

SGA Meeting
March 17, 2010
Jackson Campus C-213

In Attendance: Vice President for Student Services Paul L. Finney, SGA Advisor Lisa Kincaid, SGA President Chelsea Jeffery, Secretary /Treasurer James R. Fowler, Sophomore Senators: Nora Mercado and Jessica Weatherspoon, SGA Freshman Senators Brandon Holt , Biology SGA Rep. Eva Atripp, Philosophy SGA Rep. Jackie Conway, Chess SGA Rep. Bryson Curry, Computer SGA Rep. Justin Anthony, Computer SGA Rep, and SNA SGA Rep Lisa Marie Cook.

In Excused Late Attendance: Freshman Senator Holly Hollingsworth.

Call to Order: Chelsea called the meeting to order at 01:02 PM.

Minutes: James Fowler read the minutes. Eva Atripp made the motion to approve, Jessica Weatherspoon seconded it and the minutes were approved.

Announcements: Chelsea told the group about priority registration. Priority starts on April 5, 2010. The SGA elections run during the same time period and Chelsea suggested seeing if the workers in registration can help students get online and vote at the same time.

Each spring JSCC holds awards night where club members, SGA Officers, and others are recognized for their efforts. Lisa explained that this year's Awards night is April 22, 2010.

Chelsea, also, announced that there will be two Student Safety Seminars conducted, one on March 23 and one on March 24 right outside the Counseling Office.

James informed that group that the Veterans Counseling Services meets every Tuesday between 9:30 and 2:00 in the auditorium in the McWherter center. They are there for any Veterans that need any type of help especially anyone returning to civilian life from combat.

April 15 will be JSCC night at the Diamond Jaxx game. Chelsea told the group that the game will start at 7:05 PM and several of the clubs, including the Spanish and Repertory clubs, will have tables set up. The athletic teams will be there and in uniform. SGA Sponsored Miss JSCC 2009 will be there signing photos. It is \$1 night with general admission and certain foods costing only \$1. Chelsea would like everyone to attend.

There will be a Job interview session given by LeAnn Gray in Room C213 on April 14 between 10 and 11 for anyone who needs pointers on how to prepare for interviews.

Old Business:

- ❖ Dodge ball tournament is on and Brandon wants to set up tables to get teams signed up for the tournament. Everything is in place except for the trophies. Chelsea has all the referees set up and will have a practice game on April 7 between 12 and 1, right before the SGA meeting to give the referees a chance to practice. She would like anyone who can to come participate so we can also get practice. She would also like all the clubs to put together a team. Table locations were discussed and it was decided that one table would be set up in the Class Room building. A question was asked if you could play on more than one team. Chelsea said she has not seen anything in the rules that say you can't.
- ❖ Club Information Sheets. Chelsea asked everyone to double check with their clubs to get feedback on whether they are going to help on the cost or not. She let us know which clubs have already responded.
- ❖ Elections—Chelsea told everyone which offices are up for election. Signs have been placed in many of the classroom, signs have been hung from the ceiling, and the A-frames have been put out. If anyone has any other ideas how to get people to sign up please let Chelsea know. She talked about possibly contacting High School Student Governments and let them know about our open Freshman Senator positions. She is going to do some research on the legality of doing that. Justin said he would talk to Crockett County High School.
- ❖ Twitter—Holly made a post about the elections.
- ❖ Face Book—James will make a post about the elections also.
- ❖ Group Page—Chelsea said that there have been a couple of comments about the possibility of the full time status changing.
- ❖ Pen proposal—The Company we were going to order through had discontinued the pen but Chelsea was able to find another company and actually save SGA some money.
- ❖ SGA Constitution—SGA members need to make sure that Article VII is worded how we want it once it is passed because once it is passed it will be hard to change. Chelsea will email the Advisors to let them know that discussion had begun on it. Club members are the ones that vote but the advisors are the ones that have to keep up with it so everyone needs to talk to their advisors.

Correspondence: Brandon Scott, President of Lexington PTK, wants to put on a free concert. He has one performer but needs more. He also needs a PA system. If anyone knows anyone that would like to perform just let him know. He is shooting to do it on April 23.

New Business:

- ❖ TISL will be holding a meeting at Union on Thursday March 18, 2010 between 5:30 and 7:30. Senator Lowe Finney will be speaking about the happenings in Nashville,

especially anything that will affect the College Students. Chelsea talked about the laws that have recently passed in Nashville and about the three articles written in the Jackson Sun about them. She has a copy if anyone once to read them. Mr. Finney said they are very well written articles with a lot of information. Anyone is welcome to come by his office if they are interested in reading them. He also talked about one of the positive things from the bill and that is that the colleges are going to get together and discuss which classes will transfer from the Community Colleges to a four year college. This will make transfers easy for the students. A question was asked—does it cover what tuition will be? Mr. Finney explained that it is a ways off and how the money for colleges is acquired along with how it will affect the cost of tuition. All the stimulus money goes away in 2011 and that is when the big hit in tuition will come. He gave us an overview of how the money comes from the state and from the student's tuition. He talked about the possibility of layoffs in the future and that four year schools will no longer offer developmental courses. Those students will now wind up at Community Colleges.

- ❖ The Easter egg hunt will be Saturday March 20 from 10 till 1. Volunteers are needed and they need to be at the school by 8:30. Kids 8 and under are welcome.
- ❖ Alcohol Awareness is April 8. Chelsea asked for volunteers to work our booth. Talked about changing theme from Tiki bar because of it sounding like it contradicts Alcohol Awareness. We discussed several different themes. Chelsea will submit the ideas through the Counseling Office to see which one they feel comfortable with.
- ❖ Comment Card Proposal—Chelsea read the proposal and asked the group what their feelings were. Everyone was in agreement of it being a great way to communicate. Eva made the motion to approve and Jessica seconded it, no objections were made, proposal approved. Only concern is whether anyone will use them.
- ❖ Student Seating—Chelsea read the proposal and explained that students are sitting on the table outside the night office, which blocks traffic up and down the hall way as well as coming down the stairs. By revamping the vending areas we could free up some room for chairs so students could sit between classes. Jessica made the motion to approve and Eva seconded it, no objections, proposal was approved.
- ❖ Stair signing—Chelsea read the proposal, Jackie made the motion to approve and Nora seconded it, no objections, proposal was approved.
- ❖ Proposal to change graduation line up—Nichole McCoy introduced this proposal last year as SGA Vice President and it was passed. Nothing was done so she got 161 signatures in two days and asked Chelsea to resubmit it. Chelsea agreed to sponsor it so she read it and explained what it was about. Mr. Finney stated that the wording needed to be consistent throughout the proposal and made suggestions how to fix it. With the changes Jackie made the motion to approve and Eva seconded, no objections, proposal was approved with the changes.

- ❖ Inclement weather proposal—Chelsea had asked the group to read the present weather policy and give her feedback on it. She had not heard from anyone so she put together a proposal and read it to the group. She asked everyone’s opinion and Mr. Finney pointed out the wording in the first sentence needed to be changed but other than that looked fine. With the changes Eva made the motion to approve and Brandon seconded it, no objections, proposal was approved.

Chelsea Jeffery adjourned the meeting at 2:19 p.m.