BILL REPORT SUMMARY
OCTOBER 3RD, 2012

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WITH THE HELP OF FISH AIDES:

Amy Gray......................................Community Relations
Benjamin Dierker...............................Legislative Affairs
Cameron Blizzard...............................Academic Affairs
David Yu........................................Constituency Affairs
Joseph Benigno.................................Finance
Nicole Elmurr..................................Student Services
Patrick Mundlin...............................Rules and Regulations
Bills voted on this meeting:

S.B. 65-11  Student Support for an On Campus Farm Bill

- Want to preserve the howdy farm
- If they are going to place a dorm on the howdy farm property they want to incorporate the farm into the dorm
- Advocates for continued existence of an on campus farm

S.B. 65-12  Academic Calendar Task Force Bill

- Change made to bill: Assistant Dean of the College of Liberal Art’s name, it is Dr. Mike Stephenson, not Dr. Don Curtis
- Proposed change to academic calendar that all classes beginning after noon on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving be redefined to be made up the Wednesday before finals
- SGA requests a task force be formed, composed of both students and faculty in even numbers, to propose changes regarding the Wednesday before Thanksgiving

S.B. 65-13  The 2012-2013 SGA Appropriations Bill

- **Alternative Spring Break**
  - Requested: $610.51
  - Approved: $547.29 (89.6%)
  - Cuts made to Supplies & Materials, Food

- **Big Event**
  - Requested: $14,864
  - Approved: $11,042 (74.3%)
  - Cuts made to Printing & Copying, Other (under programming), MSC open house fee

- **CARPOOL**
  - Requested: $7,903
  - Approved: $6,551 (82.9%)
  - Cuts made to Supplies & Materials, Stationary Items

- **Development Commission**
  - Requested: $5,900
  - Approved: $3,050 (51.7%)
  - Cuts made to Postal Services, Printing & Copying, Banners/Flyers, Promotional Purchases, Facility Rentals/Deposit, Other (under programming)
• **Diversity Commission**
  - Requested: $5,025
  - Approved: $2,080 (41.4%)
  - Cuts made to Printing & Copying, Supplies & Materials, Advertising, Banners/Flyers, Promotional Purchases, Facility Rentals/Deposit, Food (programming), Other (under programming), SGA Banquet Tickets, Committee Awards, Other (under miscellaneous)

• **Environmental Issues Committee**
  - Requested: $2,960
  - Approved: $2,290 (77.4%)
  - Cuts made to Advertising, Banners/Flyers, Promotional Purchases, Equipment Rental, Food (business related)

• **Executive Council**
  - Requested: $462
  - Approved: $462 (100%)

• **Fish Aides**
  - Requested: $3,375
  - Approved: $1,250 (37%)
  - Cuts made to Printing & Copying, Travel Expenses (winter trip -$2,000), Other (miscellaneous)

• **Guide**
  - Requested: $1,561.92
  - Approved: $770.92 (49.4%)
  - Cuts made to Promotional Purchases, Food (business related), SGA Banquet Tickets

• **Muster**
  - Requested: $6,748
  - Approved: $6,038 (89.5%)
  - Cuts made to Printing & Copying, Supplies & Materials, Stationary Items, Advertising
  - They have an endowment but don’t want to use it so in the future they don’t even need to come to SGA for money

• **Replant**
  - Requested: $7,195
  - Approved: $5,306.79 (73.8%)
  - Cuts made to Supplies & Materials (trees), Banners/Flyers, Equipment Rental, Leadership Development
  - Additions made to MSC Open house fee from $45 → $90 to cover cost of next year’s

• **Senate**
  - Requested: $770
  - Approved: $720 (93.5%)
  - Cuts made to Committee Awards
• **Texas Aggies Making Changes**
  - Requested: $2,491.50
  - Approved: $1,045 (41.9%)
  - Cuts made to Supplies & Materials, Advertising, Promotional Purchases, Food (business related and programming), MSC Open House Fee, Leadership Development, Other (socials)

• **Traditions Council**
  - Requested: $4,457
  - Approved: $3,847 (86.3%)
  - Cuts made to Advertising, Banners/Flyers, Facility Rentals/Deposit, Travel Expenses, MSC Open House Fee

• **Total amount approved** = $56,434.43