Baylor Model Organization of American States

Team Roster

Officers
Lauren Kim, Rapporteur
Ross Melanighin, Rapporteur
Parker Wooden, Rapporteur

Delegation of the Republic of Haiti
Mecia Flores, Head Delegate
May Acassi, Deputy Delegate
Marissa Rosario, Deputy Delegate
Andrew Shelton, Alternate Delegate
Kelsey Browning, Alternate Delegate
Aranna Gomez, Alternate Delegate
Clayton Jelinek, Alternate Delegate
Gaby McCormack, Alternate Delegate
Rafael Silva Ramirez, Alternate Delegate

Faculty Advisor
Dr. Joan Supplee

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Baylor MOAS in Washington D.C.

Thirteen members of Baylor's MOAS team travelled to Washington, D.C. from 20 March to 27 March to participate in the Washington Model Organization of American States (WMOAS) hosted by the Organization of American States (OAS) and the Institute for Diplomatic Dialogue in the Americas. Twenty-eight teams from the United States, Guatemala, Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador, Canada and Argentina debated resolutions in five committees and worked through a crisis scenario that involved a border crisis between Brazil and its neighbors over the spread of the Zika virus. Lauren Kim (Senior, Political Science, Riverside, CA) served as Rapporteur on the General Committee and met the new OAS Secretary General Luis Almagro.

At the model, the team had seven resolutions approved by the faculty board with the majority of those passed in committee by acclamation. Students wrote on topics as diverse as establishing special missions to improve education, creating a food desert map of the Americas, establishing an Inter-American skilled labor cooperative, improving the OAS capacity to support peace accords in the Americas, creating rapid response teams to aid in natural disasters and projects to reduce discrimination and enhance social justice. At this year's model, three Baylor students served as rapporteurs on the General Committee (Lauren Kim), the Political and Juridical Committee (Ross McLaughlin, Sophomore, Political Science, Argyle, TX) and the Integral Development Committee. (Parker Wooden, Freshman, History, Houston). Members of the Haitian Delegation included: Mucia Flores, Head Delegate (Junior, Political Science/Great Texts, Laredo), Arianna Gomez, (Sophomore, Community Health, Piedras Negras, Mexico), Kelsey Shelton (Senior, International Studies, Highland, CA), Rafael Silva Ramirez, (Freshman, International Studies, Queretaro, Mexico), May Atassi (Sophomore, Finance, Homs, Syria), Clayton Jelinek, (Sophomore, Political Science, Broken Arrow, OK), Marissa Rosario (Junior, Political Science, Waco, TX), Sean Browning (Senior, Medical Humanities, Plano, TX), Andrew Salinas (Senior, History, Houston, TX), and Gaby McCormack, (Junior, International Studies, Tuscon, AZ) who was elected as the chair of the Special Committee for the 2017 Model.

Presentation

Introduction: Kelsey Shelton
About Position Papers: Kelsey Shelton
About Resolutions: May Atassi
Structure of the MOAS Class: Parker Wooden
Public Speaking: Clayton Jelinek
Caucusing: Marissa Rosario
Networking and Negotiation: Rafael Silva Ramirez
First Experience in Committee: Lauren Kim
Role of the Rapporteur: Ross McLaughlin
Role of the Head Delegate and General Committee: Mucia Flores
General Committee, Crisis Scenario: Arianna Gomez
First Committee, Political and Juridical Affairs: Kelsey Shelton
Second Committee, Multidimensional Security: May Atassi
Third Committee, Integral Development: Sean Browning
Special Committee, Administration and Finance: Gaby McCormack
Elections: Gaby McCormack
OAS and Meeting the Secretary General: Lauren Kim
Senate Foreign Relations Committee Briefing: Clayton Jelinek
Haitian Mission to the OAS Briefing: Andrew Salinas
What is Next?

ESMOAS: Andrew Salinas
MOEA: Mucia Flores
Conclusion: Mucia Flores