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Student Government

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## ALL-STUDENT ASSEMBLY MINUTES

20 September 2010

8.00 p.m.

“Andrey Delchev” Auditorium

Balkanski Academic Center

**Meeting called by:** Dimitar Chatleski

**Secretary:** Nino Rurua

**Type of meeting:** Regular

### AGENDA TOPICS

**I. Call to Order**

**a. Approval of the Agenda**

**II. Student Government Goals**

**III. SG Student Representative Selection Committee Guidelines and Criteria**

**IV. SG Teams**

**V. SG Budgetary Committee Guidelines and Criteria**

**VI. Student Government Budget**

### **I. Agenda Topic: Call to Order**

Chair Dimitar Chatleski called the All-Student Assembly to order at 8:25 pm. The quorum (needed 1/5 of the whole student body, at least 208 students, to attend the meeting) was reached that granted the All-Student Assembly decision-making power.

#### **(1) Approval of the Agenda**

Chair Chatleski presented the Agenda for the ASA.

### **II. Agenda Topic: Student Government Goals**

The President of the SG Jaba Shalamberidze presented the SG goals for the 2011-2012 academic year:

- Restructuring the Student Government for the purpose of making it more efficient
- Collaborating with AUBG administration and staff members on key issues
- Voicing students' concerns in front of the university administration
- Cooperating with Student Governments at other universities
- Revising the Student Government Constitution

Floor was open for suggestions and comments. Student Ivan Bardarov proposed adding student evaluation of Administration, Housing, etc. to the evaluation of Teaching conducted at the end of every semester. President Shalamberidze noticed that his suggestion is not directly related to general SG Goals presented, but will be taken into account and discussed later. Chair Chatleski moved to approve SG Goals. Second. Voting. Discussions. The official Student Government Goals were approved as presented.

### **III. Agenda Topic: SG Student Representative Selection Committee Guidelines and Criteria**

Vice-President of the SG Timopheyy Koroteev introduced the members of the SRSC, senators: Nikola Mladenov, Timur Huseynov, Sindi Shkodrani, Tijana Stojanovich, Ivan Stanchev and Diana Li. Koroteev briefly talked about the changes to the Guidelines made last year. He emphasized the new rules regarding application and voting procedures, and added that the updated version of Student Representative Selection Committee Guidelines is available on the official SG website.

### **IV. Agenda Topic: SG Teams**

In order to make current Student Government work more efficient and successful, President Shalamberidze presented his idea of reorganization in the structure of SG. According to him, besides the two main committees (Student Representative Selection and Budgetary) senators will also be divided into 4 distinct working teams. The functions of each team and its members are as follows:

Teams	Function	Members
<b>Constitutional</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Revising the constitution</li> <li>Drafting amendments and bylaws</li> </ul>	Kristi Pango Mario Grachenov Ivan Stanchev Shamil Mustafayev Dimitar Chatleski
<b>Internal Communication</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SG Newsletter</li> <li>Professor Mid-semester evaluations</li> </ul>	Sindi Shkodrani Nikola Mladenovic Kristi Pango Veronika Bobrova
<b>External Relations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Communicating with SGs in other universities</li> <li>Student Government parties</li> <li>Fundraisings for different on-campus events</li> <li>Communicating with sponsors</li> </ul>	Sindi Shkodrani Mario Grachenov Stilian Zhelev Timur Huseynov Ivan Stanchev
<b>Social Research</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Omnibus Researches on different on-campus issues</li> </ul>	Tijana Stojanovic Nikola Mladenovic Diana Li Shamil Mustafayev Stilian Zhelev Tim Koroteev Dimitar Chatleski

**V. Agenda Topic: SG Budgetary Committee Guidelines and Criteria**

Treasurer of the SG Venelina Miteva presented the members of the Budgetary Committee, senators: Veronika Bobrova, Stilian Zhelev, Shamil Mustafayev, Kristi Pango, Mario Grachenov. Miteva emphasized the rule according to which all the student clubs, existing or new, including the sports clubs who get funding from the Sports Office, need to be recognized by the AUBG SG every year.

## **VI. Agenda Topic: Student Government Budget**

Treasurer of the SG Miteva presented the SG budget proposal for the 2011-2012 academic year. This year's SG budget increased by more than 50% compared to last year's and makes up to \$ 33,350. As in previous year's budget, there were two types funding – basic for small clubs for their operational and promotional activities, and premium for 4 clubs organizing major events at the university (Musical, Olympics, More honors and JMC Rocks, the later added this year).

The floor was open for comments or suggestions. Former senator of the SG Ivan Daskalov noticed that with less than a half of this year's budget all the student clubs were financed last year and part of the amount was even left unused. He suggested moving part from the basic clubs funding to the buckets for 4 major events on campus. As a member of More Honors, Daskalov mentioned that even slight increase in More Honors bucket would enable the club to acquire new equipment, software and deliver a show of much better quality. Former President of the SG Elitsa Nacheva supported Daskalov's motion and added that out of 40 clubs last year 15 clubs did not apply for any funding, while 7-8 asked money for posters. Based on this information, Nacheva suggested that requests for funding from clubs are highly unlikely to double this year.

There was a motion to increase Musical's bucket with \$1,500. Second. Discussions. Voting. Majority of the students attending the assembly voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

There was a motion to increase AUBG Olympics' bucket with \$1,000. Second. Discussions. Voting. Motion passed.

There was a motion to increase JMC Rocks' bucket with \$535. Second. Discussions. Voting. Motion passed.

There was a motion to increase More Honors' bucket with \$800. Second. Discussions. Student Petar Trifonov noticed that the reduction in basic clubs budget would impede development of smaller clubs, and asked how the More Honors was going to spend the additional sum of money. President of More Honors Alexander Nestorov answered that the \$800 was necessary for the stage show equipment and if not financed, the club would have to fundraise the amount. Since there was a significant increase in SG budget, he suggested representatives of other clubs organizing big events on campus to create their own buckets as well. Voting on increase in More Honors club bucket. Motion passed.

Student Ivan Markovic moved to create a bucket for Business Club with the sum of \$500. According to Markovic, who is the vice president of the club, the requested money is necessary to organize higher-quality presentations and invite larger companies with better means of promotion. Motion seconded. Discussions. Student Elitsa Nacheva, who was a member of the club last year, mentioned that the club requested funding from the SG only for promotional posters, while University Events Office covers the expenses related to official guests and events. Student Elitsa Vacheva proposed a friendly amendment to decrease the size of bucket to \$200. Markovic refused to make an amendment to the motion emphasizing the need of larger sum. Chair Chatleski put the motion on voting. Voting. Motion failed.

Student Edi Bardhollari moved to increase the amount of money allocated for SG Parties from \$1500 to \$3000. Motion seconded. Discussions. Voting. Motion failed.

Student Ergys Ristani moved to create a bucket for CSSU with the sum of \$500.

Second. Discussions. Chair Chatleski put the motion on voting. Voting. Motion passed.  
 Student Petar Trifonov moved to create a bucket with the size of \$800 for Rock Jamming club. Motion seconded. Discussions. Voting. Motion passed.

2011-2012	Amount	Increase in Buckets	Total
Club	\$ 19,385	(\$ 5135)	\$ 14250
Student Life Improvement	\$ 400		\$ 400
SG Parties	\$ 1500		\$ 1500
More Honors	\$ 4600	\$ 800	\$ 5400
AUBG Olymics	\$ 3000	\$ 1000	\$ 4000
Musical	\$ 2500	\$ 1500	\$ 4000
JMC Rocks	\$ 765	\$ 535	\$ 1300
<b>NEW buckets:</b>			
Rock Jamming		\$ 800	\$ 800
CSSU		\$ 500	\$ 500
Work-Study	\$ 1,000		\$ 1000
SG Office Expenses	\$ 100		\$ 100
Chair's Discretionary	\$ 300		\$ 300
Contingency	\$ 400		\$ 400
SG Projects	\$ 400		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 33,350</b>		

## VI. Adjournment

ASA Meeting adjourned at 9.20 p.m.