



The University of Texas at Austin
Dell Medical School

Student Senate Agenda

Location: HLB Conference Room 4.105
Date: Wednesday, October 2nd 2019
Time: 6:00pm - 7:30pm

Agenda Items:

- I. Observation of Attendance and Quorum
 - A. Attendance logged digitally [here](#).

- II. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting (09.04.19)
 - A. Minutes found digitally [here](#).
 - B. Motion to approve the minutes: Taylor
 - Seconded: Dekoia
 - Approved unanimously

- III. Task Force Objectives and Key Results Reporting
 - A. **Constitution & Bylaws**
 - See below
 - B. **Coffee Break:** Went well!
 - Well attended: MS1s, MS2s, MS3s, IM physicians, residents, and Design Institute folks
 - \$400 in profits
 - Ask for water bottles and more mugs
 - Ask: Volunteers October 15th next coffee break, moved from 9-10 AM to accommodate MS1 schedules better
 - C. **Communication:**
 - Met with Tamara to help make room reservations easier for students and Tamara, yaya!
 - Open room reservations to schedule events
 - Everyone will have to use outlook to be able to schedule through any room on campus

- Comms Task Force is going to work on a good roll out plan (possibly spend 5 minutes after LGI with MS1s to walk through setting this up and let them know the advantages to doing so although it will be entirely optional, but highly encouraged and supported)

D. **DellMedKnowIt**

- 9 responses from MS1s for C2P, 10 for MNS
 - a) Textbooks and other resources (youtube channels, anatomy apps, think outside the box)
- We need upperclassmen to fill out these forms to help out future classes, be on the look out for these surveys to come out soon via Will on the upperclassmen slack advice channel
- Let's keep encouraging people to utilize Dell Med Know It

E. **Elections**

- No updates so far
- To do: survey new UMEC members once they get oriented (if you have not yet been invited to join or oriented to your UMEC committee we apologize, Charlotte is following up with Darlene to get this set up - stay tuned!)

F. **Innovation/OKRs**

- Genesis does want to partner on funding, Noah is continuing to work on this
- They will help support student innovation at our school

G. **Senate of College Councils**

- Main OKR: continue to stay in good standing with main campus
- Lana went to the last GA meeting
- Possible events: collaborate with leadership of student orgs across campus to continue to foster a positive relationship with UT at large

H. **Student Affairs**

- No updates at this time

IV. **Culture of Wellness**

A. Funds for Restocking Society Lounges - Megan

- @Alex is taking care of the society lounges (thank you!)

B. DOCS events - Megan

- @ABP, 10-12 people were in attendance (more liked trivia vs. climbing)
- We've learned maybe a Monday during a 4-week block isn't ideal, sorry MS1s!
- Calendar for future DOCS events and what month each DOCS group is responsible for is coming, will be posted in lounges and on Slack
- October is DOCS Group 2!
 - a) November = Docs group 3
 - b) December = Docs group 4
 - c) January = Docs group 5
 - d) February = Docs group 6

- e) March = Docs group 7
- f) April = Docs group 8
- g) May = Docs group 9
- h) June = Docs group 10

C. Possible Task force creation: Culture?

- Sam proposed we create a task force that oversees things like Senate of College Councils, DOCS outings, Senate events/soirees, and organize and check in with the special events committee (Fungal Ball)
- Possibly also oversee and organize more society competitions
- Instead of creating a new task force, the Senate suggested perhaps we reorganize the task forces into the “buckets” that direct Senate’s efforts with an “overseer” who would be similar to a project manager. Culture for example would also include Coffee Break.
- No vote was conducted, Charlotte will propose a new structure next meeting for Senate to think on as a better way to move forward.

V. **Student Representation**

A. Constitution Update - Brooke

- We would like to amend the constitution as outlined in the Constitution below (proposed amendments to follow):
 - a) “Students may propose amendments to the constitution at any time. The number of students required on a petition must be at least 10% of the Student Body. The proposed amendment must be brought to the attention of the MSS via written or electronic communication and must include the text of the original article, the text of the proposed amendment, and the concrete reason the amendment is necessary. The MSS may ratify the amendment by a two-thirds vote of the entire MSS. If they do not ratify it, the MSS must refer the proposed amendment to a Student Body vote. Petitions received by the MSS must be voted on or referred to the Student Body within two months.”
 - Article 2
 - a) Membership
 - (1) Delete the timeline and specific membership rules for the sake of cleanliness
 - b) Numbers/Quorum
 - (1) Take out the society limitations
 - (2) Take out the class limitation?
 - (a) Change the class limitations
 - c) Elections
 - (1) Change the terms to 2 years?
 - d) Student Body Presidents
 - (1) Separate elections midway through the second year for co-presidents in training
 - (2) Wouldn’t count towards their society membership, essentially MS3s and MS4s would have 3 Delegates.

- (3) Another option: 1 year-2 years- 1 year terms
- (4) Making it simpler would it be 2 years term, with 2 Delegates/society

B. Parking

- Natalie: help reviewing/edit the survey
- The most available data would be from MS2s
- End goal: better communication for future classes!

VI. **Academic/Professional/Personal Development**

A. Dell Med Know It forms for the collection of feedback on the classes, resources, and experiences. Look out for those forms!

B. Texas Parents Student Organization Grants

- Can we advocate for this as an option for people to apply for money through us for their student org? - think about MS1 timeline too for new orgs that might want to pop up
- Would it be Senate's responsibility to train/educate on student orgs procedures?
- Option: apply on people's behalf and have them file through us
- Next meeting between co-presidents and Student Affairs: How student orgs are registered, Fungal Ball

C. Q: Do we have a budget we can work with in regard to student initiated events?

A: Not through Senate - this is all through Student Affairs.

VII. **Communication**

A. No recent student body feedback.

VIII. **Violets:**

- A. Ariannnnne for her first senate meeting!
- B. Alex for taking on responsibility for restocking the 3rd floor lounges

IX. **Action Items**

A. Review the MS1 parking before release (Natalie to have upperclassmen on Senate review before sending out)

B. Think on constitutional changes (Brooke to keep the task force working through the proposed changes)

C. Think on budget/task force structural changes:

- Charlotte's got ideas and will present this next meeting - Senate is very much looking forward to seeing this as we think this would help guide us.