

SAC Business Meeting Minutes

August 2, 2010

Callaway Gardens

6:30 p.m.

Agenda Items

1. How to Use BOR & SAC Website: Tonya Lam went through some highlights of resources available through the Student Affairs, SAC, and Board of Regents website.
2. SAC Goals for 2010-2011: highlighted statements were selected as the final three that the group would focus on this year.

- Establish effective/improved communication flow throughout SAC

- Establish effective/improved communication flow throughout BOR

* Focus on issues: Funding, Hope Scholarship, and Graduation rate.

-Develop a Facebook page

- Would like to see SAC's presence at the Capitol. IE: Mascot Day at the capitol to voice concerns and receives important information of what's going on.

- As presidents, make it your responsibility to attend at least one B.O.R. meeting.

- Develop a better way of transitioning for SAC (re-structure). IE: develop a handbook to pass down.

- Review B.O.R. agenda items prior to or during the SAC retreat

- Work on preparation for the SAC retreats (reaching out more/ share information amongst the University System of Georgia to move forward)

- Opportunity to meet with the B.O.R. to meet to discuss/advise. IE: after a B.O.R. meetings.

- General knowledge of what SAC really is to all SGA's

- Improve SAC transitional meeting.

- Work collectively and maintain relationship in SAC

- Create a list of who has solution to most problems that exist in order to help other institutions out.

- Hold advisors accountable for sharing information with new officers about SAC.

- Develop webinars and teleconferences between meetings.

- Spell out SAC responsibilities in your SGA constitutions.

3. Work Group Identification

A. Regent Potts Leadership Award Criteria

B. SAC Community Service Project

C. Communication – 2 groups: one to look at SAC and one to look at BOR

D. Transition of officers

4. Decide on Conference Locations for the dates listed below:

Nov. 5-6 SAC Conf.

- Georgia College & State University Vote = 19 (win)
- Savannah State University/Armstrong Atlantic (Co-Host) Vote = 17

Feb. 4-5 SAC Conf.

- Georgia College & State University
- Clayton State University
- Atlanta Metropolitan College Majority Vote
 - o Ronreaco Lee Clayton State University is willing to help coordinate.

April 15-16 SAC Conf.

- Georgia College & State University
- Georgia Southern University
- Atlanta Metropolitan College

5. Campus Announcements

Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College:

- SGA received commendations from the Alumni Association for increasing student involvement in the Celebrate ABAC Alumni Weekend events and recognition from ABAC President Dr. David Bridges for SGA leadership on campus, particularly in getting more students involved in campus activities and for getting new faculty members engaged with students.
- Addition of Greek social organizations on campus. As of spring 2010, two fraternities have colonies on our campus, and we expect to add another fraternity and at least one sorority this year.

Atlanta Metropolitan College:

- Student Center Expansion Project (size of facility will double)
- New science academic building (groundbreaking scheduled for October 2010)
- Construction of a new parking lot
- 62% enrollment growth since 2006
- Implementing a mass notification system & “Green” campus
- Currently updating master plan

Dalton State:

- Naming of the Burran Bell Tower
- Roadrunner Mascot redesigned
- New seal for our student government

Fort Valley State University:

- Opening our new Student Amenities Center and Science Building this Fall. The student amenities center will be equipped with a Quizno's and Chick-fil-A thanks to Sodexo.
- Starting our new recycling program with the aid of Coca-Cola.

- SGA did a full revision of the constitution that gave more power to class presidents .

Georgia College & State University (highlights, full report to be attached to electronic minutes):

- SGA has provided input into several construction projects including: renovations to the student lounge, a new wellness center, bell tower outside the Athletic Center, West Campus acceleration/deceleration lanes, creation of a separate Greek Life Office space, and repainting of crosswalks outside the residence halls.
- SGA has provided input and proposals on several policy initiatives on campus to address the following areas: sponsorship , recycling on campus, truck traffic, Welcome signs, and smoking on campus.
- SGA is celebrating its 75th anniversary this year with an installation of officers scheduled for September 11th and a formal celebration in late January 2011.
- SGA is looking to sponsor a leadership conference this year open to student organizations from across the state.

Georgia Southern:

- Fall Leadership Conference: October 2, 2010 "Georgia Southern Presents: AMERICA'S BEST LEADERSHIP CREW.
- Tobacco Free Campus Initiative: Early in the Fall semester we will begin conducting surveys to see the interest in and the best methods that can be taken to move our university to a Tobacco Free Campus.
- Provost Search: We are currently in the early stages of a search for a new Provost.

Georgia Tech:

- Selected a New Provost for our institution
- Working to Develop a Strategic Vision for our SGA
- Developed a Student Organization called TechCares which assists student orgs in mobilizing to respond to a natural disasters similar to the Earthquake in Haiti.

Gubernatorial Debate

When: October 13, 2010

Where: TBD

Who: GA Tech, UGA, and GSU along with the AUC and Emory

What: Debate between the Republican and Democratic Nominees focusing on "bread and butter" issues that matter most to college students.

Kennesaw State University:

- The KSU football exploratory committee will announce its decision regarding football at KSU this fall. Student Government will then look into a possible fee increase.
- Student Government will sit on the search committee for KSU's new Provost.

Macon State University

- Sponsoring a contest to help change the school mascot,
- New housing available in August and extended hours for food service.
- Voting in the fall on a proposal for a new wellness facility.

Southern Polytechnic State University:

- SPSU Official Mascot uniform will be unveiled at our first soccer game.

- University Columns Open House- August 21st @ 3:00PM New suite style housing and cafeteria are opening for Fall 2010.

University of West Georgia:

- Outstanding Student Organization of the Year (First since 2003-2004)
- Received numerous applause and recognitions for our work in fighting the budget cuts.
- The Ingram Library at West Georgia is currently undergoing an \$8 million renovation, scheduled to be completed by Spring 2011.
- Construction on our brand new, two story book store will begin in August 2010, and is expected to be completed by the Summer of 2011
- Construction at our new, multi-million dollar athletic facility has been completed, including new parking lots that create hundreds of new spaces for students
- Six of our traditional dormitories either have already or will undergo renovations to make them more modern and state-of-the-art. This includes adding more living space, expansions of bathrooms, expansion of community living spaces, etc.

Waycross College:

- At the beginning of the summer semester the incoming SGA had their 1st ever leadership retreat. The retreat was held at Epworth by the Sea on St. Simons Island. The 2 day retreat was geared toward setting goals for the new academic year, along with getting to know one another through leadership activities such as a low ropes course.
- This summer Waycross SGA hosted an event called "Alex's Lemonade". They sold lemonade and slushies to raise money childhood cancer.
- Throughout the summer, the students have engaged in "Campus Turf Wars", which is sponsored by SGA & Student Life. This is game puts a twist on the childhood game "Tag Your It". It has been a neat way to get our students involved more with college life.
- This Fall, Waycross will have its first women's softball team.
- The thing happening this year that many of the students are excited about is our first homecoming week and dance.