

Student Government Association Meeting

November 22, 2008

Room CLBG 1E1

Minutes

In Attendance: Dean of Students Linda Nickel, Vice-President of Student Services: Paul Finney, Executive Assistant to VP of Student Services: Lisa Kincaid, SGA President Bill Mathews, SGA Sophomore Commissioners: Jessica Transou, and Matt McHughes, and SGA Freshman Commissioners: Eric Henson Jr., Jamie Clement, and Shane Ray.

In Late Attendance: SGA Vice-President Nichole McCoy, SGA Secretary/Treasurer Chelsea Jeffery, SGA Sophomore Commissioner Nora Mercado (Spanish Club), Savannah SGA Vice-President Basil Williams, and Melissa Joe.

Bill Mathews opened the meeting at 2:06 p.m. Chelsea Jeffery read off the minutes from the previous meeting, no objections were made, minutes approved. Roll was taken.

Mr. Finney took the floor first and talked about the economic short fall. He expressed that there is going to be a committee to look over the programs and more. Nothing has been done so far and we should try and ensure the students to not listen to the rumors. He also announced that the first JSCC TISL group was extremely successful. Out of the two Best Delegate Awards JSCC received one. Bill Mathews received one of the ten Carlisle Awards. Eric Henson Jr. was voted next year's Small Caucus Vice Chair. Also, of the five bills that JSCC brought two were passed by TISL and both were Bill Mathews' (one partly submitted by Chelsea Jeffery). Bill added that, out of 101 bills presented, only 15 were passed at TISL all together.

Bill made announcements about the Theater Club's play and JSCC Food Pantry. Lisa, Chelsea, Shane, and he went to the play the night before, everyone thoroughly enjoyed it, and said if anyone can go, go. The Theatre Club out did themselves. Next, Bill announced that our food pantry is full and we need to start thinking of people who will be in need of food. Bill suggested that a flyer be made announcing that if someone is in need of food they should come get it. Chelsea suggested that if extra food is left over a donation to RIFA could be made because they are in desperate need of food.

Matt McHughes told the group about the SPEC Committee meeting he attended in place of Bill. Matt said that the meeting was very interesting and mainly about diversity on campus. Also, Nora and Jamie have attended two of their Diversity Committee meetings. They

announced that one of the things brought up was giving one hundred incoming students new laptops.

Bill next allowed Basil to give his Savannah Campus Report. They have now raised another five dollars for St. Jude. They will be doing a Thanksgiving food drive to make five baskets of food for people and any extra food he would like to donate to the JSCC Food Pantry or RIFA. The Faculty is still strongly behind them and Basil has been able to get two candidates, so far, for next semesters SGA vice-president. Bill expressed his happiness about the progress by saying how he believes the Savannah SGA has done a complete turn around.

Next, Nora announced that the ADHOC Committee met earlier that day at 1 p.m. Basil announced the proposals to change the SGA Constitution. After looking over and adding suggestions to Article I Jessica made a motion to adopt the proposal, Basil seconded. After, looking over and adding suggestions to Article II Nichole made a motion to adopt the proposal, Basil seconded. After, looking over and adding suggestions to Article III Basil made a motion to adopt the proposal, Nichole seconded. After, looking over and adding suggestions to Article IV Jessica moved to adopt the proposal, Chelsea seconded. After, looking over and adding suggestions to Article V Jessica moved to adopt the proposal, Eric seconded.

Jessica made a motion for a small break, Eric seconded. No objections were made, short break from 3:37 to 3:45 p.m.

Bill first asked Nora to give the update about the Christmas float. Nora told the group that the skirting, Snoopy, and Woodstock were done. Also, if anyone could help after the meeting, it would be appreciated.

For the next order of business, Bill brought up TISL again. Eric, Jessica, Andrew McArthur, and he went to Nashville the weekend before. He expressed that it is an experience everyone should get a chance to have, it was a lot of work with no sleep but very well worth it. The group received numerous awards like Best New Delegate and Best Delegation of All. Next, Bill said they have been keeping in touch with other schools through Face Book, if anyone can get on and find the TISL groups, do so.

Next, Bill said a time and date to hand out the winnings of the Dodge ball Tournament and Halloween Results the week before Thanksgiving needs to be done.

Lisa then took the floor and to say that Victor will most defiantly help move the SGA Spring Elections on-line. Someone will have to get with him over the Christmas break. Jessica and Jamie volunteered.

Bill next expressed that he wanted to have someone in charge of the New Student Orientation. Basil volunteered along with Nichole. Basil will be Chair and Nichole Vice-Chair. He told them he wants a meeting before Christmas Break.

Bill told the group he has made quite a few new correspondences with Columbia State via Face Book and cell phone. Bill said if anyone has any questions about how to navigate face Book to ask Matt.

In new business, Basil had a proposal to change the SGA description on the website. Jessica made a motion to adopt, Eric seconded. Bill moved to a vote to change as amended, the ayes have it.

Before ending the meeting Bill took time to say that the ADHOC committee did a great job.

Bill adjourned the meeting at 4:18 p.m.