



SGA Meeting Minutes – November 18, 2025

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by President Sahil Tonk.

Guest Speaker

- **Speaker:** Dr. Jody Randall, Vice President and Chief Experience Officer
 - **Topic:** University Strategy.

Officer Updates

- **President – Sahil Tonk**
 - **Applications Open:** Student Regent and Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) applications for the 2026-2027 school year are open on HSCNet.
 - **Legislation Deadline:** Any legislation to be voted on before the semester ends must be submitted by **November 25th at 5:30 PM** for executive review.
 - **Schedule:** The next meeting is December 2nd. SGA will reconvene on January 20th after the break.
- **Vice President of Operations – James McGowan**
 - Thanked senators for using the absence and point submission forms.
 - **Requirements:** Reminded senators they need 30 points, participation in one congratulatory legislation, and one project/action legislation before April.
 - Senators struggling with points or requirements should contact the Operations Committee for solutions.
- **Vice President of Communications – Bennett Schackmuth**
 - Reminded everyone to follow SGA Instagram and Facebook accounts for updates and to share them with their classes.
- **Vice President of Finance – Alexander Hayek**
 - Shirt colors have been chosen.
 - Scholarship committee is preparing for "Give Back Night".
 - Reminded members to submit Special Projects Fund (SPF) requests.

Committee Updates

- **Community Service – Chair: Kayla Martinez**
 - No major updates; November community service opportunities will be sent in the Senate chat shortly.
- **Operations Chair: Amber Jones**
 - The committee is available to assist with drafting legislation to meet the November 25th deadline.
 - Available for one-on-one practice or review of drafts.
- **Scholarship Chair: Suha Garasia**
 - **T-Shirts:** Will feature the TTUHSC logo in multiple colors, starting at \$18. Pre-orders may begin next week.
 - **Phonathon:** Applications are open until December 7th at 11:59 PM.
 - **Give Back Night:** Conducted polls during the meeting for Distance Senators (Krispy Kreme vs. Dave & Buster's) and Midland/Odessa Senators (various local restaurant options) to determine locations.
- **Finance Chair: Ryan McWilliams**
 - No new SPF requests since the last meeting.
 - Emails regarding the mentorship program were sent to new organizations; currently awaiting responses.
 - Budgetary meeting scheduled with Keri for December 16th.
- **Public Relations Chair: Sarah Neal Horne**
 - Encouraged members to fill out "Member Monday" forms. Reminded members that posts occur once a week on Mondays, so there may be a delay in seeing their submission.
 - An exciting giveaway will be running on social media soon.
 - Still accepting photos of favorite study spaces.
- **Social Chair: Annaliese Schultz**
 - Thanked everyone who assisted with "Senators and Subs" events.
 - Working with Dallas and Midland senators to reschedule postponed events for the next semester.

Legislation Overview

- No new legislation to vote on

Open Forum – Legislative Proposals

- None

Post Open Forum

- None

Announcements

- **Keri Shiplet:**
- **First @ TTUHSC:** The last workshop was held yesterday.
- **Financial Wellness:** A new savings challenge has been posted on the Student Life Instagram (@ttuhscstudentlife) for this week.
- **Student Regent & THECB Student Representative Applications:**
 - Applicants must be a student for the full term: **June 1, 2026 – May 31, 2027.**
 - Student Regent Application Link:
 - THECB Student Representative Application Link:
 - **Deadline:** Monday, December 1, 2025, at 11:45 PM.
- **TTUHSC SGA Endowed Phonathon Scholarship:**
 - Application Link:
 - **Deadline:** Sunday, December 7, 2025, at 11:59 PM (CST).

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Steven Daley seconded by Michelle Achieng. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM.