

**Texas A&M University**  
**64th Session of the Student Senate**  
**Committee Reports**  
**November 2, 2011**

**Academic Affairs**

Academic Affairs Committee Report  
10/27/11 @ 8pm

The following Senators were in attendance:

Brody Smith (Chair)  
Crystal Usher Exec AA  
Kevin Markowski  
Jessica Castilleja  
DJ Melancon

In New Developments,

- Dr. Lisa Crupton Young will be having the first q-drop task force meeting on November 2, 2011 at 2pm
- Differential Tuition Meeting notes over the College of Education were sent via email to all committee members
- A new Senate meeting has been discussed by several Senate officers such as having a Senate meeting every week. This was discussed in AAC and opinions were given
- Announcements: any senator can come to the AAC meetings and give announcements regarding upcoming events or organization projects if they wish

Old Business:

- SB 64-10 The Student Success Bill was voted on to remain in committee
- SB 64-11 The Degree Plan Initiative Bill was voted on to remain in committee pending a meeting with Dr. Crupton Young
- SB 64-20 PASS Certificate Program Requirement for Students on Academic Probation Bill passed out of committee unanimously with the following amendments: In the enacted clauses, Student Senate was changed to Student Government Association by friendly amendment; Dr. Lisa Crupton Young, Associate Provost of Undergraduate Services was added to the last enacted clause and Dr. Watson and Dr. Loftin were removed from the same clause.
- SB 64-21 The FYGE Elimination and Q-Drop Policy Reform act remains in committee pending further amendment

New Business:

- SB 64-27 The Syllabi Availability Bill remains in committee
- SB 64-33 The International and Cultural Diversity Bill passed out of committee unanimously with no amendments.

Upcoming Meetings-

- Next AAC meeting will be November 9, 2011 at 9pm in Koldus SGA office.

Adjourned at 9:14pm

## **Appropriations**

No report.

## **Community Relations**

Short and sweet: the most important thing we'll deal with for the year: KILL PROP 1 SIGN UP FOR TIMES TO BE POLL GREETER

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0ArMBPLYrZLUjdFZ1ZG1pT2phdFpBNVEwdnlxUUDPYmc>

CR will meet at 7:15 on Tuesday in the SGA Couches.

Gig' Em!

## **Constituency Affairs**

No report.

## **Legislative Affairs**

Due to the special senate meeting, we conducted our committee meeting via e-mail in lieu of a formal meeting. We voted to keep the Financial Aid Bill in committee, as Senator Esparza, as well as AA exec and LR are looking further into the logistics and feasibility of the policy change that the bill proposes. The next Legislative Affairs committee meeting will be on Wednesday at 8 PM in Koldus.

## **Rules and Regulations**

The RR committee met this past Tuesday because of the special fee meeting. We have a lot of good discussion on both pieces of legislation; the Constitution bill and the Vacancy procedure bills. We did not pass any of these bills out of committee. We will be looking at both bills this up and coming meeting along with any legislation Speaker Wilson passes along to RR. Please come join us this next wednesday at 7:30pm in Koldus. We invite any student to join us this Wednesday and speak about our legislation. Thank you and Gig 'em.

Paul Boehm

## **Student Services**

Howdy Ags! The Student Services Committee is in full swing fighting for students and making their voice heard by administrators on campus. We have had an extremely high percentage of bills passed on the floor. This is evidence that we have been doing a precise job of preparing proper and effective legislation in committee and presenting them to the body as a whole. In order to get student opinion we have been visiting organizations on campus and talking to constituencies . Please take the time to take our online student fee survey on the following link<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/23DJLPP> . Our next committee meeting will be held next Wednesday at 7:00pm in Koldus. We will be joined by a representative from the MSC to update us on room rental rates in the new MSC. All are welcome, to come and sit in on our meetings.

Thanks and Gig em.

Thomas McNutt  
Student Services Chair  
Texas A&M Student Senate

Minutes: October 26, 2011 Meeting

Attendance:

Omar Ghannoum  
Grant Kingsbery  
Caroline Cyrier  
Sean Barry  
Jonathan Spencer  
Tyler Moquin  
Natalie Schuck  
Thomas McNutt  
Andrew Quesada  
Brody Smith  
Matt Struble  
Cody Vasut  
Mark Jessup  
Mary Anna Hill

Call to Order:

Mandry Bill Idea

64-22: Amendments proposed- voted to the floor

64-23: Tabled Indefinitely

64-35: No action taken

64-36: Amendments proposed- tabled

Adjournment