

**SGA Senate
Minutes
29 August 2024**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER**
 - The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.
- II. **ROLL CALL**
- III. **MOMENT OF SILENCE**
- IV. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- V. **PASSING OF AGENDA**
- VI. **PASSING OF MINUTES**
- VII. **SPECIAL BUSINESS**
 - Professional pictures and headshots were taken at the Amphitheater.
- VIII. **STUDENT FORUM**
- IX. **OFFICER REPORTS**

President Mardis

 - She would like to say a big thank you to Matthew and Elijah for helping with the Cramton Bowl!
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• They are going to have a booth this Wednesday for Suicide Prevention Awareness in the
SUC.

SHARED GOVERNANCE

• Senator Thomas is having to step down from the food service committee and needs a
proxy because she cannot attend their meeting times (preferably someone who is not on
the committee).

• Senator Gilliland says the Academic Affairs committee will be voting on a chair.

• Freshman Forum Advisor Ballenger says the International Program committee is meeting
sometime in September.

• Senator McDonald says the Parking committee will have their first meeting on September
1st.

• Pro-Tempore Fitz says that if someone can proxy for her, that would be great!

• Secretary Kusz says that Athletic committee is figuring out a time for their meetings .

• Senator Vezina says that their committee is trying to be come certified to build an
enclosure in order to get new lions .

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- President Mardis says the purpose of this is to be visible to your college because you were all elected by that college.
- Senator Thomas says she would be interested doing CASE
- Senator Jada Winston says she would like to head COEHS
- Senator Vezina says she would like to head is doing ACONHP.
- Chief of Staff Britton tells everyone to reach out to the leaders to make sure that they know that you are in their specific college they are making the group chat for.

XV. OPEN DISCUSSION

- Homecoming Parade and Events
 - Pro-Tempore Fitz is heading up homecoming. President Mardis and Vice-President McGinnis will be on study abroad and will not be present for the week's events.
 - First event is banner drop on Monday !
 - We would like a good turnout for the scavenger hunt because this will be super fun !
 - Communications Director Sommer asks if we can sign up later since this is so far in advance.
 - f* Pro-Tempore Fitz says we have to give UPCa heads up in advance if we are participating or not – some events have a required number of participants .
 - Do not sign up if you are participating with another RSO !
 - These will count for volunteer points .
 - Parade details – arrive by 9:45, because we will be lined up on Pine Street at 10:45 .
 - f* We will be doing a banner, but not a float.
- Mascot Uniforms
 - Senator McDonald says that the mascot uniforms look rough. She suggests that everyone fundraises and partners with Freshman Forum.
 - Chairwoman Hamilton says new costumes exist and are on the way.

XVI. ADVISOR'S REPORT

- Matthew says that SGA was mentioned a few times in the Flor-Ala, and encourages everyone to regularly follow what they post.
- SGA was also in the local news!
- Paint the Paws Initiative will start next week.
- Let him know if there needs to be any updates to the website.
- Matthew and Senator Cantrell presented to over 100 RSOs about allocations.
- Founder's Day will be on January 10th.
- Light the Fountain will be on March 13th. He is asking for suggestions for influencers to flip the switch that is both student and admin friendly.

XVII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The SGA Rules Test will be on September 12th!

XVIII. SGA MEMBER OF THE WEEK

- We have two winners this week – Senator Cantrell and Vice-President McGinnis!

XIX. PEP

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- Pep to Matthew for the Budget RSO Meeting!
- Pep to Jada for the Big Deal!
- Pep to everyone's outfits today!

XX. ADJOURNMENT