



STUDENT SENATE AGENDA

April 8, 2024

Plains Room/Virtual

1. **Call to Order** *President Willprecht called the meeting to order at 5:55 p.m.*
2. **Roll Call** *Administrative Assistant Warnecke took roll call.*
3. **Approval of Minutes** (March 18, 2024) *Senator Weshnevski motioned to approve the minutes of March 18, 2024. Senator Maudal seconded.*
4. **Guest Speaker** *No Guest Speaker today.*
5. **New Business/Presentations**
 - Student Senate Budget
 - *Handed out to Senators to let them read through.*
 - Service Learning Project
 - *Decided we will do the Campus Clean-Up. Could be done on Monday, April 29th or Wednesday, May 1st. Service Learning Project will be Wednesday, May 1st at 5 p.m.*
 - Fourth Executive Position
 - *At the last meeting it was brought up that the Senate should bring the Treasurer position back or have a fourth executive position. This will not be able to happen this year, but it could be something for next year's executive team to bring forward next year. We do not want to bring on a position that does not do much weekly. If we go forward with this position, there needs to be enough work for it like the current executive positions. The Treasurer Position was dissolved for this year, so it cannot be brought back again until next year.*
 - Nominations
 - *Senator Hoff nominated Senator Maudal for President. Senator Maudal accepted.*
 - *Senator Klindt nominated Senator Hoff for President. Senator Hoff accepted.*
 - *Vice President Larson nominated himself for President.*
 - *Senator Klindt nominated Senator Hollingsworth for Vice President. Senator Hollingsworth accepted.*
 - *Senator Hollingsworth nominated Vice President Larson for Vice President. Vice President Larson accepted.*

- *Senator Klindt nominated Senator Martinson for Vice President. Senator Martinson accepted.*
- *Vice President Larson nominated Senator Maudal for Vice President. Senator Maudal accepted.*
- *Senator Weshnevski nominated Senator Bohnestingl for Administrative Assistant. Senator Bohnestingl accepted.*
- *Senator Hoff nominated Senator Hollingsworth for Administrative Assistant. Senator Hollingsworth accepted.*
- *Senator Klindt nominated Senator Maudal for Administrative Assistant. Senator Maudal accepted.*
- *Senator Martinson nominated Senator Hoff for Administrative Assistant. Senator Hoff declined.*
- *Senator Maudal nominated Vice President Larson for Administrative Assistant. Vice President Larson declined.*
- *Anyone that will not be at the meeting next week can give a small speech on why they want to run for these positions.*
- *Members who will not be at the next meeting have the opportunity to speak on why they want to run for the positions for which they were nominated.*
- April 22nd Meeting Time
 - *We will not have quorum due to the Science of Leadership meeting. We want to do the meeting earlier that day or in another week. Student Senate will meet on Wednesday, May 1st at 6:15 p.m.*

6. Programs *No Programs today.*

7. Old Business *No Old Business today.*

8. Student Concerns/Updates

- *The Wi-Fi problem on third floor Robertson was resolved.*
- *The concern about wanting ice machines in the dining hall will be brought up at the next Dining Services meeting.*

9. Reports

- **Executive Team Reports**

- President Willprecht

- Senator Discussion

- *Senator Parks is up for discussion as she now has three unexcused absences as well as absences from tabling and committee meetings. The bylaws state that once a senator has three unexcused absences, the senator will be up for*

discussion and may be removed by a majority vote of the Student Senate.

- *Senator Klindt motioned to remove Senator Parks from the board. Vice President Larson seconded. The board voted and approved. Motion carries.*

- Vice President Larson

- UND NDSA

- *On Friday, April 12th, Senator will be leaving the Student Center around 2 p.m. and will get to UND around 4 p.m.*

- Admin Assistant Warnecke

- *Nothing to report.*

- **Advisor Report**

- *Confirmed Agawasio Day work shifts.*
 - *Need to vote on what we will be having for the Fargo meeting. Decided on Noodles & Co. Heather will get everyone's orders after the meeting. Student Senate meet at the Student Center at 5 p.m. to leave for the Fargo meeting at the Fargo NDSCS Campus.*

- **CAB – Senator Birnbaum**

- *Swing & Line is in the Alley from 7 p.m.-9 p.m. on Monday, April 8th. Game Night is in the Alley/Den at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 9th. Bowling Night is at Terrace Lanes from 8 p.m.-11 p.m. on Thursday, April 11th.*

- **Residential Life – Admin. Assistant Warnecke**

- *Health & Safeties are this week. RAs are planning programs for this month. Next meeting is Monday, April 8th at 8 p.m.*

- **NDSCS Team Reports**

- Dining Services ----- Senator Klindt

- *Now that to-go boxes are not being used anymore, Grab & Go is being used more frequently. There will be more things added to the Grab & Go's. Next meet is April 10th at 8 a.m. Vice President Larson has joined this committee.*

- Management Team ----- Admin. Assistant Warnecke

- *Legislative Priorities brought up with the topic of the library. Summer and Fall registration are very good this year. It is currently higher than it was last year. Discussed the Minnesota North Star Promise and how other institutions within the NDUS system are thinking of putting forward something similar. NDSCS decided that we need to do a better job of promoting what we already have. Next meeting is May 21st at 8 a.m.*

- Diversity & Equity Team ----- Senator Makuach

- *Discussed how much they have used in their budget so far and how much is left. They ordered more tampons and pads for our dispensers in Fargo and Wahpeton. Pride in the Park is on August 10, 2024, and they will be getting the gold level package that is*

worth \$2,500. The Diversity and Equity Team wants to do something for Agawasia Day to represent Diversity and Equity, such as giving out some popcorn bags or another idea. Talked about Safe Zone Selfies for the months of June for Pride Month, August for Pride in the Park, and October for Nation Coming Out Day. They would have workers and students taking pictures with our pride shirts on to compile pictures for a poster to show students how they have a lot of people on campus that are safe to talk to. The ACHA NCHA survey was discussed, and it was found out that NDSCS was one of the best response rates in the nation. There are some students and athletes who are not able to afford higher meal plans and are unable to eat more than two meals a day. These individuals are upset even more since to-go boxes were taken away. Someone brought up having rainbow cords for graduation.

- *The rainbow cords should be something that is asked about to the students while Senators are tabling. It may not be very popular within our student demographic, but we can look into other colleges and see what they have done in the past year. Next meeting is May 7th at noon.*
- Parking Appeals Team ----- Senator Maudal
 - *Had two appeals and voided both. Next meeting is Thursday, April 11th at 11 a.m.*
- Safety Committee ----- Senator Klindt
 - *Active shooter training took place on the 15th and the 22nd. FM will be painting the parking lines after graduation. There was a complaint about how there is no lighting behind the Student Center. They will be adding a solar light to be hung there. Next meeting is June 18th at 2 p.m.*
- Strategic & Accreditation Planning Team ---- Senator Birnbaum
 - *Nothing to report. Next meeting is April 23rd at 3 p.m.*
- **NDSCS Student Senate Committee Reports**
 - Agawasia ----- Senator Hoff
 - *Nothing to report. No next meeting planned.*
 - Community Engagement ----- Senator Weshnevski
 - *Our service-learning project will be on Wednesday, May 1st at 5 p.m.*
 - Club Bylaws and Constitution ----- President Willprecht
 - *Nothing to report.*
 - Marketing Committee ----- Senator Parks
 - *Virtual meeting on April 5th. Decided that they wanted to start. Next meeting is Monday, April 22nd at 1 p.m.*
 - Tabling ----- Vice President Larson

- *Made sure that everyone had tabled on time. Next meeting is Thursday, April 11th at 3 p.m.*
- **North Dakota Student Association**
 - IAC
 - *They went through the bylaw changes and nitpicked through everything. Discussed different marketing for NDSA at institutions. They threw around some ideas but did not decide on anything. Looked at the budget for NDSA and broke down everything to try and see where they could spend more or what that money could go towards.*
 - SLAC
 - *Lisa Johnson gave an OER update and let us know that they have organized a statewide OER conference and are inviting students to attend. This is in Bismarck, ND on April 15th. An ND Higher Education Day was brought up because it would give students and senators a chance to interact with legislators. There was a resolution in Support of Mirroring State Law Pertaining to Medical Marijuana on Campuses. NDSA has been looking for a stance on medical marijuana as an institution. A resolution in Support of Alternative Pathways to Teacher Licensure was created in response to the teacher shortage in North Dakota. This is a way to ensure that student teacher candidates could be hired by the school they are teacher candidates at. They would sign a contract saying they would be willing to work at that school in the position they are a teacher candidate for. A resolution Pertaining to Gun Carry on Campuses was in opposition to open gun carry on NDUS college campuses. This just restates the NDSA's opinion in case something was to change during the upcoming legislative session. A resolution Pertaining to Open Educational Resources was created to help develop action plans for the utilization and implementation of OERs. There are not a lot of OERs available to students and implementing them would push free and paid resources to produce better content. Most OERs are seen in Gen Ed courses, but they are looking to have them available in nursing, business, computer science, etc. A resolution in Opposition to the Expansion of Sports Betting was brought forward as there have been issues with students developing gambling addictions. Sports betting is illegal in North Dakota and there have been some ideas about banning it from NDUS networks. All resolutions passed to the General Assembly. The PAR Taskforce wanted to extend their deadline, but it was decided that it would be better as a special committee so that there would be no deadline.*
 - SAC

- *Discussed NDSA recruitment baskets and what could be included in them. For example, pizza cutters, stickers, ice scrapers, frisbees, etc. The Virtual Attendance Program is being abused and was amended. The policy now states that forms must be sent in from head delegates in order to have the privilege of attending or voting online. The NDUS Humanities Curriculum resolution is in support of humanities credits advertised and taught at any NDUS institution. This resolution was sent to the General Assembly. An Attendance-Based Grading resolution is in the process of being written. There was a resolution in support of using AI as a tool rather than solution in classrooms.*
- GA
 - *There was a first reading for both the constitutional changes and the budget, which will be voted on at the next NDSA. There was a change to the online attendance policy that will be voted on at the next NDSA. The Policy, Advocacy, and Research Taskforce was changed to a special committee so it will not be ending at the end of the year. All proposed resolutions passed. Katie Kemple from UND was awarded Outstanding Officer, Kiara Radke from VCSU was awarded Outstanding Head Delegate. Hayden Larson from NDSCS and Carter Gill from VCSU were awarded Most Dedicated Delegates. Greg Stemens was awarded Student Advocate. Sadie Hansen from UND was awarded NDSA Legacy. The first round of nominations for executive positions was in March, delegates have the chance to be nominated or withdraw their nominations at the UND NDSA.*
 - Breakout Sessions
 - *Discussed the executive positions and how they want more two year students to try to run for executive positions on the NDSA board.*

10. Announcements

- Dreams Auction – Friday, April 12th
- UND NDSA – Friday, April 12th and Saturday, April 13th
- Fargo Meeting – Monday, April 15th
- End Of Year Party – Monday, April 29th
- Agawasie Day – Thursday, May 2nd
- Student Recognition Ceremony – Thursday, May 9th
- Graduation – Friday, May 10th

11. Adjournment

- *Senator Klindt motioned to adjourn the meeting. Senator Weshnevski seconded. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.*