



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA
FIRST YEAR COUNCIL

November 7th, 2024

I. Roll Call

II. Approval of Minutes

III. Ice Breaker: If you could only eat one favorite food for the rest of your life, what would it be?

IV. Guest Speaker: Lily Marchand

- Dr. Angela Coleman, Associate Vice President – responsible for perception data, using it to improve student lives
- Lily Marchand – developing and launching first year student experience survey to see what went wrong when they leave and are there any common issues
- Will help determine the good and bad about South, going into personal experiences, and what can affect a student at school
- Breaking out into groups to do the survey
- Ideally, survey going out at the end of the month, going out before Thanksgiving
- Coming back in the Spring with results

V. Officer Reports

- Martha Claire Thaxton: President -
 - The bill she sponsored for the Jag Pantry did pass and a shoutout to Trace the Race – Ben and Brice!
- Owen Stubbs: Vice President -
 - Trace the race was fun great job Ben and Bryce also Liza for helping
 - Seems like things are picking up each committees rolling out their first events so that is good to see I feel like we are picking up momentum behind us so let's keep that going
 - Hang nice suit by the way
- Olivia McDonald: Secretary -
 - No report

VI. Committee Reports

- Governmental Relations: Benjamin Bruce

- No meeting this week so no report but thank you for coming to Trace the Race and you were in polo and there, go see Ben to report South Serve hours
- Student Engagement: Katie Shanks
 - Working on final details for Deck the Hall on December 5th, dress code for FYC is Christmas PJs and name tags
- Campus Safety and Improvement: Helen Hendrix
 - Coffee with Cops is December 3rd – time is TBD, and tabling on November 19th and on November 17th there is a Campus Cleanup with AED
 - You can log service hours by going and logging office hours if wearing polos
- Student Resources and Outreach: Olivia Keller
 - Event with the Wellness Center is November 20th from 1-3 pm in student room 205.
- Public Relations and Marketing: Liza Mays
 - Working on flyers, please do share all photos

VII. Old Business

VIII. New Business

IX. Sprinks Speaks

- Remember to take care of you
- Check your Ride is November 22nd, SGA cosponsors with USA PD and it is with O'Rileys and at the transportation center and they will pull your vehicle in and check your fluids and tire pressure and it is entirely free. Across from the intramural fields.

X. Hone in with Hamilton

- Meeting on November 21st, we will not meet as a council, she will get with just committee chairs, same night as Song Fest, so she will text and ask for what times will work best
- Council members will not meet this day though
- Google Calendar– she will try and fix during her office hours tomorrow
- Spring Retreat – poll is open until Sunday but Top Golf is currently winning, and last year it was super fun
- If you need anything, please reach out

XI. Student Forum

- Song Fest is November 21st – all Greek organizations have a dance they perform and it is based off of Make a Wish foundation
- Next week, AOII is having a Pie-a-Pi event
- Opera Theatre is having a show tomorrow at 7:30 pm
- Southerners – if interested
 - Applications open December 16th (2-3 rec letters)
 - SGA in the Spring as well
 - Oozeball is April 12th

XII. Announcements

- The Tree Lighting is Tuesday, November 19th at 5 pm, if you want to try and meet a little before that, last year was name tag and polos
- The President will be thanking us
- Snacks provided, Opera Theatre is performing
- Photo Booth will be done as well and will have lots of props and Christmas-themed

XIII. Adjourn