The University of North Alabama

Student Government Association

Senate Minutes

October 22nd, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER

- Called to order at 3:30.

II. ROLL CALL

III. MOMENT OF SILENCE

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

V. PASSING OF AGENDA

- Agenda passed as presented.

VI. PASSING OF MINUTES

- Minutes passed as presented.

VII. SPECIAL BUSINESS

- No special business presented.

VIII. STUDENT FORUM

- Freshman Forum delegates in the forum introduced themselves.

IX. OFFICER REPORTS

- President Hanback
  - Wrapping up one-on-ones this week.
  - Met with Chairwoman Zaharko about Appleby Safety Committee.
  - Both Senators Barnett and Pounders have left SGA so there are two seats open.
  - On Monday, exec had a paper meeting.
  - Approved the $10,000 to sponsor Light the Fountain.
  - Assigned $2,000 to be assigned to the Appleby Safety padlocks from the rollover funds.
  - Encouraged SGA to get through the next few weeks, and if they need anything let him or Core Four know.
- Vice President McDonald
  - Started one-on-ones with chairs this week.
  - Met with the rollover committee about Light the Fountain.
  - Looking into promoting the rollover money a little bit more.
  - Fixed her Bookings page, so if senate needs to schedule a meeting, it is good now.
  - Reminds senate that everyone must have a one-on-one with their chairperson.
  - Every committee will be doing an end-of-the-semester report.
  - Has assigned bills to Senator Shipp and Chairwoman Staggs.
- Treasurer Woods

    - Happy homecoming week!
- Secretary McMahan
    - Wished everyone a happy homecoming week!
    - Have had a lot of meetings this week with Mr. Matthew and Laura Beasley to plan the Past Officers' Breakfast.
    - Met with Becca Bush about homecoming court.
    - Have about 67 rsvps for the event including President Kitts, the Provost, and past President Rhoades and VP Ballenger.
    - Had one-on-one with President Hanback
    - Reminder to email her and not text if you're going to be absent.
- Freshman Forum Advisors Lachowicz and Chauncey
    - Welcomes freshman forum delegates!
    - Creating information graphics for Freshman Forum.
    - Passed out Bigs and littles bags to senate.
    - Freshman Forum has a lot of events next week so make sure you show up and support!
    - Presenting a funding bill later to senate.
- Pro-Tempore Ebert
    - Happy homecoming week!
    - Expresses her gratitude to everyone who has helped her this week.
    - Shoutout to Gilly and the social media content.
    - After homecoming week, she will be reaching out to the RSO presidents to get them up to date with SGA.
    - Met with President Hanback.
    - Sending out a wellness survey to senate.
    - Encourages SGA to show up for the homecoming!
- Chief of Staff Vezina
    - Graphic request form for event was submitted.
    - Reaching out to SkyZone about an event.
- Historian Whisnant
    - Presenting November newsletter next week.
    - Working on Fall report and December newsletter.
    - Working on presentation for First Year Retention reception.
    - Scheduling appointments with Archives to start going through SGA's history.
- DIA Winston
    - Happy homecoming week!
    - Pride Points winners got their emails for the bookstore scholarships.
    - Went with Pro-Tempore Ebert to accessibility center. Created a list of things for the ROAR access center.
    - SGA was the only Co-Ed organization to donate to the ROAR access center!
- Communications Director Holcomb
    - Happy homecoming week!
    - Had a lot of meetings this week!
    - Met with Chairman Douglas about Code of Law changes.
    - Had one-on-one with President Hanback.

- Emailed Megan Dye about the design.
- Worked with Pro-Tempore Ebert on some cute videos for homecoming week.
- Had a few media requests and am only taking projects that are submitted via the media request form.
- Met with Mia today to create information graphics for Freshman Forum and am hoping to talk to Judicial about making information graphics for them as well.

X. CHAIR REPORTS

- Academic Affairs Chairwoman Powell
  - Happy Thursday!
  - Working with Dean Brewton for the finals event that will be a partnership with the Honors College.
  - If SGA has any ideas for the event, let her know!
  - Sending a survey to students to get their feedback on Academic Affairs.
- Budget Oversight Chairman Huffman
  - Had two requests. Both got approved.
  - Talked about changing Budget Manuel to improve the language in the manual.
  - There is a new poster for student allocations on all the work the Budget Oversight has been doing.
- Elections and Recruitment Chairwoman Zaharko
  - Happy homecoming week!
  - Voting closed yesterday!
  - A lot of votes!
  - Committee is now working on the Elections Manual to make it not as vague.
  - Creating a feedback form from the people who ran for court.
- Legislative Affairs Chairman Douglas
  - Happy homecoming!
  - Three weeks until Dreams to Reality!
  - Have a meeting with Mr. Matthew to plan Dreams to Reality.
  - Twelve days until midterm elections so make sure you vote!
  - Having one-on-one with committee members.
  - Met with Communications Director Holcomb and Vice President McDonald about Code of Law bill changes.
- Philanthropy Chairwoman Gaertner
  - No report presented.
- Student Welfare Chairwoman Staggs
  - Reminder that the Be Kind event is coming up.
  - For accessibility project, the committee went around campus to see what needs work.
  - Have Jump Around the World event at SkyZone for the international students.

XI. SHARED GOVERNANCE

- No items from shared governance were presented.

XII. AD HOC COMMITTEES

- Appleby Safety Committee
  - $2,000 were approved for Appleby's padlocks.

- Working on a presentation for each of the sororities to provide them with the information they need to decide what they want to do with the padlocks.
- Homecoming Committee
  - Continue showing up at all the events!
- Academic Honesty Committee
  - Senator Turner asks who is interested in joining the committee so she can create the committee.

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

- Bill 26-46: Original Rules Test Revision
  - DIA Winston moves to go to a vote on this bill.
  - The Chair suggests the bill be presented again.
  - Chairwoman Staggs presented the bill.
  - Advisor Chauncey says that the Constitutional Amendment passed so senate should pass this bill.
  - DIA Winston moves to go into a vote on this bill.
  - Senator Turner seconded the bill.
  - Senate passes the bill.
- Bill 26-47: Senate Rules Test Revision
  - Chairman Douglas says that Bill 26- makes this bill inaccurate.
  - Senate moves to go into a vote.
  - Senator Turner seconds the motion.
  - Senate passes the bill.
- Bill 26-48: Judicial Rules Test Revision
  - Pro-Tempore Ebert seconds the bill.
  - Bill passes as presented.

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

- Bill 26-56: Freshman Forum Conference Funding Bill
  - Advisor Chauncey explains that this bill allows our Freshman Forum delegates to attend their conference.
  - Senator Turner encourages SGA to pass this bill as it will provide Freshman Forum the leadership development they need.
  - Vice President McDonald asks how much money is in the Miscellaneous line.
  - Treasurer Wood says around $3,000.
  - DIA Winston asks how much money Freshman Forum has in their budget.
  - Advisor Chauncey says that there is an admin line which is only used for the pancake dinner, etc. which are internal events.
  - Pro-Tempore Ebert asks if there is not a way to get travel reimbursements through the business office.
  - Chairwoman Staggs asks if it would be cheaper to rent a bill from the SRC. She asks how many seats the vans fit.
  - Advisor Jones says ten to fifteen.
  - Advisor Jones says that they would still need gas money if they were to take the vans.
  - Advisor Chauncey asks if they would still need a driver.
  - Advisor Jones says yes.

- Senator Turner asks who all is driving.
- Advisor Chauncey says Chairwoman Gaertner, herself, and Senator turner will be driving.
- Chairwoman Staggs asks if Chairwoman Gaertner would also need to be reimbursed.
- Advisor Batchelor says that Chairwoman Gaertner is not representing SGA at this conference.
- Senator Turner moves to go into a vote.
- Chairman Huffman seconds the motion.
- Senate passes the bill.

XV. OPEN DISCUSSION

- Bicentennial Launch Sign Up Sheet
- Coke Products
  - Advisor Chauncey asks if SGA could create a large Coke order with Freshman Forum.
- Friendsgiving Internal Event
  - Pro-Tempore Ebert asks if SGA wants to have a potluck internal event.
- Past Officers' Breakfast Help
  - Secretary McMahan asks for two more volunteers for Saturday morning.

XVI. ADVISOR'S REPORT

- Happy homecoming!
- Reminded SGA that they are students first and to take care of themselves.
- This Saturday is College Night!
- Bicentennial Launch kickoff this week.
- Night at the Bank is an event happening next Tuesday at Bank Independent Stadium to create a photo for UNA.
- Passport to the World is coming up on Thursday, November 19th.
- Storage Closet is now locked, so ask him or Mia for the key.
- Chairwoman Zaharko shares homecoming election voting results.

XVII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Homecoming Spirit Challenge – October 19th-23rd
- UNA Homecoming – October 24th
- Freshman Forum Spooky Social – October 26th, 7-9pm
- Freshman Forum Halloween Outreach Event – October 27th, 10am-12pm
- Pie a Delegate– October 28th: 12-3pm
- SGA and Freshman Forum Big/Little Reveal – October 28th, 5pm
- Dr. Ellis Speaking to Senate – October 29th
- Night at the Bank – November 3rd, 6pm
- Alabama Midterm Elections – November 3rd
- Kicking Off Kindness – November 9th, 9-11am
- Miss UNA – November 14th, 5pm

XVIII. SGA MEMBER OF THE WEEK

- Was Mallory Ebert!

XIX. PEP

- Pep to Meadow!
- Pep to Freshman Forum!
- Pep to Mae!
- Pep Mr. Matthew!

- Pep to Madeline!
- Pep to Old Business no longer being old business!

XX. ADJOURNMENT