Senate Minutes for Friday, Jan 11, 2012 2:30pm

I. <u>Call to Order</u>

Meeting called to order by Sen. Pres. Amy Bueno at 2:30pm

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Roll Call

Absent: Sen. Dawson

II. Adoption of agenda

Agenda approved

III. Approval of minutes

A. December 7, 2012

Minutes approved

IV. **Guest Speaker**

A. Ethan Friedland-Students for Sensible Drug Policy

Statistics and analysis on use and abuse of prescription drugs, illicit drugs, and alcohol in various Universities in the United States of America, discussion of reports from National Association of Health stating drastic increase in number of deaths since 2003

B. Gentry McCreary-Student Rights and Responsibilities

Drug, alcohol, and misconduct statistics at the University of West Florida-comparing fall 2011 to fall 2012: overall charges have decreased drastically since last year

V. **Appointments**

None

VI. <u>Legislative Addresses</u>

A. Senate President Bueno

Welcomes everyone for the new year and spring semester, reminders on Senate meeting location changes during the semester, will add standing committee reports on Senate Agenda, encourages reports to be discussed today during closing announcements B. Rules & Statutes Committee-Chair Hartley

Introduced new Senator as Committee member, discussed restructuring statutes bill C. University Outreach Committee-Sen. Qureshi

DSA/DTAs discussed in detail and the plaques of the past awardees, encourages all members of SGA to get together and support the event

D. Student Outreach Committee-Chair Crozier

Discussed January's New Student Union survey in detail which will be given to the students from mid-January until mid-February, reminders on duties and responsibilities of the Committee

E. Budget & Allocation Committee-Chair Thrasher

Three members resigned, hearings started today, seeks support and encouragement from all SGA members

VII. <u>Executive Addresses</u>

A. President Merritt

Welcomes everyone for a wonderful semester, last night was the Executive Board retreat to plan the semester ahead, Sustainability Coordinator will be sworn in next month,

difference between argo alerts and argo notices, transfer orientation is now mandatory and will be presented with a brief video, SGA day is on Feb 12, 2013, Blue and Green Day will be implemented this semester, FSA meeting tomorrow, is excited for the upcoming semester

B. Vice-President Averhart

Reports from UWF Foundation Board and grants for the study abroad program-11 students were funded, an increase of \$2 per credit hour to compensate withdrawal of PICO financing for University buildings

C. Cabinet-Chelsea Kendrick

Stripping down fashion show with Student Activities next week, Argo Atlas campus calendar will be out soon, encourages attendance for dance marathon and relay for life D. Freshman Committee-Vice Chair Osley

Did not have Freshman Committee meeting, will have the Freshman Committee Spring Retreat tonight

VIII. <u>Administrative Addresses</u>

Vice President of Student Affairs-Dr. Bailey No report

IX. Removals

None

X. Unfinished Business

None

XI. New Business

None

XII. Adjournment

A. Closing announcements

Robin Zimmern: Welcomes everyone back to SGA, reminder on etiquette dinner at McGuires through Jason Quest, Lauren Fagler will be leaving soon for a new job and will be presented with a resolution and gift at the next Senate Meeting to show appreciation Sen. Qureshi: encourages on promoting the DSA/DTAs

Sen. Pres. Bueno: Biased response team reported derogatory language in residence halls during the first week of classes

B. Final Roll Call

Absent: Sen. Dawson, Chair Crozier

C. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Sen. McBurney, second by Chair Thrasher

No debate, no opposition, motion passes 28-0-0

Meeting adjourned by Sen. Pres. Amy Bueno at 3:41pm