Senator Shull 7:38pm-
Can you please point out where it would be tamed unconstitutional?

Senator Cutter Gonzalez 7:38pm-
Can someone pull up the constitution? Article 2 definitions title 6 chapter 100. This article states the unconstitutionality of the piece.

Senator Mckie 7:39pm-
It’d be fair to say that this piece does not pass because of the unconstitutionality

Senator Andrew Gonzalez 7:39pm-
The way it can be unconstitutional is that it is the powers as a bill not a resolution.

Senator Cutter Gonzalez 7:41pm-
Move to call to question

Vice President Samantha Martinez 7:42pm-
This piece does not pass. Moving onto item B.

Senator Shrade 7:42pm-
Like to consider this piece as read, seconded by Senator Sikazwe

Senator 7:42pm-
Create a culture where students and faculty can address mental health without any trouble. Questions? None.

Vice President Samantha Martinez 7:43pm-
Motion to move to adopt, seconded by Senator Gonzalez

Senator Duncan 7:44pm-
Would like to amend this piece to take out unaccepted all the way to assignments to change it to students may experience diminished mental health due to changes in mental health. I would like to also amend to take away coursework because it may be related to work family etc., I believe that putting this on the syllabus may put the idea that classes may put on something troubling to students. I believe it is unnecessary.

Senator Gonzalez 7:49pm
Incomplete sentence

Vice President Samantha Martinez 7:50pm
Move to debate and discuss this amendment. None. Moving onto move to call to question to vote on the amendment.

Senator Mason 7:51pm
I would like to call the vote by voice, seconded by Senator Jimenez.

Vice President Samantha Martinez 7:51pm
Voting too close to tell move onto to vote by roll call. 16- I’s 9 - Nay’s and 3- Abstain. The I’s have it. Moving onto the discussion of the piece.

Shnider 7:53pm
Was this vetted by any administrator? What was the research for it? Considering that we are amending this statement ideally this is not an actual university statement already, but we need to really look into this since it will be on a course syllabi. If it’s going to be a standard issue it needs to be vetted by an administrative power to make sure there’s no miscommunication of the statement.

Senator Miller 7:56pm
Open to discuss this with my administrator and if anyone would like to discuss this further please feel welcome.

Vice President Samantha Martinez 7:57pm
Move to vote this piece by roll call, seconded by Senator Gonzalez. The vote was 29 to 1, this piece passes.

Senator Shrade 7:58pm
Already read seconded by escalante

Senator Duncan 7:59pm
We want to light Alkek up and we also want the library to be lit at night. If it is lit up we want the colors based on winnings, holidays, ceremonies etc., questions?

Camille Phillips 7:59pm
Plaza outside of alkek is dark can we address that as well?

Senator Duncan 8:00pm
Something that we can definitely look into and have something happen for that. What this piece intends to do is basically let people be able to see it as far as I35. Questions?

Senator 8:01pm-
What is the cost and where is it coming from?

Senator Duncan 8:01pm-
We’ve reached out to lighting companies and administrators. This is a kick start starting it as a resolution and should this legislation pass then that’s when we would start taking bids and take the most one.

Gabe Schnider 8:02pm-
Say we pass it would we have any say on the money and the bid?

Senator Duncan 8:03pm-
In the resolution it says that student government has the ability to find this and as well as the marketing efforts gardening to the students support. It’s a cool way for our generation to leave a mark on this campus. Question? None

Vice President Samantha Martinez 8:04pm-
Motion to move to adopt, seconded by Senator Shrade.

President Andrew Homann 8:05pm-
We have identified possible funding coming from this previous programing and we can get the ball rolling on this. A scope of work is already working on it and we are working on the facilities and this is something that has been on several campuses and it is something that can be done on our campus as well.

Vice President Samantha Martinez 8:06pm-
Moving on to debate and discussion.

Senator Shrade 8:06pm -
Move to call to question, seconded by Senator Gonzalez

Senator Gonzalez 8:07pm-
Move to vote by voice, seconded by Senator Shrade

Vice President Samantha Martinez 8:07pm-
I’s have it this piece passes. Motion to adjourn, seconded by Senator Shrade

Adjournment 8:07pm