

**Student Government Senate
Texas State University**



**LBJ 322– 6:30 PM
Sixty-Fifth Session
September 22nd, 2025**

Student Government Senate Minutes

- I.Call to Order by Chairwoman Stampley at 7:10 PM**
- II.Pledge of Allegiance**
- III.Roll Call**

Present

- I. Senator Ajayi
- II. Senator Autrey
- III. Senator Bernal
- IV. Senator Carr
- V. Senator Dinescu
- VI. Senator Farrington
- VII. Senator Gautam
- VIII. Senator Joseph
- IX. Senator Knowles
- X. Senator Koop
- XI. Senator Leon
- XII. Senator Long
- XIII. Senator Reynolds
- XIV. Senator Thompson
- XV. Senator Touve
- XVI. Senator Williams

Absent

- XVII. Kat Reagan

IV.Orders of the Day

- I. Senator Farrington motioned to move S.S.R.25-26.08 Confirming the Nominations and Appointments Committee to Old Business

V.Approval of Minutes

VI.Guest Speakers

- a. Mr. Don Coryell – VP for Intercollegiate Athletics
 - a. Mentioned the last football game
 - b. Talked about homecoming and asked for support from the senate for going to events
 - a. Specifically, the Tuesday game, that SG will assist in getting high numbers. October 28th
 - b. Averages 6,000 students per game, and wants to get upwards of 10,000 this game
 - c. Mentioned other sports like Volleyball and Soccer

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- d. Talked about PAC12 movement
 - a. Wants to close the gap with our Basketball Programs
 - b. First step is increasing student awareness
- e. Affirmed resources for students in TXST heat
 - a. Water Monsters
 - a. Feedback was the lack of cups at the water stations
- f. Major Goal is for “College Game Day” to come this year
 - a. Chance to play in the college football playoffs
- g. Help organizations meet near the stadium so meetings don’t interfere with the game time

VII. Public Forum

- I. Brianna Martinez, current sophomore
 - I. Freedom Speech issues
 - I. Professors being fired
 - II. Updates and changes hurting education
 - III. Aim to be objective
 - II. Pushed for student government to review firings for professors
 - I. Farmington motioned to extend time by two minutes

VIII. Vice President’s Report

- I. Thanked senate for going to the president’s dinner
- II. Will bring name tags to committee meetings

IX. President’s Report

- I. Shared updates regarding the past few weeks
 - I. Expressive Activity
- II. NAACP Collaboration

X. Cabinet Report

- I. Chief of Staff (Ochoa) – New Logo, Expressive Activity Update Policy, SG Executive Statement, NAACP Collaboration
 - I. Senator Farrington asked for a point of privilege to leave the meeting due to Resident Assistant obligations
 - II. Senator Bernal asked for a point of privilege to leave the meeting due to Resident Assistant obligations
- II. Director of Marketing (Mullee) – shared how well the Instagram has been doing (specific posts like the executive statement as well as overall profile; shared that our “Sips for Success” event has been posted and reminded everyone to repost; encouraged the senate to use the SG Instagram even for committee/senate specific posts
- III. Director of Programming (Regan) – Reminded the senate about “Sips for Success”
 - I. RSVP for the event on the Bobcat Organization Hub, share with your friends, repost to story
 - II. Join the GroupMe that Abby sent via outlook to all SG members to find the RSVP link (or on Instagram link tree)
 - III. Everyone is welcome, and you can invite an org you’re in, just communicate

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- IV. Director of Freshman Council (Cardeno) – freshman council officially started and had their first meeting which went super well; if volunteers are needed reach out and some will be sent your way
- V. Director of Sustainability (Schlosz) – working with Senator Thompson on numerous things through the Sustainability Committee, adopting a spot for student government (meeting soon, more to come later)
- VI. Co-Director of Community Outreach (Hensel) – Guest speaker next senate meeting who works with city council and is coming to give advice on student government and recent issues surrounding free speech
- VII. Co-Director of Community Outreach (Panta) – Nepalese events have been postponed due to recent events in Nepal.
- VIII. Director of Finance (Calderon) – Star Grant is now open (no one in student government is eligible); Student Organization funding is now open; informed the senate that she will be late due to requirements of being President of Women in Business.
- IX. Director of Government Affairs (Manzanares) – Neighborhood Commission Meeting (Recommended Resolution: Ban on Deer Feeding; passed on September 18th, 2024 to discourage residents from feeding deer; Goals include to study the effects of white-tailed deer on the community and to create a public awareness campaign on the dangers of feeding deer); TXST Off-Campus housing marketplace (collaboration with housing to update the marketplace, aim to incorporate better student feedback)

XI. Committee Reports

- I. Transportation and Parking
 - I. Promoted parking app
 - II. Discussed TXST bus routes and tracking
 - III. Proposed relaxing parking hours after 5:00 PM
 - IV. Discussed adding cars for Bobcat Safe Rides
 - V. Plan to post a student survey
 - VI. Reviewed legislation for after-hours parking
- II. Academic Affairs
 - I. Planned communication for Senator Knowles
 - II. Did icebreakers and discussed senator roles
 - III. Discussed issues:
 - I. Study spaces
 - II. Tuition fees (for summer courses)
- III. Health and Safety
 - I. Continue last years safe sex initiatives
 - II. Talked about health service support from student government
 - I. Marketing
 - II. Awareness
 - III. Resources
 - III. Guest Speaker: Sarah Doss (Health Center)
 - I. Info on staff and resources
 - II. Focused on mental health and STI awareness
 - III. Condensed slideshow request
 - IV. Health promotion presentations (e.g. Panhellenic groups)
 - V. Noted rise in STIs (e.g. gonorrhea and syphilis)

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- VI. Resources:
 - I. Pamphlets
 - II. Videos on safe sex/drugs/alcohol
 - III. More condom access via vending machines (with masks, Plan B, Narcan, Tylenol, etc.)
- VII. Narcan available at clinic, Alkek library and Rec Center
- VIII. Encouraged support, not punishment, for substance users
- IX. TXST App: ideas for new features and design improvements
- X. Accessibility
 - I. Improvements discussed:
 - I. Wheelchair ramps
 - II. Automatic doors
 - III. Elevators
 - IV. ODS registration
- XI. Plan to meet with Julie Eckeridge and Bob for accessibility issues
- IV. Sustainability
 - I. Ice breakers and shared docs
 - II. Discussed:
 - I. What's happening on campus
 - II. Passed initiatives
 - III. Daily sustainable habits
 - IV. What SG can do
 - III. Future guest speaker: Emma Parsley from Office of Sustainability
 - IV. Mentioned Environmental Service Fee
 - V. Intro to sustainability
 - I. 3 pillars: economic, social and environmental
 - II. Fall river clean up
 - III. 17 sustainability goals
 - VI. Expectations
 - I. Stay professional, focused, and communicative
 - VII. Future projects:
 - I. Bobcat convenience store
 - I. Recycling stations and paper bags
 - II. Possibly a waste audit
 - III. Add sustainable education to NSO
 - IV. Recycling lacking in upperclassmen apartments
- V. Student Success
 - I. Discussed using leftover printing funds for printers, ink and repairs
 - I. Investigate how printing money works and where it goes
 - II. Proposed opt-in/out system for university emails
 - III. Suggested personalized event recommendations from Bobcat Org Hub
- XII. Advisor's Report**
 - I. Greeted freshman councils
 - II. Homecoming plans
 - I. Bringing back traditions
 - III. Been very pleased with the senate so far

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XII. Senate Leadership Reports

- a. Parliamentarian
 - a. No Report
- b. Senate Pro-Temp
 - a. Code of laws was revised based on senate requests (except rank choice voting was not codified)

XIV. Old Business

- I. S.S.R.25-26.08 Confirming the Nominations and Appointments Committee
 - I. Senator Long read the piece
 - II. Passed unanimously, vote by voice

XIV. New Business

- XV. S.B.25-26.02 Student Government Code of Laws Adoption
 - I. Senator Joseph asked for a parliamentary inquiry regarding amendments to the new legislation

XVI. Adjourned by Chairwoman Stampley at 8:04 PM