Student Government Senate Agenda

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence in honor of Indigenous Peoples Day

IV. Orders of the Day

A) Amended to call for quorum (roll call) before the Moment of Silence

B) Amended to make S.S.R. "...Condemning the Homophobic actions of Young Conservatives” an Emergency Piece

C) Amended to make S.S.R. "...Confirming Gwendolyn Wells to the position of Ex-Officio” an Emergency Piece

D) Amended to make S.S.R. "... Confirming Alexis Molina to the position of Senator Ex-Officio” an Emergency Piece

V. Approval of Minutes

A) Approve

VI. Guest Speakers

A) Chartwells Resident District Manager Chin Hong Chua and Chartwells Marketing Director Steven Granados (15 Min. Max.)

1. Mr. Granados has come today to speak about the recent changes made to the university dining program and to explain why they were made. Every year Chartwells does a survey to see what kind of changes students want to see. Mr. Granados spoke about the 10 most common changes requested, which were their primary focuses when changing the dining program. These are the things they have worked to improve. Chartwells has strived to add convenience, to better accommodate dietary restrictions, to improve accessibility, and to create more flexibility for what is redeemable with meal swipes and meal equivalency. They have also worked to make swipes worth valuable and accepted across dining locations. Some of the biggest changes made were to flexibility in retail options available with swipes and meal equivalency. Additionally, Chartwells has also quadrupled the number of vegan and vegetarian options available from 25 to 100 options across campus. They have worked to integrate Grubhub into meal plans for convenient delivery. The Den has and will continue to receive multiple new dining locations, new menu options for already existing restaurants, and a updated look will be coming soon. Commons & Harris Dinning now offers food to-go, extended hours, new
vegan and vegetarian options and new restaurant concepts as well. An all new dining facility is projected to be completed in the fall of 2022 as well. Jones also boasts new dining concepts, 24 hours of operation, and breakfast items. The Lair has also gotten new dining concepts, and will be renovated in fall of 2020. Finally, there are new satellite dining locations in areas of campus that requested more accessible food option.

2. Chartwells has also gained new interns who are learning from their corporate experts. Those who graduate from this program are eligible for the MIT program. They also offer a 25,000 grant and 35,000 scholarship for those within their program.

3. Chartwells has been working to remedy food insecurity on campus through a variety of programs, such as Bobcat Bounty, Swipe Out Hunger, Food Recovery Network, and the LBJSC Emergency Food Fund.

4. Chartwells has worked to address associate satisfaction through efforts like parking pass reimbursement and improved health benefits.

VII. Public Forum

VIII. Vice President’s Report

A) The free menstrual hygiene dispensers are up in all their designated bathrooms, a graphic is being produced to highlight the exact locations of these dispensers is being made and will be available shortly

IX. Cabinet Reports

A) Senator Tichy: Update on the transit meeting, he has been unable to set up the meeting as of now. There was miscommunication on the subject of the meeting and he is working to get it scheduled and will inform the senate once a date is set.

1. The Nominations Committee has nominated 2 candidates recently, Hunter Rollins and Tegan Debrock. Both of which are very qualified and will be in attendance at the next meeting to allow questioning of the nominees.

B) Senator Florence: The Freshman council are having a Quad Day of the 24th and have two more social events up and coming.

C) Senator Gonzales: Marketing and Outreach has had an increase in engagement across all platforms. He intends to keep the Senate updated monthly. The new Student Government Sandbox is almost ready and should be published shortly. A Suggestion box has been created, social media is more accessible though the page, and a Student Government Bulletin. The bulletin will
increase transparency by offering update for different chambers of the government, voting records, senate agendas and more. This new website has been created to organize the content available on the page.

X. President’s Report

A) President Benbow is waiting to create a schedule for the special elections, it is waiting for the election board to be filled. He will let the senate know as things change.

B) He has upcoming interviews for the position of Director of Government Affairs and for associate-justices.

C) President Benbow read a proclamation of Indigenous Peoples Day and a Land Acknowledgment to honor the lives and accomplishments of indigenous people within our community.

D) Finally, he addressed an homophobic incident that occurred last week on the quad, President Benbow stated that it is the responsibility of Student Government to call out actions of discrimination and hate on campus and that he is very proud of the body for doing so with one of the pieces of legislation put forth today.

XI. Old Business

XII. New Business

A) S.B. Cabinet Compensation Act

1. First reading

B) S.S.R. A Resolution Condemning the Homophobic Actions of Young Conservatives of Texas at Texas State- Emergency -Passed

1. Piece made emergency

2. First reading

C) S.B. Establishment of the Subcommittee for Student Labor Relations and Representation Act

1. First reading

D) S.R. A Resolution in Support of Implementing Digital Student Identification

1. First reading

E) S.S.R. A Simple Resolution Confirming Hunter Rollins to the position of Senator At-Large
1. First reading

F) S.S.R. A Simple Resolution Confirming Tegan Debrock to the position of Senator At-Large

1. First reading

G) S.S.R. A Simple Resolution Confirming Gwendolyn Wells to the position of Ex-Officio - Emergency-Passed

1. Piece made emergency

2. First reading

H) S.S.R. A Simple Resolution Confirming Alexis Molina to the position of Senator Ex-Officio-Emergency-Passed

1. Piece made emergency

2. First reading

XIII. Adjournment

A) 9:51