

“To lead the student body with integrity and consistency.”

Student Government Association

88th General Body Meeting

22 September 2021



- I. Call to Order - President Johnson
- II. Roll Call – Chief of Staff Gary
- III. Approval of 87th Meeting Minutes
  - A. Senator Rhodes motions to approve; Senator Valdez seconds
- IV. Office Reports
  - A. Carrie and Danielle- CARE/VISTAs
    - Serve students who are homeless or foster care
    - Provide outreach opportunities
    - Who.Hunger – 3 week campus wide food drive
      - Starts week of Homecoming
    - Emergency Assistance program – Served over 500 students
      - Serve KSU students who need financial help
      - Provided hotel stays
    - VISTA Network – eradicating poverty locally\*\* 2:55
      - Receive education award (over 6,000 dollars) and stipend
      - Great way to get work experience
      - 7 different worksites on campus
      - Summer vista program
        - 10 weeks; stipend, extra \$1300 education award
    - Contact: [careservices.kennesaw.edu](http://careservices.kennesaw.edu)
  - B. Directors
    - Communications
      - Posted mental health graphic
      - Updated website
        - Need headshots of senators, look for an email from her and Andrew

- Comms Coalition
  - Reached out to RSO's about creating a coalition of social media coordinators
- Internal Affairs 17:26
  - Reached out to Dr. Briggs
    - Want to do a Covid-19 awareness virtual reach out event
      - give more information about vaccine
  - Will create survey to send to students about how they feel about Covid-19
  - Marietta Caucus
    - Event: Joint art exhibit
    - Will create interest survey to see if students want to participate
    - Tentative date: Spring
  - Panel in the spring with qualified experts who want to speak about vaccine, partnering with D&I
- Director of Diversity and Inclusion
  - Tabling to create conversation about pronouns/sexual identity
  - Senator Powell wants help with clothes drive; 22nd of October in LGBTQ+ Resource Center
  - Met with Shemeka Wells today
    - She showed him web structure with labels
      - She advised it to be held on the Green during D&I Week
      - Senator Valdez suggested we present in the museum in the Art building
  - CARE
    - Partner with her on pipeline program regarding helping transition foster kids get into college by providing scholarships and workshops
  - D&I/Internal Panel
  - Reached out to mentor at CDC
    - Can't speak at panel, but can help with questions
  - Reached out to biology professor that can help with panel

C. President Pro Tempore

- Met with Dr. Arneson last week regarding SGA and FSL
- Will meet with representative from FSL
- Thank you for sending documents on time
- Will meet with senators next week
- Creating a poll and will put in social chat regarding top five things for a (fun) senate retreat

#### D. Chief Justice

- Met with senators and faculty
  - Dr. Briggs and Dr. Arneson about the Judicial Branch
  - Laying the infrastructure for the Judicial Branch
- Sat in on the ad-hoc committee
- Meeting with President Johnson tomorrow, September 23rd
- If you have any questions about Article 23, please let him know.

#### E. Treasurer Pfohl

- Had a SABAC meeting today
- If you are in RSO and need resources, please email SABAC
- Met with GA Tech treasurer and directed them to CARES
- Met with Ga Tech and UGA treasurers
- Finished infographic for funds that CFO sent her and will send to Press Secretary Weston

#### F. Vice President Wittmayer

#### G. President Johnson

- Filling vacancies; close to having a full senate
- Want to advertise for External and Academic Directors
- Met with Bre Burriss with FSL and talked about uplifting Greek life
  - Met with BETA Theta Pi
    - If anyone is interested and wants to help lay the groundwork, please let her know.
- She is now over the ad-hoc committee
- Serving on search committees
- Amani and Andrew will have a show on Owl Radio
  - Every other Monday from 6-7pm
  - If you have suggestions for the name, please let her know.
- Homecoming
  - Brian Garsh encouraging SGA to run for

### Homecoming and participate

- Dr. Coleman - KSU's Antiracism school – series of workshops and meeting about cultural competency from KSU's Diverse of Inclusive Excellence
- Football suite – will have tables, chairs, and banners next time

### H. Advisor(s) Update

- Dr. Arneson
  - Three pep rallies on the Green and 1pm on the Marietta campus
    - First one is next Friday at 12:30pm
    - Marching owls, cheerleaders, free food, swag,
- Dr. Briggs
  - Search committee
    - Want to invite KSU students and SGA on the Q&A Forum
  - USG - Mental health conservative \*\* 37
    - Looking at how to be more efficient in helping students and providing resources
  - Appeal process
    - Looking on how to be more innovative and timelier
    - Tentative: Next academic year
  - Seeing more violations in academic integrity
  - SABAC – need help in seeing what RSOs need; please share concerns that your RSOs have

### V. Open Forum (2 min/officer)

- Senator Onuzulike
  - Discussed Texas abortion laws and dress codes
  - Looking for chair and cochair for Gender and Work life Commission
- Senator Harrison
  - Personal project: Aimed toward student athletes who struggle with resources that KSU provides
    - Want to create sub section on KSU website
    - Concerns: scholarships, financial aid
    - Contacted SAC chair to discuss the proper resources to put on the website

- Senator Fortson
  - Contacted Dean of college
  - Scheduled meeting with academic advisor
  - Setting up tabling event to education constituents about pronouns
  - Created survey for constituents to find out their needs/concerns
- Senator Assa
  - Meeting with engineering RSOs
  - Meeting with Marietta Caucus – ART Event in the Spring
  - Meeting with Dean Ferguson to discuss aerospace engineering degree
- Senator Rea
  - Reached out to professors in Coles College to discuss what they might be lacking
    - Lack of communication between students and faculty
  - Project: Gateway for students to be informed on job opportunities/scholarships
- Senator Mann
  - Reached out to Marketing department in Coles College
    - Professor concerns: increase communication
- Senator Valdez
  - Meeting with Shemeka Wells to discuss and finalize events in Diversity Week
  - Met with Senator Fortson to table in the WellStar college to discuss pronouns
  - Met with Senator Powell to discuss Ball event
  - Releasing survey to President of Pride Alliance to inform personal project
- Senator Wahab
  - Want to create a bigger prayer room; called quiet reflection room now
- Senator Heath
  - Met with Dean last Tuesday to discuss plans
    - Dean student advisory board
    - Task: Want to organize 1 event per semester
    - Will send applications next semester

- Want to do escape room and scavenger hunt in the H&SS
- Senator Rhodes
  - Met with Interim regarding opportunities for the college
    - Want to increase graduation rate
    - Retention rate is 79%
    - Want to create mental health initiatives
- Senator Williams
  - Meeting with Brian Garsh to discuss personal project
  - Meeting with co-senator next week
- Senator Matthews
  - Speed mentoring event; want students from various organizations
    - Once a semester
  - Make a space area – Launching next Fall
  - Norman Radow is coming this Thursday to the Naming event
    - Updating the college’s lobby

## VI. Old Business

### A. Read Edits-Support for COVID-19 Vaccine and Mask Mandates Act

- Adjustments made:
  - Name change: “Support for Addressing Covid-19 Responsibility Act
  - Co-sponsor is now only Senator Valdez
  - USG can allow students to mandate vaccines
  - KSU Faculty Senate has passed a resolution calling for mask and vaccine mandates
  - Removed section stating that KSU SGA should endorse a mandate that all students and staff submit proof of vaccination
  - Removed section stating that students/staff should submit proof of a negative Covid test on a weekly basis if they choose not to submit a proof of vaccination
  - Added section that states that KSU SGA calls on USG to give colleges the power to enforce vaccine and/or mask mandates

- Added section that states that KSU SGA calls for previously implemented social distancing and mask mandate practices
- Senator Ulloa wants to add another “be it resolved” that this be implemented on the Marietta campus
- Senator Valdez says that more of his constituents are pro mask mandates

## VII. New Business

### A. Swear-ins

- Senate seats
  - Bagwell College of Education: Hannah Hyder
  - Fraternity and Sorority Life: John Stephens
  - Fraternity and Sorority Life: Terance Foxx
  - Racial and Ethnic Minorities: Joshwell Thompson
  - Student Workers: Avery Holcombe
  - WellStar: Tobechi Irokanulo
- E-Board position
  - Attorney General: Cj Waits
- Senator Valdez motions to extend the meeting for 15 minutes and Senator Yaledah-Bashaar seconds
- Senator Williams moves to vote on candidate one-by-one via email
- Senator Yaledah-Bashar moves to table the swear-ins until the next General Body meeting; seconded by Senator Gordan; passed

### B. First Read- Ad Hoc Committee Bylaw Changes

## VIII. Announcements (2 min/officer | 5 min/audience member)

## IX. Adjournment

- A. Senator Rhodes motioned to adjourn meeting; seconded by Senator Mathew