



Student Government Senate  
Texas State University

LBJ Teaching Theater– 7:00 PM  
Sixty-Fourth Session  
December 2, 2024

**Student Government Senate Agenda**

**I. Call to Order by Chairman Brown at 7:00 pm**

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

**III. National Anthem**

**IV. Roll Call**

**Present**

- A) Vice President Pro Temp Abby Myers
- B) Parliamentarian Pablo Avellaneda
- C) Senator Dakota Autrey
- D) Senator Patrick Awuah
- E) Senator Joseph Crist
- F) Senator Melenie Cardeno
- G) Senator Carolena Estrada
- H) Senator Madison Koop
- I) Senator Alanze Leon
- J) Senator Adam Long
- K) Senator Kristian Maldonado
- L) Senator Abigail Malinak
- M) Senator Alexis Manzanares
- N) Senator Samantha Regan
- O) Senator Jacob Tagert
- P) Senator Grace Tang
- Q) Senator Emma Vega
- R) Senator Jordan Williams
- S) Senator Rick Wilson

**Absent**

- A) Senator Aerik Bauer

**V. Orders of the Day**

- A) Senator Tagert moved to add Daniel Owen to Guest Speaker section of the agenda
- B) Senator Vega motioned to move ‘Resolution Condemning the “Official Street Preachers”’ and ‘A Resolution to Partner with the University Police Department to Create Free Speech Education Trainings for Students and Emergency Responders’ to emergency



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**VI. Approval of Minutes**

**VII. Guest Speakers**

**Dr. Bill Mattera** – Assistant Vice-President for Student Success, Executive Director of Housing and Residential Life

- A. Discussed his role in his position in the Department of Student Experiences (ID Services, Dining, and the Bookstore)
- B. Senator Long asked about the back-end process of how the Book-Smart program works
- C. Senator Long asked for clarification on the location of the new STEM Building
- D. Senator Wilson asked for a place to look at updates and current plans for the new buildings going up on campus
- E. Member of the Freshman Council asked about the plans for Elliot Hall
- F. Member of the Public asked about renovation plans for the future

**Daniel Owen** – Chief Information Security Officer

- A. Came to discuss his office's desire to partner with the Student Government to enhance cyber security for students
- B. Senator Crist asked if there is a potential future feature of the Bobcat Mail to filter emails from his office
- C. Vice President Pro Temp Myers asked for ways to get involved in US1100 or housing/RAs
- D. Senator Williams asked how the Student Government can help his department
- E. Senator Cardeno noted that not all students go through US 1100
- F. Member of the Freshman Council suggested creating a mandatory module for the incoming students to take like Title IX and Alcohol Training
- G. Dr. Bruce suggested thinking outside the box for finding a solution or partnership
- H. Director Hunter noted that social media is a potential successful way to connect with the student body
- I. Senator Wilson added on to Director Hunter's idea with a potential collaboration at sporting events
- J. Senator Long suggested adding a points system for attendance at on-campus events
- K. Member of the Public suggests education students through organizations on campus



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**VIII. Public Forum**

**IX. Senate Leadership Reports**

- A) Vice President Pro Temp Myers- Attempting to fill three At-Large Senate seats
- B) Parliamentarian Avellaneda- Hope everyone does good on finals
- C) Auxiliary Affairs Committee Chair- Their data collection survey closed
- D) Health and safety Committee Chair- Emailed Gavin and waiting for a response to confirm a meeting. Working on legislation regarding awareness on campus.
- E) Sustainability Committee Chair- Waiting for their data collection survey to close to moving forward with legislation
- F) Transportation Committee Chair- Have built a strong partnership with UPD
- G) Academic Affairs Committee Chair- Working on legislation

**X. Vice President's Reports**

- A) Excited about the last meeting. Eight pieces discusses show the progress of the Student Government. Encourages the body to keep up the effort in the spring

**XI. Cabinet Reports**

- A) Director of Freshman Council- Discussed and advertised the Freshman Council Event which is on Wednesday at 7:00 in Georges

**XII. President's Report**

- A) Vice President Pro Temp Myers moved to this section while Chairperson Brown had to step out
- B) Advertised Finals tabling on Monday from 9-11 AM

**XIII. Advisor's Report**

- A) Congratulated the body for such a productive session
- B) Discussed the University Star article that will be launched tomorrow
  - 1. Senator Autrey asked about a potential slander case



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2. Senator Vega asked for clarification on the specificity of the funds being investigated

**XIV. Old Business**

A Bill to Amend the Senate Composition\* - 20 days over!

- A. Already passed

A Resolution to Provide Shelter in Commuter Parking Lots

- A. Senator Tagert motioned to make it previously read
  - a. Passed unanimously, Senator Manzanares no response
- B. Vice President Pro Temp Myers moved to vote by voice
  - a. Passed unanimously, Senator Manzanares no response
- C. Voice vote
  - a. Yays have it

A Resolution for the Installation of Safety Mirrors in Woods Street Garage

- A. Voice vote
  - a. Yays have it

A Resolution to Maintain Cleanliness in Campus Parking Garages

- A. Voice vote
  - a. Yays have it

**XV. New Business**

A Resolution to Partner with the University Police Department to Create Free Speech

Education Trainings for Students and Emergency Responders

- A. Made emergency by Senator Vega during 'Orders of the Day'
- B. Senator Vega moved to amend the date
- C. Read by Senator Vega
- D. Debate and Discuss
  - a. Dr. Bruce talked about current programs already in place and connections to the Dean of Students that should be added
  - b. Emma motioned to amend the piece at line 45 to add the expressive activities team
    - i. Passed unanimously, Senator Manzanares no response

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- c. Senator Long changed verbiage on line 40
  - i. Passed unanimously, Senator Manzanares no response
- d. Senator Tagert asked for clarification on the purpose of the mention of ACLU
- e. Parliamentarian Avellaneda motioned to amend the final line
  - i. Passed unanimously, Senator Manzanares no response
- f. Emma moved to remove mention ACLU
  - i. Passed unanimously, Senator Manzanares no response
- E. Roll Call Vote
  - a. Passed unanimously, Senator Manzanares no response

A Resolution Condemning the “Official Street Preachers”

- A. Made Emergency by Senator Vega during ‘Orders of the Day’
- B. Senator Vega moved to amend the date
  - a. Passed unanimously, Senator Manzanares no response
- C. Read by Senator Vega
- D. Senator Vega motioned to amend verbiage
  - a. Roll Call Vote
    - i. Passed unanimously, Senator Manzanares no response
- E. Roll Call Vote
  - a. Passed unanimously, Senator Manzanares no response

A Resolution to Enhance Designated Free Speech Areas

- A. Read by Parliamentarian Avellaneda
- B. Senator Vega motioned to amend piece at line 11
  - a. Roll call vote
    - i. Passed unanimously, Senator Manzanares, Vice President Pro Temp Myers no response
- C. Assigned to Health and Safety Committee to review

A Resolution in Support of Establishing a President’s List for Academic Honors

- A. Read by Parliamentarian Avellaneda
- B. Chairperson Brown suggested adding additional incentives
- C. Senator Crist said to not include these potential students in the Dean’s list banquet

**XVI. Adjourned by Chairman Brown at 8:29 pm**