USGA SENATE MEETING

Date: October 10, 2003

Meeting called to order at 6:00p.m.

Tiffany Goldsmith and Latesha Story recording.

Members Absent: Chaquila Singleton
                 Vanessa Hogans
                 Alena Downs
                 Stephanie McWhorter

Members Tardy: Yvette Harris (6:00 during role call)
               Tawanda Mooney(6:01)
               Niya Rogers(6:01)

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Programs: The next Programs Committee meeting will be held next Tuesday Oct. 14, 2003 at 7:00pm in HUC 440. The Spring semester events are as follows: 50cent Hotdog and Drink Night, Spring Fling, Skates 280, and the Inaugural Banquet.

Services: The month of October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and the Service Committee distributed informative literature and pink ribbons to spread awareness. The committee will also distribute information on October 13 and October 23, 2003 from 12-2pm.
-Additionally, the committee in conjunction with Student Life will host a Drunk Goggle exhibit on the concourse Wednesday, October 22 from 11am-2pm. This event is in support of National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week. The goggles will give students the experience of the effects of large quantities of alcohol on perception.
-The next committee meeting will be held Wednesday, October 15, 2003 at 8:15pm in HUC 440. The topic of discussion will be the Thanksgiving Dinner and the Angel Tree.

Finance: The Budget Bill was introduced to the Senate at the last meeting and will be voted upon tonight. The finance committee is in the process of meeting with funded organization to explain the funding process.

Internship: An Internship Seminar was held on last Monday for interested individuals. Five students attended, however, three dropped out. One intern, Christine Bryant, will be going up for appointment for the School of General Studies tonight.

Travel Grant: NR

Publicity: Publicity is in need of help for the Homecoming float. Details will be discussed at the Programs Committee on October 14, 2003.

Executive: Derrick is in the process of arranging a meeting with Mr. Richard Margison, Vice-President of Financial Affairs and Administration, about issues related to parking and transportation and also with issues related to safety and campus security.
Every senator should remember to submit an agenda to either Derrick or Tiffany before meeting with deans.

**SCHOOL REPORTS:**

**A&H:** The representatives for the Arts and Humanities met with the Executive Secretary on October 9, 2003. There was a discussion of the creation of a Student Advisory Council, the A&H student forum, and student concerns.
- Additionally, it was stated that the Humanities bulletin boards will be replaced.
- The A&H mixer will be held on October 29, 2003 at 6:00pm.

**BUS:** A marketing class is surveying students about schedule preferences in order to make a broader schedule for classes.
- The Student Advisory Board will contact interested students by mid-October. Additionally, help is needed for Homecoming decorations.
- The School of Business is raising the requirements for advancement to upper-level core classes. The required GPA now 2.0 will gradually rise to 2.5.
- The School of Business is establishing an Honors Program for business students which should be implemented by the next school year.

**ENG:** A meeting with the Dean has been scheduled for Friday, October 24, 2003 at 4:00pm. The representative will be finalizing preparation of the Town Hall meeting.

**SBS:** The representatives will be meeting with Dean McWilliams on Monday @ 3:30. The following are issues that will be discussed: comment boxes, compiled professional SBS list with alumni, student forum, and SBS major email list. The psychology department has a new website [www.psy.uab.edu](http://www.psy.uab.edu).

**NSM:** A meeting has been scheduled with the new dean, Lowell Wenger, for Tuesday October 21, 2003 at 3:30pm. The itinerary for the meeting is as follows:
- get acquainted with the new dean
- discuss school goals and concerns
- discuss student forum/open house

**EDU:** The representatives are waiting on a tentative date to meet with faculty members, and they are looking into developing a student concern board within the school.

**GS:** General Studies held its Student Forum on Monday, October 6, 2003. Issues that were address were the following: need for nursing advisors, scholarship information, and Majors fair for undecided students.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Bill FA-5-03 was voted upon by the senate and passed with a vote of 21-0-0. Amendment FA-11-03 was voted upon by the senate and passed with a vote of 20-1-0.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Rules were suspended and Amendment FA-12-03 was brought before the senate and passed with a vote of 21-0-0. This amendment was developed to allocate money towards the purchase of Homecoming supplies.

**APPOINTMENTS:** Christina Bryant was appointed to the School of General Studies.
A motion was made by Ashley Gardner to appoint Jonathan Noote to the Senate, however, the motion failed.

**EXCUSES:** None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Individuals have been improperly numbering amendments, bill, and resolution. The next numbers are the following: bills #6, amendment #FA13, and resolution #3.
SENATE PROGRAM: School of Business – “Election Commission Overview”

Meeting adjourned until October 24, 2003 at 6:00pm HUC 412-413.

Respectfully submitted,

Latesha Story
USGA Secretary