

**The University of Texas at Dallas**  
**Student Government Minutes**  
**September 11, 2007**

Minutes

Call to order

Roll Call

Present: Ben Dower, Ana Tavares, Aaron Arnold, Dina Shahrokhi, Grace Bielawski, Snir Cohen, Adam Coles, Kyley Cope, Cody Eilrich, Yana Gelman, Karne Huang, Karen Hinkley, Paul Ingram, Maria Islam, Felicity Lenes, Arie Litovsky, Megan Malone, Tiffany Ornelas, Juliann Peterson, Jeff Poole, Steven Rosson, Katie Sawyer, Rachel Stratton, Sarah Trowsdale, Benedict Voit, Bradley Wallace, Kerri West, Yen Yoon

Excused: Farzan Ghodsianzadeh, Ofek Levy, Katie Sawyer, Adit Wongsaroj

Unexcused: Lauren Becera-Gongona, Abhi Singh

Approval of Minutes

Announcements

•

Visitors:

- Muslim Students Association
- Dr. Murray Leaf, Speaker of Faculty Senate
- Billy Schullion, President of ZBT
  - establish a committee to curb DWI issue on campus
  - carpool system to curb accidents and deaths due to drinking and driving
  - based on systems in larger campuses around the country
- Devin Lewis
  - create Academic Liason Program
  - a council from each school connecting students with academic administrators encouraging students to provide more feedback
  - facilitate communication between students and each school
- Felicity Lenes
  - update on the fight song
  - Senate heard the tune but the sound was inferior because it was a web link

Officer Reports:

Graduate and International Student Affairs: Megan Malone [mlm022000@utdallas.edu](mailto:mlm022000@utdallas.edu)

- Motion to move report ahead of others passed
- Graduate Student Mixer: September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2007 5:30 p.m.
- Graduate Student Organization
  - to establish one in all the schools
  - Speed Culture Dating: Feb 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008

**The University of Texas at Dallas**  
**Student Government Minutes**  
**September 11, 2007**

- International Game Night TBA

President: Ben Dower **bld051000@utdallas.edu**

- Constitution Day
  - September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2007
  - Games held in the afternoon
    - Game winners will get a gift certificate from the PUB
  - All-day voter registration in Registrar's Office
  - Panel discussion
- Freshman Appointments
  - already discussed
- Committee Assignments
  - committees assigned in EC session
- SOF Representative
  - already discussed
- Standing Rules Change
  - already discussed
- Resolutions
  - already discussed

Vice President: Ana Tavares **ajt051000@utdallas.edu**

- Breast Cancer Awareness Day
  - A Walk
    - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2007
- Student Government Retreat
  - Itinerary passed out
- Student Business Alliance
- UTSSAC
  - representatives met at Austin from all 15 schools
  - using EC to research issues applicable to entire system

Academic Affairs Committee: Kerri West **kerri.west@student.utdallas.edu**

- Petition Process for Closed Classes
  - Freshmen often denied classes before they have a chance to see choices
- Advising Evaluation Process
  - Meeting with Dr. Cynthia Jenkins
  - Work together to create complaint/compliment form
- TA/SI Assignments
  - Inequality among different sections of the same class
  - Shortage of interested students
  - Mandatory workshop for all TAs or SIs

Communications Committee: Karen Hinkley **karen.marie.hinkley@gmail.com**

- T-shirts
  - Will be available by next meeting
- Calendars/Sound Off

**The University of Texas at Dallas**  
**Student Government Minutes**  
**September 11, 2007**

- September calendar and dates online
- Poster

Legislative Affairs: Snir Cohen **snir.cohen@student.utdallas.edu**

- DART
  - Passes available at Info Depot after ordered online
  - Starting Spring 2008, students will be charging a minimal \$18 fee
  - Phase II of the process – shuttle program
    - planning routes and times (with class times)
    - different routes on weekends
- New Parking Lot
  - Green and Gold parking spots
- Meeting with Amanda Rockow
  - working to get legislators to campus
  - request items for next session
  - last session – first time in 8-10 years to get item/funding passed
  - initiative for students to meet with mayor and Texas Senate representatives
- Student Liaison with City of Richardson
  - establish regular contact with City council and officials

Residential Student Affairs Committee: Jeff Poole **nebor34@yahoo.com**

- Waterview Electrical Costs
  - Address both cost and conservation
- CHAC Chairman
  - Jeff Poole
  - Juliann Peterson

Student Affairs Committee: Steven Rosson **ser052000@utdallas.edu**

- Unsolicited advertising on school-wide email lists
  - worked remove administrative assistants
    - fell to deaf ears
- reopening SOM study rooms

Technology Committee: Arie Litovsky **arie.litovsky@gmail.com**

- First meeting – Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 in the EC Room
- Website update – recovered, will work on class forms, board

Report of the Treasurer: Adit Wongsaroj **adit@student.utdallas.edu**

- Patty – projects \$21,000
- Homecoming increased to \$25, 000

Old Business:

-

**The University of Texas at Dallas**  
**Student Government Minutes**  
**September 11, 2007**

New Business:

- Motion to approve \$500 to Muslim Students Association
  - Motion passed
- Motion to pass Designated Driver program
  - Motion passed
- Approve up to \$400 for Graduate Student Mixer
  - Motion passed
- Motion to approve Course Marketplace Resolution
  - Motion passed
- Motion to approve Resolution for the Academic Liaison Program
  - Resolution should be amended
  - Motion to table the item
    - Item Tabled
- Motion to increase the donation to the MSA by \$500
  - Specific organization and traditions established
  - Motion failed

Advisor's report: Patty Atchley

- Please fill out forms for Retreat

Motion to adjourn

Time: 6:42