

# Student Government Association

## Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2012

- I. Meeting called to order at 8:00 PM
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes
- IV. Reports
  - a. **President**
    - i. No Report
  - b. **Vice-President**
    - i. Roberts Rules of Order: There will be an information session for all senators, new and old, to get on the same page about the rules.
    - ii. Committees: Put a star by your name if you aren't in a committee and what committee you want to be part of.
    - iii. Senate/ Exec Communication: Please make sure to check your emails.
    - iv. Survey: Once we get in touch with Richard Lee the survey will be posted.
    - v. President Inauguration Week Participation: The first week of April (1-6) On Wednesday there will be the Battle of the Bands. They want SGA's help promoting and planning it.
  - c. **Secretary**
    - i. Any absence not reported to me prior will be considered unexcused.
    - ii. If anyone has more than 4 **unexcused** absences you will be up for review and may possibly lose their position as Senator.
    - iii. Please have all excuses submitted through e-mail at [kmhessler@valdosta.edu](mailto:kmhessler@valdosta.edu) by 8PM on the Sunday night before the meeting.
  - d. **Comptroller**
    - i. Updated budget: We have \$18,295.12. There was a rollover of \$15,000.
  - e. **Committee Reports**
    - i. **Elections:** NR
    - ii. **Health Services:** Before the break there was a meeting with Mrs. Lewis. She will be attending the meeting on Jan 28<sup>th</sup> to go over co-pay policy.
    - iii. **Parking & Transportation:** Appeals meeting on Wednesday at 2pm.
    - iv. **PR:** No Report
    - v. **Rules:** No Report
    - vi. **Finance:** No Report
    - vii. **Judiciary:** No Report
    - viii. **Student Affairs:** Everyone on the committee will need to meet after this meeting.
- V. **New Business**
  - i. Mr. Lawrence Feld – less than \$1000.00
  - ii. IT Training on Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> (1:30-3) Senator Merritt will attend.
  - iii. Dining Hours: Hopper is open until 10. Palms is open until 8. Blazin' Brew is now open until 2am.
- VI. **Miscellaneous Business**
  - i. Bria Thompson nominated for Senator.
- VII. **Motion to adjourn the meeting. Senator Barker. Senator Gill seconds.**

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### Meeting Minutes

January 23, 2012

- I. Meeting called to order at 8:00 PM
- II. Roll Call
- III. Minutes and Agenda approved
- IV. Adoption of the minutes and agenda
- V. Reports
  - a. Rob Kelner from the health center
    - i. This year is VSU's first year of filing health insurance. This is being done to try to prevent raising student fees. Talk with Lynette Lewis in the health center if you are getting charged a co pay outside of lab fees.
    - ii. HIV testing is \$25. Free Chlamydia and Gonorrhea testing is administered at limited times during the year.
  - b. President
    - i. Phi Alpha Delta, Pre-Law Fraternity is looking to add new members
    - ii. There is a town hall meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 25. We will need representation from each senate class.
  - c. Vice President
    - i. Reviewed Names from workshop. Please update all information with Derika if you were not at the workshop.
    - ii. Senate Committee heads need to decide on a time to meet each week and report back to Derika after each meeting.
    - iii. Rules Committee needs to be reviewing the Constitution and Bi-Laws to see if anything needs to be altered.
    - iv. Public Relations will be making 3 sheet signs for the town hall meetings and 1 or 2 for the monthly meetings to promote SGA
    - v. Reviewed proper procedure for making motions. Please stay on topic
    - vi. Please contact Dani to be on the agenda each week. She needs to know on each Wednesday before by 5 pm or it will not be on the agenda for the following Monday
  - d. Secretary
    - i. Please email all of your excuses to [maritaylor@valdosta.edu](mailto:maritaylor@valdosta.edu) by 8 pm on Sunday nights
  - e. Comptroller
    - i. Our current budget is \$25,037.43
    - ii. VSU is in the process of researching for people to professionally outreach to others to bring them to VSU

f. Committees

- i. Elections- Election Packets will be ready on March 19. They are due by March 30 at 3:00PM. Campaigning will be April 3-17. It will end at 7AM on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Elections will be held on April 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. The results will be announced on April 20<sup>th</sup>
- ii. Health Services- Meet after meeting
- iii. Parking and Transportation –No report
- iv. Public Relations-
  1. Promotion of the town all will be done through “SGA supports” sheet signs.
  2. There will be “Welcome” signs made for VSU’s Visitation day on February 4<sup>th</sup>.
  3. Relay for Life will be on April 13.
  4. There is a Prom Dress Drive on February 1-3<sup>rd</sup> from 11:00 AM until 2:00 PM
- v. Rules- Meet after meeting
- vi. Senate Finance- E-mail for proper protocol on requesting funds
- vii. Senate Judiciary- Meet after meeting
- viii. Student Affairs- Discussion of possible security cameras at various crosswalks and discussion of dresscode

VI. New Business

- a. Senators may buy T-shirts with their own funds but if cannot come out of SGA’s fund according to the Board of Regents. This cannot be amended because it is not our rule.

VII. Miscellaneous Business

- a. There are currently 10 candidates who are running for VSU’s President. There will be 2 open forums for each candidate. One for the students and one for the faculty.
- b. Senator Aaron moved to adjourn the meeting
- c. Senator Goldberg Seconded.

## **Student Government Association**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**February 13, 2012**

- I. Meeting called to order at 8:00 PM
- II. Roll Call
- III. Minutes and Agenda Approved
- IV. Adoption of the minutes and agenda
- V. Reports
  - a. President
    - i. There are currently 4 candidates for the President of VSU. 3 or 4 will be sent to the Board of Regents. If you would like information on the meetings with the candidates, contact Graham.
    - ii. Feb 17-Arbor Day on front lawn in front of Bailey Science Center
  - b. Vice President
    - i. The idea of having food at the next town hall meeting has been expressed. If we do chicken fingers it is \$2.60 per person. If we do pizza it is \$2.00 per person.
    - ii. There will be a visitation day on Sat. March 24. Need 5 volunteers.
    - iii. Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup> there is a Leadership Conference on campus starting at 9AM. Lunch will be provided.
    - iv. If you would like to know more about the Collegiate Leadership conference at UGA, see Derika.
    - v. Parking and Transportation
      1. Ticketing on campus is from 5:00 A.M. until 9:30 P.M. on Monday-Thursday. It stops at 3:00 P.M. on Friday. VSU police or Public Safety can ticket at any given time.
      2. If you want to change something in the Parking and Transportation department, a formal proposal must be written and it would then be taken to Dean Mast for review.
      3. The current speed limit in the parking decks are 5mph. VSU Police Department can issue tickets for speeding in the parking deck.
  - c. Secretary
    - i. The current GPA to get into SGA is 2.25
  - d. Comptroller
    - i. If anyone has any ideas of the end of the year, please notify the comptroller.
  - e. Committees
    - i. Elections- Revised Election Packet
    - ii. Health Services- Meet After
    - iii. Parking and Transportation-N/A
    - iv. Public Relations- Meet After, Sheet sign for next town hall needs to be made
    - v. Rules- Meet After
    - vi. Senate Finance- Meet after to talk about Senior gifts.
    - vii. Senate Judiciary- Meet After
    - viii. Student Affairs- Meet After
  - f. New Business
    - i. Rob Thrower was elected as Election Commissioner

- ii. Edward Taraskewich from Chartwell's encouraged students to participate in the survey on the VSU website under food services. It provides helpful information.
- iii. The following we voted into the SGA senate
  - 1. Anthony Fino
  - 2. Emma Carey
  - 3. Colby Hall
  - 4. Lorraine Dawkins
  - 5. Taylor Malone
- iv. The following were nominated to be voted on for February 20, 2012
  - 1. Carl Peterson
  - 2. Clint Gray
  - 3. Lance Stephens
  - 4. John Hanna
- v. Senator Merritt moved to adjourn the meeting, Gill seconded.

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### Meeting Minutes

February 20, 2012

- I. Meeting called to order at 8:00 PM
- II. Roll Call
- III. Minutes and Agenda Approved
- IV. Adoption of the minutes and agenda
- V. Reports
  - a. President
    - i. VSU Art Competition is due Monday March 5 and 6<sup>th</sup>. The Opening Reception is March 19 from 7-8:30P.M.
  - b. Vice President
    - i. If anyone is interested in having food at the next town hall, please let us know during new business
    - ii. The next visitation day is March 24
    - iii. Leadership Conference hosted by VSU is Saturday, February 25 at 9:00 A.M.
    - iv. Town hall meeting February 22, 2012 in Jeanette Lecture Hall at 7:30 P.M.
    - v. New senators, give Derika your information
  - c. Secretary
    - i. Please email all of your excuses by 8:00 P.M on Sunday nights before the meeting or it will not be excused.
    - ii. If you come in late, you must let the secretary know you are tardy in order to be marked tardy. Otherwise, it is an absence.
  - d. Comptroller
    - i. Please allow 2-3 weeks in advance for organizations that are requesting funds
  - e. Committees
    - i. Elections- Revised Election Packet.
      1. Elections Packet will go out on March 19. They are due on March 30. Campaigning will begin on April 3 and end on April 17 at 7A.M. The election dates are April 17-18 and the election party is on April 20.
    - ii. Health Services- No report
    - iii. Parking and Transportation- Write a proposal if you would like anything to be done.
    - iv. Public Relations- Meet After, Sheet sign for next town hall needs to be made
    - v. Rules- Meet After
    - vi. Senate Finance- No report
    - vii. Senate Judiciary- Attendance hearings will be held on Wednesday, February 22, 2012 in the Dean of Student Affairs office.
    - viii. Student Affairs- Meet After
  - f. New Business
    - i. The following were voted into the SGA senate
      1. Clint Gray
      2. Lance Stephens
      3. John Hanna
    - ii. Senator Jackson made the motion to increase the GPA from a 2.0 for senators to a 2.5 and executive GPA from a 2.2 to a 2.75
      1. Motion passed

iii. Senator Baerwalde made the motion for an amendment to be made to Article 7, Section 4, Part D of the Constitution, by inserting “or a lack of majority 50% + 1” into the paragraph.

1. Motion passed.

g. Misc. Business

- i. Spectator has requested to pair up with SGA for a talent show on April 26
- ii. Senator Logan requested for everyone to please listen and make note of others comments and concerns during debate and invite classmates to SGA
- iii. Senator Patton reminded everyone to apply for the Student Union Scholarships
- iv. Vice President Powers announced that the spectator would be at our next meeting for a question and answer
- v. Senator Oshodi moved to adjourn the meeting, Gill seconded.

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### **Meeting Minutes**

**March 5, 2012**

- I. Meeting called to order at 8:00 PM
- II. Roll Call
- III. Minutes and Agenda Approved
- IV. Adoption of the minutes and agenda
- V. Reports
  - a. President
    - i. There are 3 VSU Presidential candidates at this point
  - b. Vice President
    - i. Would like to see more guests at town hall meetings, please get the word out.
    - ii. Meeting with Regent Tarbutton and Griffin was on Monday
  - c. Secretary
    - i. Cookout attendance is mandatory for all senators
  - d. Comptroller
    - i. Be thinking of some end of the year ideas for our SGA cookout
  - e. Committees
    - i. Elections-No report
    - ii. Health Services- No report
    - iii. Parking and Transportation- No Report
    - iv. Public Relations- Please get the word out about the cookout this week
    - v. Rules- Meet After
    - vi. Senate Finance- No report
    - vii. Senate Judiciary- Meet after
    - viii. Student Affairs- Meet After
  - f. New Business
    - i. The amount of food for the cookout was cut back so that we do not have too much food left over. It was voted on and passed.
    - ii. Brandon Gilbert was nominated to be voted on for March 19,2012.
  - g. Misc. Business
    - i. Kathryn Grant-spoke on HB 981, carrying handheld guns on college campuses
    - ii. Senator Ward reminded all senators about SGA t-shirts. She will be at the SGA cookout to collect sizes from everyone
    - iii. Senator Worthy is working on getting the name tags together for all senators
    - iv. Senator Oshodi moved to adjourn the meeting, Senator Gill seconded.



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### Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2012

- I. Meeting called to order at 8:00 PM
- II. Roll Call
- III. Minutes and Agenda Approved
- IV. Adoption of the minutes and agenda
- V. Reports
  - a. President
    - i. No report
  - b. Vice President
    - i. The Exec board will be meeting with President Levy on Wednesday at 12:30
    - ii. Visitation Day is Saturday
  - c. Secretary
    - i. No Report
  - d. Comptroller
    - i. No report
  - e. Committees
    - i. Elections- Election packet is complete
    - ii. Health Services- Meet After
    - iii. Parking and Transportation- No report
    - iv. Public Relations- Thanks for everyone who helped with the cookout
    - v. Rules- Meet After
    - vi. Senate Finance- No Report
    - vii. Senate Judiciary- No report
    - viii. Student Affairs- No report
  - f. New Business
    - i. Brandon Gilbert was voted in as SGA senator
    - ii. Motion was made to have food at the next townhall meeting. Motion was adopted for \$50 worth of pizza for the meeting.
  - g. Miscellaneous Business
    - i. Senator Oshodi stated that SGA is not allowed to give the senior gifts.
    - ii. Senator Smith is asking for people to help make flyers for the townhall on Wednesday
    - iii. Senator Ward needs the T-shirt money after the meeting tonight
    - iv. Senator Baerwalde moved to adjourn the meeting, Oshodi seconded.

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### Meeting Minutes

April 2, 2012

- I. Meeting called to order at 8:00 PM
- II. Roll Call
- III. Minutes and Agenda Approved
- IV. Adoption of the minutes and agenda
- V. Reports
  - a. Elections Commissioner-Rob Thrower
    - i. If you didn't receive an email then your application was not turned in on time.
    - ii. Seats 11-50 are up for grabs and 1-10 are reserve for the freshmen
    - iii. The debate will be on Tuesday, April 17 at 7PM in Powell Hall
    - iv. Voting will take place on April 19 and 20<sup>th</sup> starting at 7AM
    - v. The Election Results will be announce on April 23 at 8PM
    - vi. Contact Rob Thrower with any questions by emailing him:  
rpthrower@valdosta.edu
  - b. President
  - c. Vice President
    - i. SGA is no a programming body. Let's try to be strictly informative at our meetings
    - ii. Please sign up for "Talk to SGA" that will be on Wednesday and Thursday of this week from 12-2.
    - iii. See Senator Worthy to correct spelling on your name for the name tags
  - d. Secretary
  - e. Comptroller
  - f. Committees
    - i. Elections- No Report
    - ii. Health Services- No Report
    - iii. Parking and Transportation- No report
    - iv. Public Relations- No report
    - v. Rules- No report
    - vi. Senate Finance- No report
    - vii. Senate Judiciary- No Report
    - viii. Student Affairs- No Report
  - g. New Business
    - i. Senator Baerwalde motioned to strike sub section D from the Bylaws. The statement now should read, "All candidates should have their signs taken down by 7AM after the ending of elections".
      1. Motion was seconded and passed

- ii. Senator Jackson motioned to allocate \$600 to support relay for life by providing the lights.
    - 1. Motion was seconded and passed.
- h. Miscellaneous Business
  - i. Proposal for African Night- \$314.64 for reimbursement for African night was passed.
- i. Senator Hanna moved to adjourn the meeting, Senator Hall Seconded.

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### **Meeting Minutes**

**April 9, 2012**

- I. Meeting called to order at 8:00 PM
- II. Roll Call
- III. Minutes and Agenda Approved
- IV. Adoption of the minutes and agenda
- V. Reports
  - a. Kelly Cody
    - i. Former SGA president and current president of College Democrats spoke on Beautify Valdosta and Adopt a Highway. Please volunteer and get involved.
    - ii. Make sure to get involved with voting for this upcoming election.
  - b. President
    - i. No report
  - c. Vice President
    - i. April 16, 2012 will be our last meeting of the semester.
  - d. Secretary
    - i. No Report
  - e. Comptroller
    - i. No report
  - f. Committees
    - i. Elections- NR
    - ii. Health Services- NR
    - iii. Parking and Transportation- NR
    - iv. Public Relations- NR
    - v. Rules- NR
    - vi. Senate Finance- NR
    - vii. Senate Judiciary- NR
    - viii. Student Affairs- NR
  - g. New Business
  - h. Miscellaneous Business
    - i. Senator Baerwalde moved to adjourn the meeting, Oshodi seconded.