

4/26/23 Meeting Notes

English advocacy address:

Overview of the adjunct professor role

3000 per class pay

There hasn't been a raise in a very long time (10 years)

Met with important administrators but have not received a raise

Lack of financial compensation requires adjunct professors to work second jobs

Believes that the university had the resources but refuses to give a raise

Everyone should have a living wage

Thanks the senators

Senator Hoxha endorses Saron's senator bid

Alex Parris endorses GCSW senator candidate

Reports:

Ben:

Summarizes upcoming events for the meeting

Tyler:

Shouts out Senator Nwankwo for putting on the uh fits show

Details the meetings that have taken place with administrators the past week.

Happy to be moving along with appointments

Describes work being done on the mental health task force

HE HAS BEEN WORKING

Sophia

Supports both resolutions on the docket

Acknowledges the senators that have worked hard on the resolutions

Thanks the non-senators that are present

Caitlyn

Alternate justice applications open

Tiffany

Justice department is emptying, some leaving, some graduating

Jadyn is deputy AG

Jared

Khator was receptive to their ideas, considers their meeting a success.

Discussed upcoming athletics developments

Noor

Has reached out the colleges withing UH to place donation boxes for food drive

Has been speaking to TPAC director to clear citations

Gabriel

Polo design competition is live

Jordan

Helping work on city council debate for next semester

Stresses importance of volunteer events

Emailed Khator to ask to have a senate meeting with her

Taz

60 responses for the student mentor program, asks for senators to advertise the program

Working on getting a meditation space on campus

Hispanic heritage month event in progress

Cody

Met with uh English advocacy and drafted a resolution

Anahi

Urges senators to fill out the form to join committees

Yellza

Agnes Arnold task force is finalizing their report to Renu Khator

Alex Parris

Met with English advocacy group

Senator Ortega wrote the bulk of the resolution

Clause 8

Jared's speech

Is a bit sick

Appreciates the opportunity to address everyone, respects everyone

Became involved due to a call from ben at 2am

Has worked hard, been up late at meetings

Very close to ben, understands him well

Enjoys the position

Hopes everyone allows him to continue serving in this position

Emphasizes the importance of shared goals and collaboration

Jadyn:

Has taken relevant coursework

Passionate about law due to spending time on the stand in a courtroom due to a crime committed against her

Details duties of the deputy attorney general

Wants to oversee a bylaw revision committee

Saron's speech

Shouts out upcoming candidates

Is a black radical, pushes for change

Wants to stand up against the state

Students pushed for change in the civil rights program

Stands for a lot of change

Is working on the DEI project

Advocates for disadvantaged students

Spoke out against racism in front of her high school board.

Public policy major – sophomore

Advocates for diversity

On debate team, REACH, and frameworks

With students of east Africa

Mihret's Speech

Junior public health major, biology minor

VP of students of east Africa

Honors leader in honors college

HER member

Prior experiences have caused her to have a strong voice

Not very political, but during a rally came to understand that many of the issues she's passionate about are politicized

Stands for diversity, inclusion, etc...

Excited to leave the university better than she found it

Wants to create a black caucus within student government

Wants to create partnerships with Houston city district for health policy internships

Bryanna's Speech

Sophomore – Public policy major

Part of NextGen, public service program, is an ambassador

Squad coordinator at emerge

Will join women in gold: a heavily involved organization

Will be a political theory research assistant

Wants to bridge the divide between students and

Will emphasize the students as senator

On student advisory committee, wants to use that committee position to have a discussion with students

Frances's Speech

Worked as a recreation therapist for 15 years, creating spaces of inclusivity through places of leisure

Constantly been in leadership positions

Named cohort communicator

Cofounder with Alex Parris of pay for placement

Led weekly meditation sessions

Hopes to better integrate the GCSW with the rest of campus

Hopes to advocate for mental healthcare as senator

Wants to curb title IX counselors pushing victims to go straight to the police

Joseph's Speech

Works in the arts as a stage manager

Very communicative

Collection between the university at large and the arts college is lacking, wants to improve foot traffic to the arts college

Art is therapeutic and can be an escape, and increasing involvement for all majors is beneficial

Wants to decentralize art into all the colleges and spread student art around campus

DEI and Tenure track is under attack, wants to use art to push progressive ideas

Favorite play – water by the spoonful

Advocacy bill skipped

Debate bill passed

DEI Bill skipped