



Date: March 26, 2004 Type: General Assembly

Time: 6:30 p.m. Site: J Hotel Ballroom,

Houston, Texas

The second general assembly meeting of the Texas Junior College Student Government Association was held on Friday, 26 March, at 6:30 p.m.

President, Josh Nino (Odessa), calls the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

Parliamentarian, Gabriel de los Santos makes changes to the Orders of the Day. The orders of the day is then read by Parliamentarian, Gabriel de los Santos (El Paso).

President, Josh Nino leads the pledge of Allegiance and the Texas pledge.

Secretary, Justin Perez makes corrections to the minutes. Michael Trook (Amarillo) moves to approve the minutes as written and corrected. Scott Stephenson (SPCC) seconds the motion. The motion is taken to a vote and the motion is carried.

Officer Reports

- I. State Advisor, April Sessler (Amarillo), recognizes the importance of support of the administrators. She proceeds to recognize the deans, college presidents, and alumni students present. She thanks the administrators for their support of their students.
- II. State Advisor-Elect, Brandon Franke (Blinn-Bryan) thanks the delegates in the committees established for their hard work. He mentions that a committee is not present for the general assembly due to the fact that they are working on the awards.
- III. Host, Rishi Ramsoodar (HCC-Central), thanks delegates for their continued support and patience. He also expresses his thanks to the host team for their work done. He informs delegates about the options available to them for eating arrangements Saturday afternoon. Delegates have the option of attending a buffet at the hotel for a price of \$ 12.95, excluding tax and tips. And of course, there are also many restaurants available here in town. If interested in eating out, and to avoid a long wait, he suggests for delegates to call ahead of time.
- IV. Bulletin, Sonja Hunter (Frank Phillip's), has no report.

- V. Parliamentarian, Gabriel De los Santos (El Paso) with the implementation of the dress code. He would like for them to also show up for the general assembly the next morning early, at 7:30 to help with the process of campaigning.
- VI. Treasurer, Mart Johnson (Amarillo) reports that the beginning balance is \$11,308.74. With dues and registration the total income is \$63,636.96. From the executive board meetings before the conference as well as the expenses, the total balance remains at \$ 68, 925.37. He thanks his members from the Amarillo College for helping him out.
- VII. Secretary, Justin Perez (Victoria), has no report.
- VIII. Vice-President, Casey Crawford (Western Texas), reminds delegates that she would like to have the delegates participating in the Talent Show to meet up. She also reminds delegates about attending Traveling Max tonight.
- IX. President, Josh Nino (Odessa), thanks delegates for their great co-operation. He exclaims that this has been the greatest convention he has ever attended. He appreciates the co-operation of the general board and would like delegates to talk to their corresponding SGA local presidents for more information on the amendments.

Committee Reports

I. Nominations Committee

- a. Mart Johnson (Amarillo), is chair of the nominations committee. He provides a list of schools running for state offices. They are:
 - 1. El Paso- President
 - 2. South Plains- Vice President
 - 3. Kingwood College- President
 - 4. Amarillo College- Secretary
 - 5. Blinn-Brenham- Bulletin
 - 6. Blinn-Bryan- Parliamentarian
 - 7. Tyler College- Treasurer
 - 8. Frank Philip's College-Host
 - 9. Western Texas College-Treasurer

Shari Williams (HCC-Central) motions to nominate HCC-Southwest for Bulletin School.

Damon Alejandro (HCC-Southeast) seconds the motion.

Caleb Bissett (Blinn-Bryan), brings up the question on allowing the nomination to be accepted as the deadline for the nominations have already ended.

Cheryl George (HCC-Central) accepts the nomination and states that they understand the procedures.

The motion is taken to a vote and the motion is carried. However, Parliamentarian, Gabriel de los Santos (El Paso) points out that the vote is not necessary as these are nominations.

Amber Danner (Tyler) motions to nominate Navarro College for Vice President of the TJCSGA board.

Alicia Gonzalez (Northeast Texas) seconds the motion.

The nomination is accepted.

Patrick Phillips (WCJC-Main), brings up the question on whether the recently nominated schools would be allowed to campaign, as they do not possess a campaigning table.

Matt Johnson (Amarillo College), informs delegates that there will be no campaigning allowed in the campaigning room for the recently nominated schools. However, they will be allowed to leave campaigning materials on the tables. He reminds the recently nominated schools that it is very important for them to not campaign in the campaign room as doing this will result in a possible disqualification.

II. Resolutions Committee

- a. Adam Windewehen (Victoria), is chair of the resolutions committee. He announces that a discussion has been carried out this afternoon and that they will also be meeting after dinner for further discussion.

III. Constitutional By-Laws Committee

- a. Tabitha Jacques (Amarillo), announces that the Constitution By-Laws Committee will meet at the Travis Room after the general board meeting to further finalize the constitutional by-laws.

IV. Judicial Committee

- a. Gabriel De Los Santos announces that committee consists of region parliamentarians. They will not meet today.

V. Awards Committee

- a. Bryan Western (Hill College), announces that the awards committee has been meeting all day and that they are following all guidelines as currently written.

Old Business

- I. Josh Nino informs delegates that there is no old business to attend to.

New Business

I. Honorary Member

- a. Parliamentarian, Gabriel de los Santos, informs delegates about the nomination of a very special individual to the Student Government Association. He gives a brief summary of her accomplishments and dedicated works within the Student Government Association. He entertains a motion to nominate Yolanda Ahner as an honorary member to TJCSGA.

Ricardo Ponce (El Paso), motions to accept Yolanda Ahner as honorary member.

Jennifer Johnson (Odessa), seconds the motion. The motion is taken to a vote and the motion is carried.

II. Jeff Humphrey (McLennan-CC) motions to over rule the regulations instituted by the Nominations Committee in regards to the rights of the running schools.

Jason Beaton (Tyler), seconds the motion

Parliamentarian, Gabriel de los Santos (El Paso), informs delegation that the motion is out of order due to the wording of his motion. He suggests that he say: I move to reconsider the motion of this discussion.

Jeff Humphrey (McLennan-CC) restates his motion. However, President, Josh Nino (Odessa), interjects to mention that Jason Beaton must resend his previous motion.

The motion is rescinded.

Jason Beaton (Tyler) seconds the motion.

Jeff Humphrey (McLennan-CC) restates his motion. However, due to the unspecified logistics of his motion, Parliamentarian Gabriel de los Santos (El Paso) reminds him of the proper motion that is to be proclaimed.

Jeff Humphrey (McLennan-CC), motions to reconsider the privileges of the recently nominated schools regarding the use of the campaign room and the use of the table for campaigning.

Charlie Garza (Advisor-El Paso) questions if Jeff Humphrey is attempting to reconsider the entire nomination process or exclusively the nomination of the recently nominated schools. Jeff Humphrey clarifies that he was meaning to have all of the nominated colleges reconsidered.

Jeff Humphrey (McLennan-CC), motions to reconsider the privileges of the nominations.

Jason Beaton (Tyler), seconds the motion.

The floor is open for debate for three minutes. (8:44-8:47 p.m.)

Caleb Bissett (Blinn-Bryan), argues that this is a minimal reprimand of the shortfall of a student leader to not have the same privileges of the accepted nominated schools.

President, Josh Nino (Odessa) asserts he must maintain order and adds that it is only his intention that he runs an effective meeting and not to be condescending. As a result, Parliamentarian Gabriel de los Santos (El Paso) suggests that the delegation vote by roll call.

Michael Trook (ACC) It is affirmed that the delegation will be voting by roll call. Roll call vote is administered but incomplete.

Amber Danner (Tyler) makes a privilege motion to recount the votes that have been made.

Caleb Bissett moves to adjourn.