



STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION MEETING

Wednesday, September 29, 2021 – 12:00 PM – Acadian Center, Room 127

Call to Order.....Jase McDonald, President

Our meeting was called to order at 12:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance.....Jase McDonald, President

Roll Call.....Maddy Landry, Secretary

We are missing the Vice President, Bethany Marks. We are missing senators Chaslyn Dartez, Caroline Andrus, Paige Luquette, Cendall Barton, Alayna Charles. There were a total of 14 out of 20 members present. We have met the quorum.

Old Business:

New Business:

Campus Police.....Capt. LaLonde, Director of Police

- **Jase McDonald, President, opens the floor to Captain LaLonde.**
- **Captain LaLonde is the Director of Police and security staff.**
- **Louisiana State University at Eunice has two police officers and three security staff, who are fully commissioned police officers.**
- **Captain LaLonde explains how their jurisdiction is smaller, however, they still handle any case that was initiated on campus.**
- **Captain LaLonde mentions the responsibilities of the security, which is monitoring parking lots, handling building protection, and monitoring campus.**
- **Captain LaLonde is on the Staff Senate and he believes that SGA is a great source of information within the student body.**
 - **He is open to discuss any ideas, or initiatives, throughout the year.**
- **It is important to report an incident, no matter how small or large, because we are the extra set of eyes and ears of this campus.**
- **There will be an email sent out, every October, of the “Annual Security And Fire Safety Report” of the previous year.**
- **Captain LaLonde stresses that crime prevention is not just a police responsibility, however it is for the community, who hears or sees incidents that they may not.**
- **“Trunk Or Treat” will be approaching October 31st, 2021.**
 - **The times will be from 5:30 PM until 7:30 PM**
 - **There will be a \$10 registration fee for tables, trunks, or booths, which will contribute to bottled waters for the trick or treaters at this event.**
 - **The City of Eunice will be partnering with us, as well as different entities within the Eunice area.**

- This is a FREE community event that is sponsored by LSUE CAB, LSUE Staff Senate, LSUE Faculty Senate and many more.
- Captain LaLonde mentioned they are currently establishing a “Parking Ticket Committee”.
 - The ticket would still get filed through Student Affairs, but would be sent to the Committee, which would meet biweekly.
- Captain LaLonde now opens the floor to any questions, or concerns.
 - Dustin Breaux, senator, asked, “Is there any way that there can be a warning, rather than an instant ticket? Mainly concerning those who back in, especially with the angled spots.”
 - Captain LaLonde responded saying how the rules have been implemented for many years. The issue with backing into a spot is that it will lead to pulling out in the wrong direction, potentially leading to clipping someone’s vehicle, and/or causing an accident. Even though some of the angled spots are harder to park in, this rule prevents many accidents within our one-way roads.
 - There is a “grace period” for the first week of the semester, however, where those who do not have parking passes, or are getting used to the parking lot rules, will not receive a ticket.
 - In addition, there is an email sent out each semester that contains all rules and regulations for the campus parking lots, as well as a paper attached to the parking decal at purchase.
 - Dustin then asked, “Are there ever going to be cameras placed within the parking lots?”
 - Captain LaLonde responds that every camera on campus is a web-based system, meaning that there is a cable that runs power and data to the camera. The issue with the parking lot is getting the power and data ran to the cameras that would be placed there. The light fixtures in the parking lot work off of timers, so if the cameras were put on the poles then it would only catch night time footage, due to not having power during the day time.
 - Furthermore, taking LSU as an example, it costs them just about \$20,000-\$35,000 just to get cameras in some of their parking lots.
 - Adding cameras on the building facing the lots also results in issues with clarity, which would not be effective. There would be things standing in the way of the images, such as trees, other edges of buildings, or anything else standing in the way.
 - Jase McDonald, President, mentioned how they have discussed in the past how backing into a parking spot of BV could potentially be allowed.
 - Captain LaLonde responded by agreeing to that previous idea, however, mentioning that not allowing students to back in into any parking spot is convenient for the security to check decals.
 - Decals in BV, as well as other parking lots, are extremely important for the safety of students, due to showing who is registered and who is not. This is for the protection of residents, as well as students.
 - Jase then asked if we will open up guest registration again.
 - Captain LaLonde suggests he ask Housing, since they are the ones in charge of that area.
 - Housing is working on new criteria for guests, so it should be in discussion.
- Lastly, Captain LaLonde says his final thank you and mentions his office is S-128 for any other questions, commentary, or concerns.

- **Jase opens the floor for debate on ordering and installing BBQ pits within BV.**
 - **The idea of signing a waiver was mentioned by a few senators who live on campus, which can be required within paperwork.**
 - **There are three options of BBQ pits.**
 - **Option 1: A pit with a cover running approximately \$699 per pit.**
 - **Option 2: A pit containing no cover and two racks to hold food. In addition it has an open side to empty the charcoal. This one ran approximately \$900 per pit.**
 - **Option 3: A pit much smaller than option 2, but very similar, that ran approximately \$239.99 per pit.**
 - **Senators discussed that getting 2-3 pits would be most convenient, especially for athletes who would all BBQ at one time.**
 - **Senators also discussed that there is no final location choice, however, ideally placing them around the cabana would be most convenient.**
 - **Senators all agree to ruling out options 2 and 3.**
 - **Option 1 was most suitable for weather and bug purposes, with the convenience of the cover.**
- **Jase calls this legislation to a vote, choosing option 1, the pit with the cover.**
 - **The legislation of ordering (3) option 1 (pit with a cover) BBQ pits for Bengal Village was passed with a total of 14 votes for, 0 votes against, and 0 votes abstaining.**
 - **The estimate of 3 pits with the cover would be approximately \$2,500.**

SGA Shirts.....Jase McDonald, President

- **Jase now opens the floor to discuss the pricing of SGA polos and sweatshirts.**
 - **He mentions that five administrators will receive a SGA polo and sweatshirt, as well as twenty members.**
 - **The estimated cost is approximately \$1,000.**
 - **All 14 present members were in favor.**
- **Designs should be available for the next meeting.**

Upcoming Events:

Miss LSUE Pageant, October 27 at 6:00 PM in T-102 C
 Call for Volunteers for Committee

Reminder: Office Hours

- **Members were reminded that senators are to complete two hours a week in the SGA room and executive board is to complete a total of five per week.**

Adjourn

- **The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 PM.**