



## STUDENT SENATE AGENDA

November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Plains Room/Virtual

1. **Call to Order** *President Willprecht called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m.*
2. **Roll Call** *Administrative Assistant Warnecke took roll call.*
3. **Approval of Minutes** (November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023) *Senator Klindt moved to approve the minutes from November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Senator Weshnevski seconded. Motion carries.*
4. **Guest Speaker** *No Guest Speaker today.*
5. **New Business/Presentations**
  - Senate Apparel
    - *The order has been put in and is estimated to be done around December 11<sup>th</sup>. The price is estimated to be around \$44, and senators will pay half which is \$22.*
  - Fundraising Application
    - *The Automotive Technology Club wants to do two fundraisers. One is to sell World's Finest Chocolates to friends/family. The other fundraiser is to let students pay \$5 to have one minute to smash a donated vehicle that is beyond repair. Participants will follow all safety protocols by wearing safety glasses and gloves. All glass and fluids will be removed from the vehicle prior to the event. This would be held in the football field parking lot.*
    - *We would like to contact them to see if they would have the participants sign a waiver form in case of injury.*
    - *Senator Birnbaum moved to approve the Automotive Technology Club World's Finest Chocolate Fundraiser. Senator Weshnevski seconded. Motion carries.*
    - *Senator Parks moved to approve the Automotive Technology Club Car Smashing Fundraiser as long as they have participants sign a waiver in case of injury. Senator Birnbaum seconded. Motion carries.*
  - NDSA Receipts
    - *Have not gotten reimbursement from October's NDSA.*
    - *The receipts from the DSU NDSA need to be turned in to Heather.*
  - Club Dismissal
    - *Heather goes through and makes sure all clubs on campus are following their requirements, doing their service-learning project, fundraising is*

*approved, etc. If a club has not been any of these, Heather sees if they are going to inactive or not, and then Senate votes to make them inactive and no longer a club on campus to help keep active ones for students to be involved in more available.*

- *The Civil Technology Club and Drone Club will be combining with the CDT Club. They will still be able to do their own things within each club activity, but they are mainly joining together for fundraising reasons.*
- *OTA Club is being dissolved because they haven't had a lot of activity in a few years. They would like this to be brought back in the future.*
- *Tabletop Club is run by Chef BJ, and there was only one person interested this year, so he felt it would be better to dissolve it.*
- *The ICT Club doesn't have any active membership at the moment.*
- *Senato Birnbaum moved to dissolve the OTA, TT, and ICT Clubs, Senator Weshnevski. Motion carries.*
- *Administrative Assistant Warnecke moved to dissolve the Civil Technology and Drone Clubs and combine them with the CDT Club. Senator Weshnevski seconded. Motion carries.*

**6. Programs** *No Programs today.*

**7. Old Business** *No Old Business today.*

**8. Student Concerns/Updates**

- *Students still want Hot Apple Cider in the Wildcat Dining Hall.*
- *There was a request for there to be a Black Union from a student. Senator Weshnevski will ask for more information from the students for the next meeting.*
- *There have been concerns about there being low parking.*
- *There have been complaints about the heating and Wi-Fi in the Roberston Hall. Senator Parks suggested that the students bring up the heating issue to their RAs and the Wi-Fi problem to IT Services.*
- *In Walton, there are no paper towels. Senator Klindt said that it feels inconsiderate to use the hand dryer late at night.*
- *There is beef in Taco Cat now.*

**9. Reports**

- **Executive Team Reports**
  - President Willprecht
    - *Nothing to report.*
  - Vice President Larson
    - NDSA Headcount

- *December NDSA is on zoom, not confirmed if it's Friday night on the 8<sup>th</sup>, or Saturday morning on the 9<sup>th</sup>. It is required for everyone to be there. We will meet in the Plains Room.*
  - Admin. Assistant Warnecke
    - *Nothing to report.*
- **Advisor Report**
  - *The staff at the library appreciate our input. There will be a poster hung up around campus to help brainstorm ideas for the remodeling of the library.*
  - *Student senate assessment needs to be done to earn scholarships for student senate.*
  - *Heather wanted to thank us for the work we've done this year.*
- **CAB – Senator Birnbaum**
  - *Swing Dancing is Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Paint Night is Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> from 7p.m.-9 p.m. Skate Night/Hockey is Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 p.m. Game Night is Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.*
- **Residential Life – Admin. Assistant Warnecke**
  - *Will be announcing the new Apartment Manager at the next meeting. Next meeting is Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at 8 p.m.*
- **NDSCS Team Reports**
  - Management Team ----- President Willprecht
    - *Discussed the students not going home during Thanksgiving break. Thought about having a Thanksgiving dinner on Thanksgiving. We now have designated spots for trailers. 70% of students dropped out this year at NDSCS. The remodeling of the library was discussed, and they are currently looking for prices/ideas. Discussed reopening one of the closed dorms. The Alumni mentioned that they aren't sure if students are aware that they can apply for grants through the Alumni. Zoom meetings will now be able to go over 30 minutes. They are revising policies of the campus because they feel that they are outdated. Turf will be put down on the football field. There is a soccer team being started on campus. A large amount of money was given to Fargo NDSCS Nursing Department. There will be a thank you for dining services, and they will make the food for dining services. The next meeting is December 11<sup>th</sup> at 8 a.m.*
  - Diversity & Equity Team ----- Senator Makuach
    - *Next meeting is December 5<sup>th</sup> at noon.*
  - Parking Appeals Team ----- Senator Maudal
    - *Overtured all appeals. Next meeting is Wednesday at noon.*
  - Safety Committee ----- Senator Klindt

- *Next meeting is Dec 12<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m.*
  - Student Recognition & Graduation ----- Open
    - *Nothing to report.*
- **NDCS Student Senate Committee Reports**
  - Agawasio ----- Senator Hoff
    - *Nothing to report.*
  - Community Engagement ----- Senator Weshnevski
    - *Nothing to report.*
  - Club Bylaws and Constitution ----- Admin. Assistant Warnecke
    - *At our last meeting, we spoke with Matt and talked to him about some questions we had about the Bylaws and cleared some things up. We talked about the Treasurer position because we're currently wanting to revamp the position and what that position does. I talked to the NDSA President and got some ideas from him as well. We will hopefully get the Bylaws approved at the start of next year. Next meeting is Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m.*
  - Tabling ----- Vice President Larson
    - *Everyone is signed up for tabling. There are no tabling hours required in December. Next meeting is Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m.*
- **North Dakota Student Association**
  - IAC
    - *Discussed the Bylaws and Constitution and Evaluation 35. Discussed that the reimbursement of the buffet would be at \$8.21 per person with 8 extra people. There was some discussion on the revision of the constitution and bylaws. The NDSA fees was a topic that was gone over. The current student fee is 4 cents, and they want to raise it to 6 cents. This was brought to the general assembly.*
  - SLAC
    - *There was a Resolution in Support of NDUS Diversity Tuition Waivers. This was made in response to the civil complaints towards BSC and then UND, which were directed towards the education department. Just wanted it out there that we support diversity tuition waivers in NDUS institutions. This resolution was passed to the GA. We talked about resolution policy which were policies and procedures for writing resolutions. This was sent back to the PAR Taskforce to be reviewed and then to be sent to IAC afterwards. We discussed OERs again and decided that some more research was needed on this and tabled the discussion. We talked about SLAC accessibility and thought of maybe having a short quick explanation of SLAC at the first NDSA meeting. There was a discussion on NDSA representation where we talked about having an NDSA orientation document/handbook for first time*

*senators. We want to get more attendance at NDSA and were wondering if students know about NDSA. For meetings that we don't have a lot to discuss, we could do a virtual meeting. This idea was shot down because of the thought of losing institutional representation. During welcome week, we could possibly have a table set up for NDSA so we could spread awareness of these meetings within the student bodies. This discussion and the ideas that were brought up were moved to the Student Outreach Taskforce.*

- SAC
  - *The State Board of Higher Education is looking at the Tik Tok ban on campuses. Organizations want to use it as a marketing place, but the board doesn't want to remove it. The Envision 2035 group looks at current kindergarteners and what education will look like when they reach college. Discussed wellness centers being open to students who are enrolled at one campus, but then working at another campus. We talked about what each campus does for finals week.*
- GA
  - *We did not meet quorum, so we weren't able to vote on anything. The State Board of Higher Education discussed the Tik Tok ban and how organizations want to use it for marketing. There was a proposal to change the NDSA student fee from 4 cents to 6 cents. Raising it to 8 cents was discussed but the conclusion was that there was no need for the extra 2 cents and 6 cents was sufficient. Was a resolution from SLAC about being in support of diversity tuition waivers. It was discussed that there isn't a huge pressure on this topic at the moment as the civil complaints are recent, but it would benefit to get the resolution approved sooner than later.*
- Breakout Sessions
  - *Nothing to report.*

#### **10. Announcements**

- *Holiday Party Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup> 5-7 p.m. at Pizza Ranch*

**11. Adjournment** *Senator Birnbaum moved to adjourn. Senator Weshnevski seconded. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.*