Student Government Association University Council Report

Ticketing – Football ticketing is yet again a concern for the student body. At yesterday's AABD meeting the student representative made a preliminary statement requesting the Board members give due consideration to a proposal we will offer modifying ticketing at the February 4th meeting. Our proposal will reflect more closely the faculty/staff ticketing process.

Gun Bill – The Student Government Association is gathering data through polling in regards to the Gun Bill that is being circulated in the state legislature, and we fully intend to lobby our representatives on the issue. We currently have a November meeting scheduled with Senator Seabaugh who chairs the committee.

Gmail – Last semester we approached EITS about changing UGA's email system. Our timing was great when we spoke to them because they were thinking of a similar change. As of August 2008 there are 41,000 active MyID's, 17,000 of the active ID's are forwarded to alternative email systems. We are currently working with EITS to help give student input into their evaluation of the email system. Tonight, EITS will make a presentation to the Society for Management Information Systems about the evaluation committee.

Budget Cuts – Our overall concern results from what we feel is a lack of awareness on behalf of the student body of the issue; this is inherently positive as we hardly recognize the impact of the cuts. However, it will also inhibit us from moving forward. Thus, we are launching a PR campaign (hopefully within the next week) for the sole purpose of raising awareness. Members of the GA Tech Student Government are also visiting us on Sunday to discuss a state-wide plan of action.

SLC Hours – Our biggest complaint from the students--and thus our biggest concern--is the alteration of the SLC hours, as it is no longer a 24-hour service. Whether the SLC, the Science Library, or otherwise, it is imperative that students have the academic environment they deserve and that which was listed in the Report of the Task Force on General Education and Student Learning.