Student Government Association  
General Meeting Minutes #3  
Friday, September 7, 2007

Meeting was brought to order at 1:01pm

Members Present: Jekeyma Robinson, Mike Mebrahtu, Travis Brannon, Elena Klinova, Meron Belachow (Meri), Tim Matney, Loven Livesay, Chris Stout, Josh Vaughn, Kasey Cantrell, Luke Parks, Jewell Worley

Members Tardy: Abubakarr Massaquoi

Members Absent: Alesha Allen and Cody Edwards

Secretary Report

Minutes
Elena: Motion to pass the minutes for August 24th and 31st.
Tim: Seconds the motion
*motion passes*

Treasurer Report

Budget
Travis: We have $5,850 in the budget. We’re waiting on numbers from the Homecoming Committee. We should allot money from the general funds so that SGA can have more money.

Vice President Report

Homecoming
Loven: Travis and I went to the hotel (Inn at Norton) and made all of the arrangements. Glasses have been ordered. Tiaras have been designed. Glasses are due to be delivered on Thursday. Flyers need to be hung up.

Communications
Elena: The flyers say the dance is from 10pm to 1am. The time for the event has been extended to 2am.
Mike: Homecoming flyers need to be hung up. Josh Vaughan has volunteered to hang up flyers.

Regional Leadership Retreat
Luke: Things are going well. The theme is something like “Leading My Community One Good Deed at a Time”. Other ideas will be accepted.
Mike: check e-mails for check list of different committees.

Holly Ball
Tim: I've spoken with the café manager for catering prices. I tried to book the Student Center, but there is an Art show at the same time. I'm looking for decorating ideas.

**Winter Spirit**
Chris: We're waiting on the snow to get here. He's looking for ideas.
Mike: We can have community involvement.
Travis: We can go caroling around the campus resident halls.

**President Report**

**Unfinished Business**

**Teammates for Life**
Bakarr: Motion to allow teammates for life to become an organization.
Luke: Seconds the motion.
---Discussion---
Mike suggested a broader mission statement.
Jekeyma: Talk to Jim Colley at the (Baptist Collegiate Ministries to revise the constitution.
*Friendly Amendment by Luke: The chairs, purpose, and a few other changes need to be made.
- Bakarr accepts the friendly amendment.
Elena seconds the motion.
*motion passes*

**SVEA**
Julie Fields requested $1,500 from SGA for the total event cost of $3,600.
Elena: Did you ask any other organizations for funds?
Julie: I asked for a grand and Pepsi is donating drinks.
Travis: $1,000 was allotted for the event last year.
Elena: SGA needs to be on flyers as co-sponsors.
Travis: $4,350 is left after the $1,500 allotment.
Tim: It's a worthy cost.
  Tim: Motion to allot $1,500 to SVEA
  Bakarr: Seconds the motion.
  *motion passes*

**Rugby Club**
No club member was present.

**New Business**

There is no new business.

**Open Forum**

Travis: The Cavalier newspaper is doing great.
Tim: We should get a homecoming add in the newspaper.
Mike: I'll speak to them and get it done.
Bakarr: My card does not open the SGA office door.
Elena: Flyers should also be given to Resident Advisors to help spread the word.
Jekeyma: I've spoken to Allyson from the Student Activities Board (SAB) to get some money for the Cavalier Mascot.
Travis: I suggest that $979 should come out of the General funds and not the SGA funds.
Luke: We should try and ask local businesses to help out (like athletic boosters).
Tim: We should ask the music department for support because the marching band would like the mascot as well.
Bakarr: We should get buses to provide transportation to the Homecoming game for off campus students.
Travis: We should also get the transportation for the Homecoming dance at the Inn.

Elections

The ballots are ready. It's been tested. Everyone gets one computer vote. It'll be 24 hours (starting at 8am on Tuesday, Sept. 11th and ending at 8am on Wednesday, Sept. 12th).

Advisor Report

- Congrats to Stephen for doing a great job with elections.
- On Saturday, Sept. 15th, we'll have a SGA retreat. We'll need to vote between 12-3pm or 3-6pm. The consensus was 12-3pm. We will have our new members by then and we will review the constitution.
- The student Leadership Luncheon is September 19th from 12-1pm.
- The Juhan Leadership retreat will cost $2,829.30.

Travis: Maybe we can get the SAB to possibly host events during the week nights of Homecoming week.
Mike: We need to work on not being tardy or absent. Please be on time.

Tim: Motion to adjourn the meeting.
Bakarr: Seconds the motion
*motion passes*

Meeting Adjourned at 1:38pm