ANNUAL REPORT

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

2015-2016 ACADEMIC YEAR
BAGWELL COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Kaitlin Maginnis
I held several forums last semester to hear the complaints of my students.

This semester I have spoken to classmates, hearing many complaints and concerns.

Most students were confused by the recent program redesign.

Others were concerned about advising, feeling as though they are not receiving adequate guidance. I stepped in here when possible, showing what my advisor recommended and telling them what my advisor told me.

I also received complaints about specific professors and issues with them that I will be taking to the Dean, regardless of my election status.

Dean Eaton was extremely receptive to concerns when she received them, and helped me figure out the best way to deal with some of them. She also taught me a few things about the department.
WHAT HAVE I DONE?

- Besides holding the forums, I wrote down the complaints and took them to my dean, Dean Arlinda Eaton, for discussion.
- She was happy to hear complaints and encouraged me to bring them to her again.
- I worked on my personal project (see personal project slide).
- I listened to students and explained whatever I could regarding their concerns, or pointed them in the right direction if I was not the proper individual to help.
- I raised awareness regarding SGA, what we do, who we are, and where to find us. I told multiple people about our office and office hours, in addition to giving them my email.
- Many students told me that they had no idea we had something like SGA, or that they had someone representing them; so I was glad to hear that they learned something from our conversations.
- I encouraged students to come to SGA, whether they were interested in running for a position, or even just to become further informed. Everyone can gain something from attending meetings or streaming them online.
My personal project was to increase the study abroad opportunities for Education Majors.

In the fall I spoke to a wider variety of Education majors, preliminarily hearing interest in an increase in opportunities.

I spent a lot of my time in the fall talking with students, meeting with the International Field Experience Coordinator, Dr. Binbin Jiang, and mentioning my project to the Dean.

I found out it would be difficult to get new programs as they would desire the classes to be Field Experience classes. That would be difficult since the school would have to be accredited by the US; therefor limiting the options.

I got the ball rolling, creating surveys and distributing them. But I also found a lack of interest in the Early Childhood side of the Education department. Some simply said they could not, while others had no interest.

The heavy interest seems to be with Middle and Secondary majors, along with a smaller variety of Early Childhood majors.
PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR

• If re-elected (If not, I will pass this along to my successor): I intend to try and set up something to help students understand the redesign

• I would see about a handout, an email, and/or a session to talk about it

• I would seek to improve advising

• Also, I plan to get Secondary Ed more integrated into the College of Education. Technically they are in their respective colleges, but some have complained to me about not receiving emails that are important. At the very least this needs to be remedied

• I would make flyers, or see about getting myself on the TV in the Education Department so that students would see my picture (so they know who to come to), my name my office hours (& location), and my email.
COLLEGE OF THE ARTS

Camille Carpenter Henriquez
MISSION

- Develop a stronger sense of **UNITY** within the College of the Arts
- Add new opportunities for education abroad within the College of the Arts
ACHIEVEMENTS

• Sara Knapp worked very closely with the Dean of the College of the Arts, Dr. Patricia Poulter, and Director of Performing Arts Abroad (PAA), Reynolds Whalen, to further expand the Education Abroad opportunities. By expanding these opportunities, the students will now go from having one option, to a minimum of 18 places to choose from (which will be offered each semester)!

• “Dinner and a Show” Event was created and held as the inaugural event for College of the Art students to develop a sense of unity by meeting students in the other disciplines while being able to support Kennesaw State’s Dance students in their Tenth Anniversary Performance. We were able to provide the students with free food and free tickets to the Dance Production “Ten”!
Currently, Dean Grant-Robinson and I have coordinated an Advising Series, which will be catered to students within the College of the Arts on specific days, where they can openly meet their Advisor and get their burning questions and concerns answered. The Dean also wants to consider expanding this into a College of the Arts Town Hall to further spread the word of upcoming plans for the College.
LEGACY

• Sara and I hope to carry on the “Dinner and a Show” for the College of the Art students so that they can continue to build upon the connection between the four disciplines within the college.

• We also hope this little attribute will expand into larger events that the students would love to participate in such as an End of the Year Showcase/Exhibition, which would display the many talents that the College of the Arts students have to offer!
SPECIAL THANKS TO:

- Dean, College of the Arts, Dr. Patricia Poulter
- Chair, College of the Arts, Dr. Ivan Pulinkala
- Assistant Dean for Admissions and Student Services, Dean Grant-Robinson
- Director of Performing Arts Abroad (PAA), Reynolds Whalen
- Assistance with “Dinner and a Show”, Jessica Drewry
COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

Jami Bouges
CHANGES WITH CONSOLIDATION

• Policy Updates
• Transition into a full college
• Community Involvement
• Adjustments to Studio Culture
PERSONAL PROJECT

• Disruption of Studio Culture
• Introducing freshmen to a new family
• How can we reimagine the culture of our department in the New U?
SOUTHERN POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

Sebastian Perez Ramirez
UAS POLICY

• Communicating with committee that wrote UAS Policy and Aerial Robotics.
COMPASS SERVICE TRIPS

• Helped offset cost of transportation for organization.
NEW CHANGES AND POLICIES THAT AFFECT MY CONSTITUENTS

• Competition teams and SABAC
• New academic policies
• New available resources.
COLES COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Matt McCleskey, Kelly Herrera, Odisan Sisavath
COLES COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

- Monthly Luncheons with Dean and Advisory Board
- Promoting Resources in Coles Building
  (Tutoring, Computer Labs, Career Services, Presentations)
- Survey of Students
- Forum
COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Corey Brown, Avery Lynch, Sophie Normil
PERSONAL PROJECTS

• Avery: Beautification on the Campus/ Disc Golf

• Sophie: Disc Golf/ Menus in the Commons

• Corey:
GOALS AS A CONSTITUENCY

Steps to create the Goal:

• Spoken to students in Social Science Building for an hour to hear their concerns.
• Ideally thought of main concerns between us

Goal:

• Better communication processes between constituents and Student Government Association senators.
  • Bulletin Boards
  • Create a well-known space for student involvement
  • Corq App
COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS

Jonathan Pierre, Igbagboleke Mobolaji
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

• Informed the gym of students safety concerns
• Passed Resolution for repurposing the 5/3rds Bank
• Updated constitution and ppm for Student Advisory Board
• Member Food Advisory Committee
• Member of the Stipends Committee
• Member of the Communication Committee
• Member of the Governance Committee
• 4 successful meetings with my Dean
• Attended homecoming meetings
HONORS COLLEGE

Ariel Walley
SENATOR OF THE HONORS COLLEGE

- Honors Portfolio
- Dean Search Committee
- Honors professors and other concerns
- The Corq Project
- Honors website
- Faculty Award Committee
- Reaching out to students
WELLSTAR COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Judy Liu, Lily Roche
JUDY’S ACCOMPLISHMENTS

• Intern Program
  • wrote the resolution for the Beautification of Kennesaw

• Academic Affairs Committee
  • fuel for midterms/fuel for finals

• Advising
  • surveyed the student population about WellStar College advising

• Attended UPCC meetings (Undergraduate Policies and Curriculum Committee)

• Student representative for the Dean Search Committee of the WellStar College
  • ability to interview/meet candidates
  • look for a candidate that would best benefit the students and WellStar College

• Personal Project
  • created a communication awareness to reach Senators and SGA representatives
  • still working on putting SGA information onto the WellStar website
LILY’S ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Part of the Intern System
  - Disc Golf Project
- Communications Committee
  - Distributed the Feather Letter in the department offices to keep students updated
- Meeting with Dean Nandan
  - Several meetings through the semester to keep her updated and involved
- Advising
  - Collected Survey Data on how students felt about WellStar Advising
  - Met with Dr. Roxanne Donovan
- WellStar Clinic - Student Health Service
  - Kelly Johnston (Department Head for Student Health Services on KSU Side)
  - Julie Fritz (Practice Manager of WellStar Side)
- Personal Project: Meet the Stars of the WellStar College Event
  - 2 Day Event where I gathered the Dean, faculty/staff, and involved students of the WellStar College
  - Student Advisory Board
  - WellStar Service Day
STUDENT BODY AT LARGE

Jacob Glickman, Samantha Behrend, Alex Tomlinson
FORUMS

- Held two forums in September and October
- Trekked around the Campus Green, approaching students.
- Informed many students of what SGA is, what we do and where they can find us.
- Heard concerns over Smoking on Campus, Campus Safety and other issues.
- Informed students on who their college’s senator was and how they could contact them.
- Promoted the Live Safe App and the Corq App.
DEAN MEETINGS

- Met with Dean of Students Dr. Michael Sanseviro in the Fall and in the Spring
- Presented issues and concerns brought up during Forums and Owl Reaches
- Discussed Campus Safety, Student Center Renovations, and Changes coming to SABAC.
- Presented our plans for the year and Dr. Sanseviro put us in touch with the right people and resources to accomplish our goals
- Facilitated the information he gave us through Forums, Owl Reaches, and Town Halls.
• Discussed with Lewis Godwin, Sr. Director for Facilities Management, about lighting on campuses, sidewalk conditions, and repurposing of former smoking areas

• He will discuss idea of repurposing smoking areas with Grounds Department to see what can be done

• Informed that funds were approved for:
  • $750,000 for lighting on both campuses
  • $150,000 for repair of sidewalks on Marietta campus
COMMITTEES

• We all served on the Communications Committee
• Helped introduce the Feather Letter this year
• Wrote for every edition; covering events, meetings, and directors.
• Accompanied Director Vadlamudi to ITAC meetings
• Served on the Stipend Committee, working with Treasurer Goodson and Senator Mobolaji
• Created a stipend format to meet the needs of the new consolidated administration
PERSONAL PROJECT - THE CORQ APP

- Collaborated with Senator of the Honors College Ariel Walley to promote awareness and use of the Corq App
- Created a marketing plan and advertising budget for the project
- Met with Assistant Director of the office of student life Jennifer Tesch
- Contacted all Registered Student Organization Presidents, Vice Presidents and Communication officers and gave them a comprehensive to guide on how to use the Corq App to improve membership and student engagement.
STILL IN THE WORKS...

• -SGA and VKSU collaboration volunteer day at Mostly Mutts

• -Meeting with Director of Parking

• -Meeting with Elaine Ferguson about ATMS on campus

• -Mural Project
COLLEGE OF COMPUTING AND SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

Deja Jackson
PERSONAL PROJECT

• Recycling on the Marietta Campus
  • Recycling Campaign
  • Complete:
    • Flyers
    • Email to Constituents
    • Campaigning
  • In progress:
    • Marietta Housing Recycling Program
TERM HIGHLIGHTS

• Live Safe App
• Recycling Campaign
• First Year Students
  • Committee to enhance the first year Experience
• Computing and Software Engineering:
  • Promoting SGA
  • Tentative CS Schedule
  • Internship Opportunities
FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

Brandon Bodony, Deja Jackson, Yasmine McGruder
OUR GOALS

• With our limited about of time, we wanted too
  • Get our information out to freshman students
  • Hold a forum so our constituents could meet us
  • And reach out to First-Year Seminar classes to promote SGA and talk to first year students.
WHAT WE DID

- Our Forum went extremely well, met tons of students and got a lot of helpful feedback.

- We created an information flier and put tons of them in each RA’s mailbox.

- And we are still waiting to hear back from First-Year Seminar teachers.
NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENTS

Gloria Ward
AS A SENATOR FOR THE NONTRADITIONAL STUDENTS I GET TO BE CLOSE TO MY STUDENTS

I got the chance to go to the Life Long Learning Center every day. This convenience allows me the opportunity to talk to my students and help them as much as I can. I also met with Mr. Robert
SUPORT, ENCORAGEMENT
PERSEVERANCE
THE ADULT STUDENTS NEEDS A SAFE PLACE IN OUR UNIVERSITY
THE ADULT CENTER IS GREAT IN PROVIDING ACADEMIC SUPPORT (THESE ARE THE TUTORS IN THE CENTER.)

#Motivated
THE ADULT LEARNERS NEED A PLACE OF BELONGING AND COMMUNITY

From time to time the center also has special events for the students. The special events include stress management seminars, test taking strategies, and networking opportunities.
THE NONTRADITIONAL STUDENT IS A VITAL GROUP AT THE KSU BODY
STUDENT VETERANS

Shawn Hutcherson
Kennesaw State University’s Veteran’s Day Ceremony
12:00PM November 11, 2015
Honoring all who served in times of war - in times of peace
In the Carmichael Student Center University Rooms
One of my first actions were to work on the safety for those who use mobility. An SDS staff member and I documented all the locations that need to be fixed. During the renovation and construction of buildings Mrs. Lynn Hagan contacted them informing them on some of the updates that needed to take place.
# BULLYING PREVENTION MONTH PROCLAMATION

Bullying Prevention Month Proclamation


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## OCTOBER 2015 BULLYING PREVENTION MONTH

As an official Champion against bullying for PACER's National Bullying Prevention Center we promote Bullying Prevention Month. Founder of Bullying Prevention Month in the state of Georgia Stephanie Grisham. Officially Approved by Governor Nathan Deal.

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  ~ Do it Yourself  
  x Place Center | 5 x Quota Day!  
  PACER's National Bullying Prevention Center | 6 x Make your Ribbon!  
  Official Bullying of Ones at Disabilities Ribbon | 7 x Tell your story.  
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  Tell your story. | 8 x ~ Decorate a T-Shirt Content.  
  Stomp away the Bullies.  
  Never give up! | 9 x Run Walk Roll.  
  Video Contest | 10 x* Delete Cyberbullying |
| 11 x Sign the Digital Petition.  
  Poetry Contest! | 12 x Poetry Contest!  
  Poetry Contest! | 13 x "Shake it off"  
  Tonight! | 14 x Tell your story.  
  Tell your story. | 15 x* | 16 x ~ Video Contest | 17 x |
| 18 x Love it...  
  Ribbon Week | 19 x Ribbon Week  
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  - Book It From Bullying | 20 x *  
  Ribbon Week  
  - UNITY Day  
  -UNIFY Day | 21 x*  
  Ribbon Week  
  -Tell out the Bullies | 22 x*  
  Ribbon Week  
  -Tell out the Bullies | 23 x | 24 x |
| 25 x Ribbon Week | 26 x Cut out Hurtful words.  
  "Braves" Day | 27 x* | 28 x Tell your story. | 29 x*  
  Sign the Digital Petition.  
  Scare away the Bullies | 30 x | 31 x |
“Shake It Off Tonight!”
October 13th
8PM-10PM
BULLYING PREVENTION MONTH

LIKE US ON "I HAVE CAPABILITIES NOT DISABILITIES"

RAYVEN BAILEY
VOCALIST OF THE NIGHT

Hosted by: Stephanie Gargiulo
Vocalist of the Night: Rayven Bailey
Bullying Prevention Month

"Shake it Off Tonight"-October 13th!
Come dance the night away with us, as we bring awareness to Bullying Prevention Month!

When: October 13th at 8-10pm
Where: Kennesaw State University- Kennesaw Campus-Student Center
UV Rooms-CDE
Attire: semi formal
Admission: Free
Free Food

Donations go to The Children’s Miracle Network Hospitals

The KSU Student Government Senator of Students with Disabilities, is hosting this event to bring awareness to Bullying Prevention Month. If you have any questions contact Stephanie Gargiulo at sgar24@kennesaw.gsu.edu.
KSU Brainstorm Radio @ksu_brainstorm 3h
DJ @Molly Renoe is wearing orange in support of antibullying. Join @ksuowradio and stop bullying!

KSU OWL Radio reweeted
Terence M McNair @T Mac1990 8h
In the name of anti-bullying, I'm wearing orange along with some folks from @ksuowradio! You should too!!
• There will now be:

- an SDS table at orientation

- hosting seminars for educators on how to help students with disabilities

- having a forum that the Student Government Senator of Students with Disabilities to promote events on- Owl Accommodate
THE ACADEMY
STUDENT ATHLETES

Dorian Powell-Harris
INITIATIVES

- President Roberson in passing a resolution that would allow our Intramural Sports Program to have access to the Intramural fields after the access was discontinued with the creation of the football program.
- Also, I advocated for the student body at large in the conflict of the student that have been disrespected by an advisor.
- I attended multiple Student Athlete Advisory Committee meetings, and met with Athletic Director, Mr. Vaughn Williams.
- Successful Forums.
- Football Advisory Committee.
- Hiring Committee for Vice President of Student Affairs.
- Hiring Committee for Director of Student Development.
- Attending Meetings for the Consolidation Task Force.
- Welcome and Host Committee for Public Figures.
SUPPORT
ADVOCACY
AMERICAN MINORITIES

Kelly Herrera, Michelle Uzokwe
BLACK HISTORY MONTH

• I was able to meet with the president and vice president of the African American Student Alliance.

• I learned about the various Black History Month events that the AASA was holding.

• The AASA planned to hold 9 different events throughout the month of February on both of the campuses.
2016 BLACK HISTORY EVENT CALENDAR

The list of Black History Month events held by the African American Student Alliance.

#BlackStudentsMatter
2/1/16
11am-1pm
Burruss Bldg. Atrium

Black Girls Rock!
2/3/16
7-9pm
Social Science 1021

Voter Registration Drive
2/4/16
11am-1pm
Burruss Bldg. Atrium

Street Talk
2/9/16
5:30-8:00pm
Social Science 1021

CPDI Africa Modern African Architecture
Marietta Campus
School of Architecture Gallery
Opening Reception Feb 8th, 6:00pm
Duration: Feb 8 - Feb 18, 2016

“Defining Black” Documentary
2/18/16
7-9pm
Marietta Campus
Student Center
All-All Affiliated

Black In America 2
2/23/16
12:30-1:15pm
Leadership Room

Jeopardy
2/10/16
6-8pm
Social Science 1021

Art Gallery/Get Acquainted
2/25/16
6-9pm
UV Rooms
INTERN PROJECT

- The new consolidation between Kennesaw State University and Southern Polytechnic State University has encouraged us to think about how we can do something for the students on the Marietta campus.
- Since the Kennesaw campus has a larger population, it tends to reap more benefits.
- The purpose of this project is to give the Marietta campus some of the attention it deserves.
INTERN PROJECT DETAILS

• Among the interns, it was decided that we would work toward fixing the disc golf course as well as various sidewalks and crosswalks around the campus.

• Some of the interns were able to meet with the director of the Sports and Recreation to discuss the project to discuss the details of the project.

• It is expected that the disc golf course will be complete by April 2016. No specific date has been specified as of yet.
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Ogo Orizu
MY YEAR BEGAN ASSISTING THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ASSOCIATION WITH THE THE FIRST MEETING HOSTING JAMAICA AS THE COUNTRY OF STUDY

• On February 2nd, we hosted the first Isa meeting were we discussed Jamaica as a country and the issues an relevant events pertaining to it. We had several students in attendance as well as we dived into jamaica’s current issues such as new panels for elections, the under 17 football team and issues such as poverty and unemployyment.
On the 9th of February, I teamed up the ISA to get a date auction for scholarships for international students. All the proceeds of the dates will go to selected students who need aid in paying for certain things they cannot do independently. The event was a success.
HOUSING AND PARKING

• The international students association reached out to me about the parking fees that Kennesaw State included in the mandatory fees lost and this didn’t sit right with them as most of them do not own cars on campus and did not want to be included in the mandatory fees. I reached out to the school’s administration and they informed me that this fee was for the reimbursement of the fees Kennesaw used to build the renovations added to the parking deck and not just completely for the students who park. I reached out to my constituents and relayed them this information.

• KSU decided that all housing on campus except for Arc would be for freshman and my constituency reached out to me because this affects them deeply as not every international student is comfortable living off campus. I’ve scheduled a meeting to meet with the director of housing to solve this issue.
RESIDENCE LIFE

Tuan Nguyen, Madison Smith
FALL SEMESTER

- Personal Project:
  - Courtyard Lounge
    - Contacted Housing
    - Housing is working on it
  - Issues:
    - Lack of Furniture

- Internet Issue:
  - HV 200 Wi-Fi Petition
    - UITS acknowledge the problem’
    - Fiber Optic Network in April
SPRING SEMESTER

• Personal Project: AED Informational Session
  • Work in Progress: Working with Student Housing Safety Committee
  • General Body March 21\textsuperscript{st}

• KP Housing Concerns
  • General Body February 22\textsuperscript{nd}
  • Chris Bruno explain decision and rationale
Drama Club at Kennesaw State University

JOIN ORGANIZATION

Primary Contact
Cameron Gibson

Log in to connect with Drama Club at Kennesaw State University
OTHER

- Mandatory Student Fee Committee
- Communications Committee
RESOURCE ACCOUNTS

• Goal: club@Kennesaw.edu

• Zimbra Resource accounts
J.M. WILSON (MARIETTA) STUDENT CENTER THEATER

• College of the Arts, with Dance Dept.
• $1.3 million so far
• Theater is offline June 2016-June 2017
• Stage is first operation