



SGA Senate
Senate Minutes
30 October 2025

- I. CALL TO ORDER
 - Called to order at 3:30 PM.
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. MOMENT OF SILENCE
- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- V. PASSING OF AGENDA
 - The agenda was amended to strike classroom audit.
 - The agenda was passed with the amendment.
- VI. PASSING OF MINUTES
 - The minutes were passed as presented.
- VII. SPECIAL BUSINESS
- VIII. STUDENT FORUM
 - There will be t-shirt donation boxes around campus that will start November 3-10th. If you have any t-shirts, please donate.
- IX. OFFICER REPORTS
 - President Rhoades
 - She is emailing Sergeant Kirby about meeting about all the data that was taken from homecoming elections.
 - She will be sending out all information that she has collected to Mr. Matthew and Core Four and get a mid-semester recap together.
 - She will be doing a sign up for the classroom audit soon so they can collect data and get a resolution sent out.
 - She will be having a shared governance executive committee meeting and hopefully they will go over the IRB policy.
 - She is part of a work group for the academic honesty policy.
 - Vice-President Ballenger
 - She helped drive the van for the arx mortis event.
 - She had a student transportation committee meeting.

- She got to sit in on the Academic Affairs committee meeting.
- She is working on end of semester reports.
- She wants to get another international grocery trip together, hopefully before Thanksgiving.
- Treasurer Hanback
 - He has been working on normal treasurer duties.
 - He made some changes to the funding request form and working on the scheduling pick up time.
 - He says there are issues with people paying for sales tax.
 - Please send him the receipts right after you make the purchase.
 - He will be meeting with the bicentennial committee.
 - He will be going over the data for that that was on the homecoming ballot.
- Secretary Plunkett
 - She has been doing normal secretary duties.
 - She has cleaned the back closet, so please keep it clean.
- Freshman Forum Advisors Ebert and Buford
 - Social committee had their first event.
 - They passed three bills at their last meeting.
 - They had their one on one with President Rhoades.
 - They are working on creating a Teams channel for Freshman Forum.
- Pro-Tempore Winston
 - She had her one on one with President Rhoades.
 - Her November event is next week.
 - It will be in the chambers and in the atrium.
 - She will be getting the food that morning.
 - She will bring her own speaker.
 - She will be going over a survey later.
 - Mia and President Rhoades and her have talked about pride points.
- Chief of Staff Thomas
 - She says thanks for everyone who helped with the Arx Mortis event.
 - She received good feedback from the event.
 - She got the event evaluation form done.
 - She sent the invoice to Mr. Matthew for the event.
 - She still has not gotten a response back on the facilities email.
 - She is looking for areas of improvements and goals.

- Historian Holcomb
 - She had a one on one with President Rhoades.
 - She is making sure she is on track.
 - She is starting to transition into fall report ideas.
 - She went over the newsletter and summary cards.
 - Chairman Moore can send over graphics.
- DIA Byrd
 - She has been reaching out to different RSOs on campus.
- Communications Director Mwaura
 - She only has one media request.
 - She says to make sure you utilize campus groups.
 - She will be doing an October recap.
 - She had her one on one with President Rhoades.
 - She found an old calendar in Teams.
 - Going to reach out to student accounts and the University of Alabama's SGA.
 - She wants to take an informal vote for a potential food drive, and the informal vote said they want to do it.
 - She will be talking to dining services about gluten free options.
 - There are safety issues at Appleby.

X. CHAIR REPORTS

- Academic Affairs Chair
 - They will be publishing two videos of interviews from professors.
 - They are thinking about doing an event on study day at the library and it's called "Donut Stress."
- Budget Oversight Chairman McCuiston
 - They have been working on manual revisions.
 - They got two requests that required modifications.
- Elections and Recruitment Chairwoman Strait
 - They met briefly and they are working on preparations for the SGA interest meeting.
 - If you would like to talk about your position at the meeting, let her know.
 - She will be working on the end of semester report.
- Legislative Affairs Chairwoman McDonald
 - They are printing out letters to legislators.
 - There have been no responses from calls.
 - Next week is the Florence City Council meeting with new members.

- They have been working on Higher Education Day jobs.
- Student Welfare Chairwoman Strickland
 - No report.
- Philanthropy Chairman Moore
 - They are finishing up the little details for the Side Hustle Expo.
 - They are emailing the actual vendors the details of the event.
 - He printed out the posters for the Side Hustle Expo.
 - They have had food trucks and other fundraisers for the endowed scholarship.
 - Taco mama spirit night is coming up.
 - They are beginning initial plans for the 5K.
 - Crews and brews fundraiser is live.

XI. SHARED GOVERNANCE

- The Ai committee will be meeting about academic dishonesty and how Ai plays a role with that.

XII. AD HOC COMMITTEES

- Student Transportation
 - They met Monday about ordering signage and confirming which signs.
 - They are going to implement Campus Groups next semester.
 - They mentioned an informational video for the shuttle.
 - Facilities staff that is over the shuttle they would love to help with the classroom audit.
 - Mackenzie posted the graphic for SNAP.

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

- There was no old business presented.

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

- Bill 25-28: CCT/Service Hours & Custom Branding Add-on Act
 - They went over the budget changes of the Campus Groups section of the Code of Laws.
 - Went over different notes for the Campus Groups add on.
 - Chairman Moore asks are we paying for the “Helper Helper” app for service hours. Canvas, teams, outlook, and mobile order do not have UNA branding.
 - Chairwoman Strait asks if the branding would be more mobile focused. The authors say, the branding would change the web searching as well.

- Senator Vezina asked where the survey answers came from, and they authors said they came from students who attended RSO training.
- Senator Looney says it's pretty cool, but he would love the logo to change because that would be a great help.
- Communications Director Mwaura likes this, but it is a lot of money that we are using and we are not utilizing Campus Groups enough and that this may not be the best time to get it.
- We did take away about \$1600 last week with the bill 25-26.
- Vice President Ballenger says if you feel like you do not have enough information to vote on this, we can table to next week.
- Senator Gaertner asks would athletics have to continue using the app they already use and use Campus Groups, and the authors say they can use it to their discretion.
- She also asks could you put outside services hours and the authors say you can.
- The app branding would update if you updated the app.
- Senator Staggs asked if we could do a smaller contract other than five years and the answer is yes, but we are locked in to the five year one currently.
- Pro tempore Winston says the impact will be great to campus.
- Senator Woods asks if in five years we are not happy with the cost that was spent how likely is it that there will be any additional fees. The authors say we can shift costs, or we can use a new app. All money is coming from the \$65 student activity fee.
- Chief of Staff Thomas asks if the percentages will change on the allocations, and it will not be changed in this fiscal year.
- She says this is something we are working towards and have made students aware of it so we may need to follow through.
- Treasurer Hanback says both portions of this bill is great, but maybe choose just the CCT this time, and then wait for the branding for next semester when the branding changes.
- The bill passed.

XV. OPEN DISCUSSION

- Homecoming Survey
 - This is a survey that goes over homecoming.
- Winston thinks that is a great idea for doing a food drive.
- Sign-ups for Taco Mama Spirit Night

- People signed up to attend.
- Freshman Forum Advisor Ebert finished the waiver for the camera checkout process.

XVI. ADVISOR'S REPORT

- Coca cola – they are about to do a bulk order.
- They are going to put in January and 5K events orders in by November 3rd.
- Haunted GUC is coming up and Kilby kids will be dressed up.
- SGA 5K planning is getting started.
- Lion alert 360 app is out.
- Student Leader of the Month is Senator Sharma.
- RSO of the Month is Phi Mu.

XVII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Taco Mama Spirit Night – November 3rd
- Side Hustle Expo – November 4th
- Friendsgiving and Lip Sync Battle Internal Event – November 6th
- ONE Table – November 6th
- SGA interest meeting – November 12th
- Dreams to Reality Caravan – November 13th
- Crews and Brews close – November 17th
- Live Streaming Senate – November 20th
- Best robotics comp November 8th
- Download the lion alert app.

XVIII. SGA MEMBER OF THE WEEK

- SGA Member of the week is Pro-Tempore Winston

XIX. PEP

- Pep to Communications Director Mwaura!
- Pep to Freshman Forum Advisor Ebert!
- Pep to Senator Huffman and Mr. Matthew!
- Pep to Freshman Forum Advisor Buford!
- Pep to Former President Mardis and Vice President McGinnis!
- Pep to Historian Holcomb!
- Pep to everyone!
- Pep to debate!
- Pep to Senator Powell!
- Pep to Senator Sharma!
- Pep to Vice President Ballenger!

XX. ADJOURNMENT