USGA SENATE MEETING

Date: September 12, 2003

Meeting called to order at 6:04pm

Tiffany Goldsmith presiding and Latesha Story recording.

Members Absent: Heather Gullitch
Niya Rogers
Matt Ryan

Members Tardy: Monique Jones (6:18pm)
Lakesha Story (6:18pm)

The reading of the minutes were waived and accepted as typed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PROGRAMS: Blazer Fire and Pride Day will be held tomorrow September 13, 2003 from 3:30p.m-5:30p.m. Everyone who is participating in the event should meet at the HUC by 2:00p.m. Additionally, volunteers are need for the Fall Festival which will be held on September 25, 2003 from 6:00p.m-9:00p.m.

SERVICES: On September 11, 2003 the Service Committee held its 3rd annual candlelight memorial to commemorate September 11 in the Mini Park. The event was a success.
- The committee will be conducting Voter Registration at Greek Speak tonight in the Alumni Auditorium at 7:00p.m. Everyone’s help is needed.

FINANCE: The finance committee met last Friday, September 5th, 2003. The deadline for funding applications was today. Currently there are 15 applications, however, an estimated total of 25 applications are expected. The budget hearing will be held on Friday, September 19th, from 10:30a.m. until 5:00p.m.

INTERNESHIP: There were a total of 12 people who attended the Internship Interest Seminar this past week. The individuals who complete the internship process will go up for appointment on September 26, 2003. The next seminar will be held on September 29, 2003 at 6:00p.m. in HUC 440.

TRAVEL GRANT: NR

PUBLICITY: All publicity for Blazer Fire and Pride Day has been completed. Volunteers are needed to help publicize for the Fall Festival. If anyone is interested in helping on the Publicity committee please contact Rachel Bevis.

EXECUTIVE: Derrick’s main concern with the USGA is to focus on student issues. Recently he has finished compiling a list of student concerns, which will be presented to the Vice-President’s Council on Tuesday September 23, 2003. Next Thursday and Friday, Derrick will be out of the office due to attendance at the UA System Board of Trustees meeting.
- Derrick would like for each senator to submit an agenda before meeting with respective deans.

SCHOOL REPORTS:

ARTS & HUMANITIES: Last Friday the School of Arts & Humanities and the UAB community lost a professor, Dr. Jim Rachels. He was the dean for five years and a faculty member for twenty years.
- The School of Arts Humanities has published a calendar of events within the school for this semester.
-The school’s student forum will be held on Wednesday, September 24, 2003 at 7:00p.m. in HUC 411. This event will give students an opportunity to voice their concerns, opinions, and address issues. The dean and faculty members will be present to answer questions that may arise.

- The school will also be hosting a mixer which will be open to all students within the school during the week of homecoming. The event will take place in front of the art gallery Humanities Building.

- Construction work is still going accordingly as planned.

BUSINESS: NR

ENGINEERING: NR

SOCIAL & BEHAVIOR SCIENCES: NR

NATURAL SCIENCES & MATHMATICS: The Biology Picnic was held in the mini-park this past Wednesday, September 10, 2003 from 11:30am-2:30pm. The event was a great success. The representatives of NSM are in the process of planning a Town Hall meeting for the month of October.

EDUCATION: NR

GENERAL STUDIES: The representatives of the School of General Studies met with Nancy Walburn to schedule an appointment for the following week Tuesday, September 24, 2003 from 2:00p.m.-4:00p.m. During the meeting, Mrs. Walburn requested that the representatives brain storm on methods of reaching students.

- The tentative date for the Town Hall meeting is October 6, 2003.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

APPOINTMENTS: Rachel Bevis was appointed as publicity chair. Ricardo Roberts was appointed to the School of Social & Behavior Sciences.

EXCUSES: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Website Committee met September 11, 2003 to discuss the structure of the Website. The committee is in the stage of gathering information needed for the website. Each senator should submit the following by September 19, 2003:

- group and individual pictures
- Professional email address
- valid contact information
- Personal goals and school goals
- The next USGA website committee meeting will be held on Oct. 7, 2003 @ 5:30p.m.
- A USGA suggestion box has been placed at the UAB information desk.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35pm until September 26, 2003 at 6:00p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Latesha Story
USGA Secretary