

LBJ 322- 6:30 PM Sixty-Fifth Session October 20th, 2025

Student Government Senate Minutes

- I.Call to Order by Chairwoman Stampley at 6:32
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III.Roll Call

Present

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

Absent

- I. Senator Long (Excused)
- II. Senator Williams

Senator Farrington motioned to add Senator Reynolds to the roll call

IV. Orders of the Day

- I. Senator Thompson motioned to move all legislation to new business
 - I. Passed unanimously, vote by roll call
- II. Senator Joseph motioned to vote by voice
 - I. Passed unanimously, vote by roll call
- III. Senator Thompson to add Senator Dinescu and Senator Thompson to the roll call
 - I. Passed unanimously, vote by voice

V.Approval of Minutes

VI. Guest Speakers

I. Kelly Damphousse – University President



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- I. Shared his life story with the senate
 - I. Included stories of persevering throughout times of struggle
 - II. Talked about his professional experiences and how he made his way to TXST
- II. Shared his philosophy of his presidency
 - I. Shared a story about a student who dropped out, but came back "against all odds"
 - II. He wants to help students understand that they are important, that they have a voice and that people care about them
 - III. Reminisced about the night before his first day here and the nervousness he felt until he saw a message written on a window saying "you belong here"
 - IV. His purpose, plan and philosophy is to serve students, faculty and staff and ensure that they know they belong here

VII. Public Forum

VIII. Vice President's Report

I. Provided information about the plaques; excited to see so many freshman in Public Forum

IX.President's Report

I. Happy about getting through homecoming week (special shoutout to Freshman Council); asked everyone to get better at accepting/declining calendar invites and improving communication; encouraged senators to remember that they were elected and to remember them to stay involved in Student Government and their obligations are more than senate meetings; Pink Out Game for Volleyball is this weekend and soccer's final home game

X.Cabinet Report

- I. Chief of Staff (Ochoa) No Report
- II. Director of Marketing (Mullee) Recent Instagram reel got 27,000 views and 400 likes which is well performing, HOCO post going up, and edited Freshman Council Headshots
- III. Director of Programming (Regan) Mentioned Nov. 6th Meet me at the stallions event
- IV. Director of Freshman Council (Cardeno) FC was super present during homecoming; last week we welcomed athletic representatives including D1 representatives to give us an insight into athletics at TXST; today they dove into all the work the senate does; and shared how the Instagram account is growing
- V. Director of Sustainability (Schlosz) Sustainability Month programs such as the On-Campus Thrift Shop and the Halloween Campus Clean Up; working with the sustainability committee to implement programs with our sustainability department; upcoming meeting with Dr. Bruce about sustainability initiatives regarding Riverfest
- VI. Co-Director of Community Outreach (Hensel) Working on tabling events and organizations to work with
- VII. Co-Director of Community Outreach (Panta) Talking with some South Asian clubs; next week the President of VSA (Vietnamese Student Association) will talk to the senate about his organization.



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- VIII. Director of Finance (Calderon) STAR Grant applications have been kept up to date; Student Org funding applications have begun being reviewed and we are scoring and taking notes on each application
- IX. Director of Government Affairs (Manzanares) Neighborhood Commission meeting was cancelled due to the agenda not being posted three days before the meeting which is not in compliance with the open meeting act; Intersection Improvement on Thorpe Lane and Springtown way has a public meeting this Wednesday (in order to improve accessibility, traffic flow and pedestrian safety); Met with the mayor about San Marcos Veterans Parade on the Square and the potential removal of murals given the order from Gov. Abbott and Department of Transportation (depends if the road is owned by the City of San Marcos or TX-Dot; New Off Campus Housing Committee Review (review off-campus housing complaints and removal/addition of any new off-campus housing options to the TXST marketplace website)
 - I. Senator Carr asked for clarification regarding removal of murals due to Texas Law

XI.Committee Report

- I. Student Success No Report
- II. Transportation and Parking Counters on every parking spot
- III. Health and Safety Got communication with the Director of FSL and communicating with Healthy Cats to see for potential collaboration
- IV. Academic Affairs Scheduled a meeting with Victoria Black regarding deans list and trying to get more study spaces well known so Alkek isn't overcrowded
- V. Sustainability Sustainability module and steps will be taken for Riverfest to be more sustainable

XII.Advisor's Report

I. Welcomed Freshman Council and showed everyone the new name plaques; hoped that everyone passed midterms; shared new tradition called TXST Winter Lights

XII. Senate Leadership Reports

- I. Parliamentarian Farrington Nominations and appointment committee has a hard deadline
- II. VP Pro Tempore Long No Report

XIII.Old Business

- I. Moved to Old Business from New Business
 - I. S.S.R. 25-26.09 A Simple Resolution confirming Senator Kaden Farrington to Parliamentarian
 - I. Passed Unanimously, vote by voice
 - II. S.S.R. 25-26.10 A Simple Resolution confirming Senator Adam Long to Vice President Pro-Tempore
 - I. Passed Unanimously, Vote by voice
 - III. S.S.R. 25-26.11 A Simple Resolution Confirming Daniela Calderon to the position of Director of Finance
 - I. Passed Unanimously, Vote by Voice
 - IV. S.S.R. 25-26.12 A Simple Resolution Confirming Samantha Regan to the position of Director of Programming



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- I. Passed Unanimously, Vote by Voice
- V. S.S.R. 25-26.13 A Simple Resolution Confirming Isabella Porth to the position of Freshman Senator
 - I. Passed Unanimously, Vote by Voice

XIV.New Business

XV.Adjourned by Chairwoman Stampley at 7:53