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MINUTES OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
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Call to Order: Vice President called the regular meeting of the Student Government Association to Order.

Roll Call: Those absent included: Martha Bonds, Derek Durbin, Chad Nuckols, Katheryn Deutsch, Aaron High, Amy Risley, Sarah Leonard, Shavonna Smith, Katie Staples, Corletta Keys, Teresa Criss, Joe Matheis, and Jason Reeves.

Officer Reports: President, Keith Coffman President Coffman reported on his meeting with several officials regarding University Blvd. There will be no skywalk for now. A few short-term decisions were made: the speed limit will be lowered from 35 mph to 25 mph, the yellow lights will flash 24 hours a day, and rumble strips will be added 50 feet before the crosswalks to warn drivers of students crossing. Next, he encouraged everyone to attend the President's Preston Premiere at the Preston Center on Wednesday November 12 at 4:30 p.m. There will be a student basketball team playing against the President's team of administrators. President Coffman then encouraged everyone to attend all Hilltopper athletic events in support of all our teams. He announced that the football team went 9-1 during the regular season and will be going to the play-offs soon. The women's pre-season NIT will be at Diddle Arena on Friday November 14. Finally, President Coffman awarded the President's Award to Eddie Schwab for all his enthusiasm on Congress.

Vice President, Leigh Ann Sears Vice President Sears congratulated Congress on all their hard work; there are 9 pieces of legislation up for first reading tonight. She reminded Congress that if anyone is wanting legislation typed for the meetings that the office secretaries need them turned in by the Mondays before the meetings. Next, Vice President Sears reported that she will be meeting with Facilities Management this week about the location of the proposed stage project on DUC South Lawn and she will also be meeting with Scott Taylor regarding the funding. Finally, she announced that SGA will be sponsoring a contest for someone to create a mural for the office wall; watch for advertisements in the Herald.

Director of Public Relations, Heather Rogers PR Director Rogers announced that she had written a commentary for the Herald that explained the suggestion boxes in the residence halls, DUC and Garret. There is a survey in the paper for all students to fill out and place them in these boxes. If you go by one of these boxes, please check them. Next, Director Rogers announced that there will be a blood drive on December 3 and SGA has been asked to help promote it. A representative from the Red Cross will speak to Congress on November 18. All committee heads need to list all the activities they have done this semester and turn them into her. Director Rogers will be making posters that have all activities listed on them to post in the office. Next, Rogers reminded everyone to watch out for upcoming UCB events especially next semester and to encourage other students to attend. Director Rogers then elaborated on the Student Government Mural Contest. She will be placing an ad in the Herald to promote this. The deadline for submitting a drawing will be December 2 at 5 p.m. Finally, Rogers told Congress to wear their SGA shirts next Tuesday.

Secretary, Jamie Fite Secretary Fite presented certificates to Laura Hancock for Congress Member of the Month and to Jason Hyde for Committee Member of the Month. She read the list

of Open Positions which included: Education College, Graduate College, Non-Traditional, Sophomore Off-Campus, Junior Off-Campus, Senior Off-Campus, Barnes Campbell, Bemis Lawrence, New Sorority Hall, Pearce Ford Tower, South Hall, Rodes Harlin and Freshman Council. She read the list of new applicants for Congress. They included: Melissa Lee, Timothy Hatton, William Brown, Kristen Nicholson and Maxwell Johnson. Voting on these applicants will take place during New Business. Finally, Secretary Fite asked those members who are not returning to Congress next year to please tell her as soon as possible so that she can plan accordingly.

Treasurer, Chad Lewis Treasurer Lewis reported that the past 2 weeks expenditures totaled \$731.95. Expenditures to date total \$10,910.97 leaving the account balance at \$30,845.03.

**Committee
Reports**

Academic Affairs Vice-Chair J Thomas gave the report due to the absence of Chairperson Matt Bastin from that week's committee meeting. He announced that they had written several pieces of legislation and had accomplished quite a bit. There are a couple of pieces of legislation coming up for first reading tonight.

Student Affairs Chairperson Jason Cole announced that the committee had 3 pieces of legislation up for first reading tonight. He also reported that letters had been mailed out to many camps regarding the Camp Fair in February.

LRC: Chairperson Andy Gailor reported that the committee reviewed and passed resolution 97-13-F and Bill 97-3-F; those will be up for second reading tonight. The committee had to table the resolution regarding Housing Scholarships because the author was not present. He praised all of the authors of the legislation because they have been well-written this year. The committee is also working on revising the election code. He closed by reminding all authors to be present at LRC next week if they want their legislation to come up for second reading.

Constitutional Review Chairperson Anne Guillory announced that the committee had finished revising the Constitution. They will meet just a few more times to make final corrections to it.

Public Relations Chairperson Jenny Stith asked that all Residence Hall Representatives please check the suggestion boxes in their respective hall. If they are on the front desk Residence Life has asked that they be placed elsewhere. She asked that everyone please encourage other students to use these boxes.

Campus Improvements Chairperson Callie Varner announced that the committee had 2 pieces of legislation coming up for first reading tonight. She asked that all residence hall representatives check to see if students wanted soap dispensers and ice machines in their halls. Finally, she announced that the print design for the Designated Driver cards had been printed and that she was taking those so to be printed up and should be out soon.

Hillraisers Chairperson Jason Heflin asked that all Hillraisers support the men and women's basketball teams this season. He reminded everyone that the committee meets at 5:30 every Wednesday.

**Academic
Council**

Potter College - Representative Callie Varner announced that the Potter College Academic Council met and reviewed and renewed several classes that met general education requirements.
Ogden College - No report.

Business College - Representative Mandy Holbert reported that the curriculum committee met and discussed 4 new course proposals. They are ACCT 499, FIN 499, MKT 499 and MGT 499.

These are senior assessment courses that were all approved unanimously to be added to each respective course, pending approval by Academic Council. They also elected one faculty member and one student to serve on the college academic complaint committee. The student selected was Chad Lewis.

COA No report.

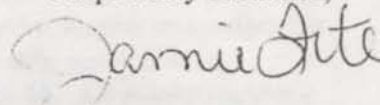
Unfinished Business Up for second reading was Bill 97-3-F "Designated Driver Cards." The author, Callie Varner spoke in favor of the bill. Several questions were raised of the author including how will the cards be distributed and will they be distributed to those only over age 21. Callie Varner discussed various ways to distribute these and the cards will be offered to anyone who wants one. Eddie Schwab motioned to accept Bill 97-3-F. Motion was seconded by Jason Cole and passed unanimously. Also up for second reading was Resolution 97-9-F "Paper Towels in DUC restrooms." The author, Jason Hyde, spoke in favor of the resolution. Eddie Schwab moved to accept resolution 97-9-F and Callie Varner seconded it. Resolution passed unanimously.

New Business: Ten pieces of legislation came up for first reading. These pieces included Resolutions 97-11-F "Speed Hump in Regents Parking Lot," 97-12-F "Increasing 10 minute parking to 15 minutes," 97-14-F "Additional Non-Categorical Writing Course Requirements," 97-15-F "Syllabi Announcement in the Schedule Bulletin," 97-16-F "Replacing the Sidewalk of Thompson Complex Central Wing," 97-17-F "Sanitary Residence Hall Restrooms on the Weekends," and 97-20-F "Recognizing Honor Graduates." Also up for reading was Bill 97-4-F "Purchasing a 20' x 20' Tent." Next in new business Congress voted in 3 new members. They are Melissa Lee - Sophomore Off-Campus, William Brown - Pearce Ford Tower Representative, and Timothy Hatton - Rodes Harlin Representative. President Keith Coffman swore these new members into Congress.

Announcements: Coordinator of Committees, Stephanie Cosby, announced that the Committee heads need to meet with her next week after the meeting for a few minutes. President Coffman encouraged everyone to attend the last Volleyball game of the year tonight at 7:00 p.m. in Diddle Arena. He also announced that UCB was planning a couple of big events for next semester they include a comedy act by Jamie Foxx and the musical group Goldfinger.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded and passed. Meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jamie Fite, Secretary
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