

TEXAS JUNIOR COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

General Assembly IV

Minutes

April 12, 2003

1:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order
President Tommy Calzadias, South Texas Community College called the meeting to order at 1.39 p.m.
- II. Roll Call
Secretary Renee Bushong, South Plains College. Quorum was met.
- III. Orders of the Day
Parliamentarian Jason Williams, Amarillo College made the following changes to the agenda: Item VIII Subsection B letter b needs to be changed to Linda Guyton; letter c needs to be added as Lindsey Holder; letter d needs to be added as Chris Neighbors. Jason then read the Orders of the Day as corrected.
- IV. Pledge
 - A. Pledge of Allegiance
 - B. Texas Pledge
 - C. Moment of Silence
- V. Reading and Approval of the Minutes
Jeremy Lopes, South Plains College made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve them as corrected. Stephen Leckbee, Odessa College, seconded the motion. The motion carries.
- VI. Officer Reports
 - A. State Advisor- Vida Davoudi, Kingwood College
Vida stated, "Good Afternoon. I respectfully report to you that you are awesome. We have a lot to do today. Lets keep the noise down. Stay focused and take care of business."
 - B. State Advisor Elect- Eloy Alvarez, Texas Southmost College
Eloy announced that this is the last fun meeting that we will have this year. He asked that everyone remember we have an early day tomorrow.
 - C. Host-Johnny Rhea, Frank Phillips College
Johnny announced that late check out is not possible. Check out is at 12:00 p.m. Johnny announced to use the east side parking lot tomorrow morning and use the east side doors.
 - D. Bulletin-Joy Shaw, Howard College-Big Spring
Joy recognized Big Spring for helping her out when she needed help.
 - E. Parliamentarian-Jason Williams, Amarillo College
Jason announced if a school will not be here tomorrow to give their proxy vote to another school. Jason announced that if anyone had any questions that they could meet with him after the meeting.
 - F. Treasurer-Vickie Hubert, Kingwood College
Vickie announced that updated budgets will be at tomorrows meeting.
Vickie announced that one member from each school go to the registration

table and pick up the receipts. They have received 25 items for the silent auction and thanks to those schools who have brought them.

G. Secretary-Renee Bushong, South Plains College

Thanks to her college for helping with her minutes. Also thanks to Vernon College for helping out.

H. Vice President-Leo Morales, Tyler Junior College

Those participating in the scavenger hunt meet tonight at 9:45. Navarro College cheerleaders recently won the NCA National Championships in Daytona Florida. Congratulations to them.

I. President-Tommy Calzadias, South Texas Community College.

Tonight is our last night. We have tons of decisions that need to be made. Wants us to leave out of here knowing that we got something done, and not leave question marks. Asked for our cooperation.

VII. Unfinished Business

VIII. New Business

A. Non-Denominational Prayer

Chris Sheppard, Tyler Junior College made a motion that we integrate Non-Denominational Prayer in to the assembly tomorrow. Rocky Garza, Navarro College seconded the motion. Chris Sheppard, Tyler Junior College noted that they were making this motion because they feel it is necessary to thank God for everything. Teresa Schrock, Amarillo College, is against prayer because, “our country is based on supporting the majority and especially the minority. I feel we shouldn’t impose religion over anyone. I support prayer but not at the expense of others. We will have a moment of silence that allows a person to pray, or that they feel they should with allocated time. It opposes our rights.” Travis Kidd, South Plains College, “People that do want to participate can. If not they do not have to be in the room.” Nancy Tran, WCJC, Sugarland, stated that people should not have to leave the room because others are praying. Rocky Garza, Navarro College, Raised a point of inquiry restating the original motion for clarity. The motion carries for Non-Denominational prayer.

B. Honorary Membership

John Green, Frank Phillips College recognized the following as Honorary Members of TJCSGA.

- a. Hellen Suci
- b. Linda Guyton
- c. Lindsey Holder
- d. Chris Neighbors

Tommy took the Honorary Memberships to a vote. The Honorary Members were approved.

C. Committee Reports

a. Resolutions Committee

Beth Wilhite, Amarillo College brought the whole committee to the microphone for the report. She informed the assembly that there were two resolutions brought to the committee. Beth turned the floor over to Hailey Burns, Cisco Jr. College. She talked about

some schools felt that competitions were unfair due to lack of resources. She said the committee had a long debate on this topic. She stated that she understands the plot of the resolution because she is from a small school, but it is the content that counts not the technology. She stated that larger schools have a larger “talent pool” to select from, but competitions would be devalued if there were several uncontested races. She stated the committee went over the enrollment number of each school and found that there was no way to fairly divide the schools. Also if the schools were divided it then would double the cost of awards, meaning that it would cost the association more money. She appreciated the effort, but felt that it was not in the best interest of TJCSGA to adopt the position at this time. Beth Wilhite then read the resolution. Richard-Michael Manuel, Richland College, asked what information was expected to be posted by schools. Beth replied that schools would be expected to promote TJCSGA on local campuses. Beth asked that the resolution be voted on. The vote was for the resolution. Resolution passes.

b. Constitution and Bylaws Committee

Jesse DeAeth-Hewett, let us know that committee has no amendments at this time. The committee will be having a meeting at 3:00 p.m. today.

c. Awards Committee

Denecia Timms announced the committees decisions on the song and multi-media, they were the following.

Song 1st place-Mountain View College

2nd Place-Tyler Junior College

Multi-Media 1st Place Mountain View College

2nd Place Amarillo College

IX. Announcements

A. Kilgore College, Kia Wilson

Kia announced that Kilgore College started a “Just Write” campaign. It is about writing letters to your Representative about the budget cuts. She encourages everyone to participate. Kia stated that they would be coming to Austin on April 24, 2003.

B. El Paso Community College, Donations

Sergio Barrientos, El Paso Community College thanked everyone for their support for the Memorial fund. Sergio also noted that they are still taking contributions.

C. Vida suggested that people go and visit LBJ Library during their free time.

D. Vickie Hubert announced that the auction table will be open until 7:00 p.m.

E. Jason Williams, Amarillo College announced that Student of the Year

Nominees need to meet with the awards committee immediately after this meeting to arrange an interview time. Jason announced that we will meet at 8:00 a.m. at the House Chamber instead of at 8:30 p.m. Jason

recognized the people who donated the items to the shoebox that will go to our troops.

F. C.J. Amarillo College is going to meet at the pool immediately after this assembly. He announced to wear your bathing suits!

G. Kingwood College presented Vida and Vickie with flowers and thanked them for their hard work.

H. Amelia Vidal, Tarrant County College South would like to have Region II take a picture after this assembly.

I. C. J. Morgan, Amarillo College, clarified that we would go to region meeting then campaign.

X. Adjournment

Suzanne Coulter, South Plains College, made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rocky Garza, Navarro College seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 2:57 p.m.