

Student Government Association

Student Senate Meeting

September 22, 2016

Location: Senate Chamber

Call to Order: 7:33pm

Approval of Minutes:

Pass: Yes: _____ Fail: _____

Roll Call:

Last	First	Present	Excused
Bach	Vivian	*	
Bishop	Ben		
Blanchard	Courtney	*	
Boyd	Christian		
Chen	Megan	*	
Clarke	Andrew		
Connell	Tony Joe		
Courtney	Ashley	*	
Craft	Alex		
Cross	Hugh	*	
Durant	Dekitra	*	
Faulk	Kenny	*	
Fulcher	Dalton	*	
Hartwell	Jordan		*
Hennings	Leslie	*	
Higgins	Cydney		
Houston	Jeffrey	*	
Inman	Madison	*	
Johnson	Michelle	*	
Joosse	Jacquelyn	*	

Lamb	Railyn		
Marbibi	Abigail		*
Mok	Andrew		*
Myers	Kristian	*	
Naifeh	Payton		
O'Brien	Will	*	
Ortego	Lainey	*	
Petty	Caley	*	
Rountree	Justin	*	
Sturdivant	AJ	*	
Swift	Dante		
Taylor	JT	*	
Taylor	David	*	
Todd	Kylee	*	
Vandergrift	Heather		*

Members Present: 22

Guest Speakers:

- Land bridge presentation
 - No renderings of the project
 - In the listening phase
 - Want to show the scope and ask what we think about it
 - Image shown on the screen shows
 - Described where the project will be
 - Described the Land Bridge
 - Several problems
 - Biggest problem: The amount of stairs will be used to get to the bridge
 - Question is how to view this thing to make this better
 - Questions
 - We have a lot of green space and no one uses it to study. We need places to have some sort of park and have a space where students feel comfortable sitting.
 - This is a central design concept
 - Is the accension on both sides or just on the alumni mall side?
 - Thinks there are two
 - Sees oppritunity

- How are you meeting the needs of students with disabilities?
 - There are two elevators on either side
 - Assured to be totally accessible
- Would it be similar to how the University Center is connected to the parking garage
 - Yes
- Will there be lights on the bridge and the blue safety lights
 - Yes and there will be cameras
- Will the stairs be similar to an amphitheater on the Alumni Mall side?
 - Yes
 - Beautiful view to the Admin building
- What are the extent of the activities in this area?
 - Currently there are two concerts that take place in that area
 - Students come to concerts
 - Over 5000 last spring
 - Just depends on the time
 - RSO Fair
 - Inflatables
- Needs to be a way for both a park aspect and concert area
- Will have an increase in overall green space
- Is there any decorative designs?
 - Definitely
 - Maybe a mural image
 - Bridge itself will take on a quality and character for itself
 - Fogelman has art up the stairs
- Actual top of the bridge material?
 - Surface of the bridge maybe concrete
 - One of the concepts is seen as a board terraced bridge
 - A lot you can do with concrete
- What are your concepts for the bridge?
 - On either side may have rooms
- Is there an estimation about how long it will take to cross the bridge?
 - 5 mins
- Can we do handprints in the bridge?
 - Tiger pawprints
 - For famous or notable alumni
- Will I feel the train?
 - No
 - Goal is for you not to be able to feel the bridge
- How long til complete?
 - Fall of 2018
 - Get the bridge and rec on the same schedule
- Entering design process for the landbridge
 - 14 months for rec
 - Garage
- Roof or awning over the land bridge

- Over the bridge there will not be
 - There could be isolated ones
 - How much will construction interfere with us getting to class?
 - Some form of crossing but not a few
 - Not liable for interrupting the train
- Graduate Student Association Presentation
 - Asked to go through the process for funding for graduate students
 - Won't fund amenities
 - Allocate funding for certain percentages
 - Cap funding at \$600 a piece
 - Awarded 217 graduate students
 - Average of 276 a person
 - Now we have awarded 35
 - Average amount awarded \$440
 - Wants more funding
 - How much is the total budget
 - 65,000
- Zach Crawford about TISL
 - Go to Nashville and have 27 people going
 - Sit and present bills and debate bills
 - Go against the rest of TN
 - Head delegate: Candace Herman
 - Looking for people to come and compete in Nashville
 - Representatives and Senate
 - Representatives are the bread and butter
 - Grown more successful as the years have gone on
 - Lobbyists
 - Talk to individuals
 - Media
 - Firm
 - Anything for anyone in any major
 - Big networking experience
 - Looking for 27 people
 - Applications under SGA under forms on Tiger Zone

Officer Reports:

Committee Reports:

- Judicial: Daulton Fulcher was elected Co- Chair and Laniey Ortego was elected clerk.
- Student Services: Hugh Cross was elected the Co- Chair. The group then worked on bills
- Student Development: Cayley Petty was elected Co- Chair and Vivian Bach was elected clerk. They then picked 3 bills that they were interested in presenting.
- Finance: Andrew Clark was elected Co- Chair and Ashley Courtney was elected as the clerk.
- Environmental: Madison Inaman was elected Co- Chair and Dekitra Durant was elected clerk. They then talked over bills.

Old Business:

New Business:

- Introduction of the Attorney General Nominee True Merritt
 - Keep all branches of SGA following the rules
 - Natalie Spoke about her
 - Motion and second
 - Discussion
 - Explain the position
 - Work with all positions
 - Holds each branch accountable
 - Advises judicial board
 - Motion to vote and seconded
 - All in favor
 - Full vote
- Two Senate Appointments
 - David Scott
 - Blake Stanton
 - Motion to approve and Seconded
 - Discussion
 - Motion to vote
 - All in favor for both
- Travel Bills
 - James Briscoe
 - National Communication Association attendee
 - Discussion
 - Grad or undergrad
 - Graduate
 - Voted All in favor
 - Madeline Capstick
 - 2016 Southern Association of Counselor Education and Supervision
 - Asking for \$370
 - Voted All in favor
 - Jennifer Drabowicz
 - Asking for \$370
 - Voted All in favor
 - Madhav Ghimire
 - Asking for \$496
 - Voted All in favor
 - Katherine Haaga
 - Asking for \$370
 - Voted All in favor
 - Rebecca Kamody
 - Asking for \$600
 - Voted All in favor
 - Sungmin Lee

- Asking for \$234
 - Voted All in favor
- Rebecca Warren
 - Asking for \$161
 - Voted All in favor
- Daniel Gabriel
 - Asking for \$657
 - It will be refunded to them if approved
 - Voted All in favor

Adviser Comments:

- Oct 5 Secretary of State is coming to the Rec center
 - Will substitute for office hours
- Next Tuesday voter registration day
 - Need to be there
- Congratulations to Hugh for getting a counselor to the Law School
- Bringing things that will truly impact the University
- Jared and natalie will be meeting with the heads of each college to see what is needed

Roll Call:

Adjourn: 8:35pm

Tony Joe Connell

Speaker of the Senate

Jacquelyn Joosse

Chief Clerk