



## **ASSOCIATED STUDENT GOVERNMENT**

SENATE AGENDA – 2<sup>nd</sup> MEETING

September 9<sup>TH</sup> 2013

### I. Call to Order

- a. Meeting called to order at 7pm

### II. Pledge of Allegiance

### III. Swearing in of Elected Senators

### IV. Orders of the Day

- a. Perez moves to amend the agenda
- b. Second by Senator Chester
- c. Senator Acosta moves to approve orders of the day
- d. Senator Quinones seconds

### V. Guest Speakers

- a. San Marcos City Council, Jude Prather
  - i. Two reasons for being at meeting
    1. Introduce himself
      - a. Worked under Robert Door & Regan Pugh
      - b. Moved early voting to campus
      - c. One of the city council members of SM
    2. Currents projects
      - a. Moving utility lines underground
      - b. Expanding Sidewalks

- c. Bridge over Aquarena
    - i. Will take two years
  - d. Adding additional turning lanes under i-35 at Hopkins
3. Importance of being registered to vote
- a. Go vote
  - b. Makes different candidates ask, what's happenign in San Marcos? Candidates then come to San Marcos to speak
4. Questions:
- a. Is there a SM apartment association?
    - i. There is not one
  - b. How do you feel about that
    - i. We need that in town
    - ii. Recently San Marcos created neighborhood commission
  - c. As being a previous student, how do you address the gap between SM and the TXST community?
    - i. Texas State contributes so much to San Marcos
    - ii. Personally, as a community, Texas State has a caretaker roll
    - iii. Without college, San Marcos is a poverty stricken city
  - d. As such a big supporter, are there any plans to help students around traffic during construction, tailgate etc.
    - i. We received money to build bridge over Aquarena
  - e. Are there plans to add more bike lanes?
    - 1. Yes
    - 2. Sidewalk expansion with more bike lanes
  - f. Senator Acosta suspends the rules to extend speakers time by 10 minutes
    - i. Second by Senator Peterson
  - g. Whats the plan to bring into action new student living areas
    - i. Master plan
      - 1. Future growth of San Marcos

- h. Is your vision of San Marcos a less traffic area when it comes to cars? More public transportation?
  - i. More public transportation, but will keeps routes the same

VI. Public Forum

- a. Safe Ride Home program
  - i. Gives rides home to anyone who needs it
  - ii. Successful program at A&M
  - iii. Working on being an RSO

VII. Old Business

VIII. New Business

- a. Nomination of Senators At-Large
  - i. Senate Pro Tempore Trexler motions to confirm nominees
  - ii. Senator Acosta moves to confirm nominees
  - iii. Second by Senator Marin
  - iv. Swearing in of Senators
- b. Nomination of College Senators
  - i. Senate Pro Tempore Trexler motions to confirm nominees
  - ii. Senator Zavala moves to confirm nominees
  - iii. Second by Senator Chester
  - iv. Swearing in of Senators
- c. Nomination of Ex-Officio Members
  - i. What does this position consist of?
    - 1. Exactly like a senator
    - 2. Same rules and policies
    - 3. Cannot vote
  - ii. Senator Gray motions to confirm nominees
  - iii. Second by Senator Pigenot
  - iv. Swearing in of Ex-Officio Members
- d. Nomination of University Committee
  - i. President Cortez motions to confirm nominees

- ii. Senator Quinones moves to confirm nominees
  - iii. Second by Senator Causey
- e. Nomination of Supreme Court Chief Justice
  - i. Gabriel Garcia nominated as Supreme Court Chief Justice (SCCJ)
  - ii. What would be the role of SCCJ?
    - 1. Will pick up any hearings about anything ASG related
    - 2. Will look over governing documents
  - iii. President Cortez motions to confirm nominee
  - iv. Senator Gray moves to confirm nominee
  - v. Second by Senator Tekell
  - vi. Swearing in of SCCJ
- f. Nomination of Election Commission
  - i. President Cortez motions to confirm nominee
  - ii. Senator Quinones moves to confirms nominee
  - iii. Senator Peterson seconds
  - iv. Swearing in of Election Commissioner
- g. Nomination of Legislative Finance Committee
  - i. Vice President Perez entertains motion to confirm nominees
  - ii. Second by Senator Eldemire

## IX. Executive Reports

- a. Floor yield to City Council liaison, Elizabeth Stevens
  - i. Student voice is underused
  - ii. Smoking ban
    - 1. No smoking in any public areas in SM
    - 2. Write legislation about how student body feels about smoking
  - iii. Towing in Hughston drive
    - 1. Due to complaints, anyone who parks along Ranch Road 12 and Hughston drive will be towed
  - iv. Other issues
    - 1. Fluoride in our water

2. Different kind of fluoride than used at dentist office
  3. Not a lot of testing done with fluoride
  4. A lot of people need to make their opinions clear about this issue
- v. Greenspace volunteers
1. Keep SM Beautiful
    - a. Few hours of comm service
- b. Kasey Trebig: Executive Assistant
- i. Placards & ASG Office Rules
    1. Don't take them after meeting
    2. ASG budget pays for them
    3. Make sure you are picking up after your selves in ASG office
    4. Cannot be on any computers without permission
- c. Karlton Wilson: Press Secretary
- i. Description of job
    1. Will communicate anything you need to other departments of school through message or social media
  - ii. Likes went up on Facebook
  - iii. There's another ASG account on Twitter
    1. @txstASG ----> follow that one
  - iv. Youtube tailgate video
    1. 4th most watched video on Texas State's Marketing department's Youtube Channel
  - v. Trying to connect with students in different ways this year
  - vi. Standing banner for tailgate
  - vii. Giving away free stuff at tailgate for following us on Twitter and liking on FB
  - viii. We are trying to communicate that ASG is doing stuff
- d. Myisha Bradham: Parliamentarian
- i. Dress code
    1. Boys:
      - a. Slacks
      - b. Button down

- c. Dress shoes
  - 2. Girls:
    - a. Slacks
    - b. Dresses
    - c. Closed toed or peep toe shoes
    - d. Shoulder strap on dress needs to be more than 3 inches
  - 3. When in doubt - NO
- e. Kaylee Bishop: Chief of Staff
  - i. September 17th
    - 1. Constitution engagement week
      - a. 3 people at tent from 8-5
  - ii. US 1100 classes
    - 1. Senator Carlson went and talked
    - 2. Freshmen council apps due soon (September 12th)
  - iii. November 5th 3:30, November 7th 3:30
  - iv. Food committee
    - 1. Jones is being renovated starting summer 2015
    - 2. Pizza hut might change to Papa Johns
    - 3. Sushi bar in LBJ
    - 4. Au Bon Pan will be coming as well
    - 5. Meal plans at athletic events are being accepted starting Sept. 28th
- f. Eddie Perez: Vice President
  - i. Welcome new senators
  - ii. Leave chamber after meeting ends if you do not need to be here
  - iii. Freshmen Council needs Senate members to sit in on interviews
    - 1. Dates for Freshmen Council Interviews
      - a. Sept. 16, 9am-4pm
      - b. Sept. 17, 12:30pm-4pm
      - c. Sept. 18, 9am-4pm
      - d. Sept. 19 12:30pm-4pm

2. Dress business casual
3. Freshmen Council advisors emails
  - a. pnc1 - Paige Cook
  - b. ckn9 - Cierra De Nino Guzman
- g. Vanessa Cortez: President
  - i. Football game
    1. We are 2-0! WOOHOOO!
    2. 2nd largest attendance since Tech game
    3. Bring friends to games
  - ii. Tailgate
    1. Any complaints about tailgate, email Vanessa
    2. Freshmen tailgate
      - a. 500-700 freshmen came
      - b. Need ASG volunteers
      - c. Trying to move tailgate area
    3. Joined ASG Association this summer
      - a. Oct. 21 & 22 advisor is coming to evaluate us as ASG and how we can approve
    4. Safe Ride Home
    5. Point to point bus system
      - a. Can park in Mill street lot right behind bobcat village
    6. Legislation ideas
      - a. Add something to round about area near JCK and Education
      - b. Old Main will completed in November
    7. We are now Texas State University! Not Texas State University- San Marcos

## X. Legislative Reports

- a. Senator Acosta will be in charge of engagement weeks this semester
  - i. Wants to do at least 2
  - ii. No dates, but be on the lookout

- b. Senator Gray:
  - i. Electronic cigarettes in San Marcos legislation
  - ii. San Marcos apartment association legislation
- c. Senator Carlson:
  - i. Transportation
    - 1. bobcat trams
      - a. People don't know routes
      - b. Have an underground train map on the trams where advertisements are
  - ii. Bobcat Bucks
    - 1. Bring down the prices of bobcat bucks per meal
  - iii. cc1872 - email
- d. Zavala:
  - i. Fluoride water
  - ii. Recycling bins in teaching theaters
- e. Trexler: Senate Pro Tempore
  - i. Only one more nomination next week
  - ii. Megan will have one on ones with all senators

## XI. Adjournment

- a. Senator De la Garza moves to adjourn meetings
- b. Senator Chaverro seconds
- c. Meeting adjourned at 8:34pm