

SGA Meeting Minutes

Date: 11/02/2020

Call to order by Marcus Gonzales at 5:30 pm

Guest Speakers

1. Dr. Nicholas Bergfeld, Policy Advisor (Lubbock Compact):

- **Lubbock Compact** Disparity Report
 - Lubbock Compact focuses on the declining quality of care, security, and safety of "Old Lubbock" (inside of Loop 289)

"Old Lubbock, Lubbock inside of Loop 289, is trapped in decline despite having excellent connectivity and resilient infrastructure based on a simple, but elegant, grid system. The reason it is declining is not because of inherent economic flaws, but that Lubbock's policy orientation is currently shaped to cause its descent."

2. Josh Willms, Senator:

- Details on Section 9 – Treatment Access for Substance Use Disorder
- People in Lubbock tend to assume that if someone truly needs help, they can get it. BUT THAT'S NOT THE CASE.
- Most important data: Substance use statistics by zip code, by year, by police department
- Racial minorities affected the hardest.

3. Tochi Eboh, Senator

- notes the racial breakdown of patients in Lubbock, in TX, and the quality of care given to racially matching patient/physician interactions vs not-matched.
- Drive time to nearest healthcare facilities are difficult for adolescents (boys = 1 hr, girls = 7 hrs)

Officer Updates:

1. Time Brown, VP of Finance

- a. Senate Fundraiser will be at Capital Pizza
 - i. Tuesday, Nov 17th, at 6:00 PM
- b. Reminder to check senator points

2. Rachel Kortman, VP of Communications

- a. T-shirt design contest for Double T Scholarship
 - i. Submit your electronic or drawn designs to Neil by 11/26 (Neil.Jain@ttuhsc.edu)
 - ii. 1 submission = 1 awareness point
 - iii. Designer of the winning design gets a free t-shirt!
 1. We will vote during the 12/1 meeting
 2. Advertisement/orders will start in January-February
- b. Senator of the Semester, submit by 11/24, awarded on 12/1

- i. Plaque at end of year banquet in the Spring!
 - ii. Form: <https://ttuhsc.campuslabs.com/engage/submitter/form/start/451321>
- c. Polos are ordered
 - i. Senator headshots are pending until the polos arrive
 - ii. Newly added Senators: polos will be ordered late winter/early spring!
- d. Discuss upcoming events
 - i. Next meeting is 11/17
 - ii. SGA Fundraiser at Capital Pizza on 11/17
 - iii. Senator of the Semester nomination to be submitted by 11/24, awarded on 12/01

3. Daniel Payberah, VP of Operations

- a. New senators are introduced. Each senator gets a brief moment to introduce themselves, where they're from, and what school they represent.

4. Marcus Gonzalez, President

- a. Call for Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) Student Representative nominations
 - i. Top 5 will be forwarded to Dr. Erin Justyna for further consideration

Senate Resolutions:

Senate Resolution 20.24

- Congratulation – Stating the sentiments of the Student Senate congratulating Dr. Dawndra Sechrist OTR, Ph.D., as the new dean of the School of Health Professions.
- Motion – Claire Parker
- Second – Sheida Doraji
- Outcome – Motion passed with 100% support from student senate

Senate Resolution 20.25

- Congratulation – Stating the sentiments of the Student Senate congratulating Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Medicine's Division of Anatomical Sciences for their efforts to provide an in-person anatomy experience during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Motion – Sheldon Baty
- Second – Hijab Ahmed
- Outcome – Motion passed with 94% support from student senate

Committee Updates:

1. Community Service – Josh Wilms, Chair

- Discussed community service opportunities.
 - i. This Friday is the IPE Fall Symposium. Email sent to help volunteer.
 - ii. Yardwork outside nursing home

- iii. Holiday cards for nursing home residents and staff/administrators.
Nursing home is in lock-down.
 - 1. Physical drop box will be set up for cards
- iv. Holiday extravaganza food pantry, toys for tots (mixed drop-off for food and toys)

2. Finance – Emma Brackett, Chair

- Fundraiser on Nov 17th from 6-10pm, capital pizza
- Take proceeds from uber eats, delivery, ANYTHING.
- Get the word out, flyer will be attached - that will be an awareness point.

3. Operations – Marilyn Mathew, Chair

- Discussed Library Renovation meeting
- Any maintenance issues with campus - please report to Marilyn
- All rooms in the building are locked and tagged. Might need more work on how students can get access to them (difficult to find places to do zoom conversations in the middle of the day on campus)

4. Public Relations – Clair Parker, Chair

- Discussed social media graphic to promote TTUHSC SGA in the works.
Awareness credits in consideration.
- Claire's email and cellphone provided

5. Scholarship – Neil Jain, Chair

- We have received 5 designs for the T-shirts, request to keep sending them in.
- Meeting with Student Life faculty
 - i. Double-T Scholarship
 - 1. Meeting after this bi-monthly meeting in scholarship committee to discuss Double-T scholarship

6. Social – Bernardo Gonzalez, Chair

- Discuss combining holiday extravaganza and toys-for-tots events
- Social committee meeting throughout the week.
- Considering organizing virtual boardgames and Among Us video game events.
- Quick announcement by Keri Shiplet
 - Tomorrow is election day
 - Vote anywhere in the locations in Lubbock.
 - Tech campus, Library is where the elections are taking place, but the rec center also had early voting!
 - If you still need to vote, make sure to vote.
 - If somebody doesn't have a ride to go vote, resources:
 - RideShare2Vote
 - Advocate to de-stress. Unplug from social media, find resources to reduce anxiety, etc.

Motion to Adjourn:

- Motion: Miguel McQueen
- Second: Neil Jain
- Meeting Adjourned at 6:17 pm