



Meeting Minutes:

Wednesday, October 22, 8:00 pm

Southern Shoppe

I. Agenda Review – Parliamentarian

II. Worship – Havin Yang

- a. Position in Leadership requires foundation in God

III. Committee Updates

Bear Committee – Past week we had one event with the mascot for student mission. This week we want to add more events to the schedule

Bylaws Committee – Met with Dr. Negron, we are working on a presentation soon this semester

Finance & Scholarship Committee – Meeting with Dr. Negron last Tuesday, integration with VP of Finance and discussed subcommittee responsibilities for the following semester.

International Student Committee – Working with International student coordinator for International Student vespers. We are planning a field trip as well as retaking the social media page.

Social Committee – Meeting with Alexis and Dr. Negron brainstorm different ways we can be involved besides events.

IV. Project Proposal – Nyah Jackson

Buying and Installing a New TV

SUMMARY : Senate would purchase a new TV for the School of Journalism and Communication to display news and announcements in the hallway.

PROBLEM :

The TV that is currently installed in this spot is no longer working.
This TV is important because it is used to display the news as well as important announcements to students while they are walking to and from class.

It is 15 years old :0

SOLUTION : Purchasing the Samsung QH55C 55" 4K UHD Commercial Monitor. This the standard for the University, already being ordered by Sewell

UPDATE!

The TV was already bought and installed. The price decreased significantly!

New Motion - "I move to approve giving \$525 for a new TV in the School of Journalism and Communications."

Discussion

1. Heidi: can you explain why senate should already pay for it

Nyah: Would we be willing to pay for the installation.

2. Andrew: So if we don't pay for it or would they take it down ?

Alexis: If we don't pay for the TV, they have less amount to place those funds to other computers or other things they may need replacing.

Houston: Call to Question

In favor: 20

Opposed: 2

Motion to Question has passed

Voting in session

All in favor : 22

Opposed : 2

MOTION HAS PASSED

V. Project Proposal – Heidi Burke (voting)

Bike Racks for Upper Stateside Proposal

SUMMARY : Senate will partner with University Finance to purchase 6 Belson Outdoors 9 Capacity Bike Racks with installation kits for the Upper Stateside Apartments.

PROBLEM : Upper Stateside, which includes the Tennessee, Mississippi, and Kentucky apartments, with 96 residents total, does not have any bike racks.

This creates several problems:

- Opportunity for theft

- Safety hazards inside and outside
- Damage to stairs, floor, and walls
- Inconvenience and hassle

SOLUTION :

1. Buy and install 6 bike racks
2. 3 apartments with 2 doors each = 6 racks

Price and Shipping Information

- There is a graduated pricing system
 - The cost for buying and shipping 2 units is \$1,424.23
 - \$1,026 for units
 - \$398.23 for shipping (this excludes tax)
 - The cost for buying and shipping 6 units is \$3,495.51
 - \$3,018.00 for units
 - \$477.51 for shipping (this excludes tax)

There is only a \$79.28 shipping cost increase for purchasing all the units at the same time
Buying all the units simultaneously saves SAU hundreds of dollars.

PROPOSAL FOR UNIVERSITY :

Senate will cover the cost of 2 units (\$503 each) and the total cost of shipping (\$477.51)

- Total of \$1483.51
- Southern will cover the cost of 4 units (\$503 each) and the cost of the installation kits (approx. \$55 each, 6 needed)
- Total of approx. \$2342

This proposal was approved by Vinnie Schober, Associate Vice President for Financial Administration

IMPLEMENTATION

- Mark Antone, Director of Landscaping, said that installation costs will be absorbed by the Landscaping Department.
- Tennessee apartment already has two concrete slabs ready for bike racks. This allows for immediately installation.
- Mississippi and Kentucky still need concrete slabs installed. However, having the bike racks ready and University investment will raise the priority of purchasing these slabs.

MOTION: *I move to approve Senate partnering with University Financial Administration to purchase 6 Belson Outdoors 9 Capacity Bike Racks with installation kits for the Upper Stateside Apartments.*

DISCUSSION 5 minutes

1. Nyah: Once we purchase these, they will be inclined to add the concrete slabs? Will that be guaranteed?

- Heidi: they can't install this in the winter, and this is due to the weather but they are able to address it and that it would be in the summer.
2. Havin: You are mentioning that we are buying 6 bikeracks, each hold 9. Is there a need for that many in that amount.
Heidi: The sir was introducing that idea for 6 being necessary . Because he is concerned with people placing them incorrectly, instead of how it is intended, a bicycle rack.
3. Kalla: Can you expand on where the concrete slabs will be placed?
Heidi: By the door in front of the square of concrete. This will also be an intentional spot where we will reduce the place where there may be injury
4. Houston: This is a good investment, why won't we install this in other housing
Heidi: My constituents are from stateside, so I prioritized that. But That might be another proposal.
5. Tata: The number isn't read that this expires in the end of the month, will those change
Heidi: This proposal was made for. The prices really don't fluctuate that much

Discussion time is over

Move to add five minutes to discussion time

In favor: 16

Opposed: 5

6. I also noticed that you didn't add the tax, is there a reason for that?

Heidi: This is a tax deductible organization

7. Have you considered making a survey of how many own a bike rack.

Heidi: I wouldn't be opposed to that, the reason I put sick is because that was suggested by Mark Antoni

Call to Question

In favor: 20

Opposed: 3

Jacob: I move to table this discussion for two weeks

In favor: 21

Opposed: 2

Alejandro: I motion for Evan Delgado to speak

In favor: 22

Opposed: 0

VI. Project Proposal – Evan Delgado

Taking Forrest's Branding to the Next Level

SUMMARY : As Forrest becomes a bigger part of our brand, this becomes a way to connect with our students in a timeless fashion.

SOCIAL MEDIA : By giving Forrest a personality and human features, he can interact with current and prospective students. Thus giving students a chance to engage with Southern brand. By tying their love of Forrest to the school

VISION: For people to see Forrest and immediately associate it with Southern

SOCIAL MEDIA :

- Create an Instagram account Work with Kroania to place
- Forrest chatbot on select pages of SAU's website Create a sub-department or section in MUR/Admissions dedicated for all things "Forrest"

DISCUSSION

1. Heidi: Who would be responsible for running this?
Evan: This would be under Marketing and they would arrange for the people to oversee this project. Maybe hire a student or two
2. Houston: Have you consulted with the bear committee?
Evan: I spoke with Joshua Lohr and he said it was good
Brendan: As a chair of the committee, I appreciate this. We you able to connect with Admissions?
Evan: Yes and they were on board.
3. Jacob: Would paying for an additional employee would it come out of our budget? Or would we be hoping that administration adds more to our budget.
Jeni: Point of Information what is going to happen, we are still in discussion of that. We are also talking with Marketing to . Using our budget for maintenance and see who the responsible to get the bear.
Taylor: Why don't we put it under for experience, than we don't worry for that. We do this for the Physics Club and there are people who are willing.
Evan: That's a great idea!

Table discussion for the next two weeks
in favor: 23
Opposed : 1

VII. Announcements

- We need 5 more volunteers for Offering for November 1st
- Proposals – please talk to your constituents and ask if there is anything you would like to propose
- Two things to work on for next senate meeting!
- Tiffany and Nyah please bring in constituents
- Fall Festival November 2 4-6pm
- SA Vespers October 30

- Please add the link to the FORM for proposing projects/concerns - Senate Website
- Senate Minutes – post a pdf, not the link Proposals we voted on