The regular weekly meeting of Dakota State University’s Student Association Senate was held on Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 8:04 pm in the Regents room.

Vice President Johnson motioned to approve the minutes. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed.

PR Chair Lucas motioned to approve the agenda. Senator Harmer seconded. The motion passed.

Carl Peterson, a representative from the Native American Student Association, spoke during open forum. He attended the SRO information session earlier that day and wanted emails about the SRO Audit process sent out more aggressively to club presidents and officers as club officers are unaware of the importance of becoming an SRO. Professor Cody Welu suggesting informing clubs that the funding was for next year and College of Arts and Sciences Representative Guillory recommended having Amanda Parpart send out an email to clubs informing them that she would no longer be handling their funding. Kenny Olson, a representative of the Drama Club, also attended the SRO information session. He asked since there is a drama club SRO and IO, could the clubs be combined into one IO. Senator Harmer replied that he wished to speak with the Drama Club advisor about that very issue.

Administrative Assistant Oeltjenbruns reported that she has not heard back from Power Promotions on the “Senator of the Year” plaque.

PR Chair Lucas reported that the PR Committee collaborated with the SRO Audit Committee to create SRO information sessions and had a few SROs stop in and ask questions. The Student Senate banner should be hung up on Thursday. The monthly poster for November is hung up in the Trojan Center, and there is hope to add a business report next month. PR Chair Lucas is still working on the general use poster. The eleven step SRO process is now on the Student Senate website. Salaries of the Executive Council should also be on the website, but President Williams suggested publishing the entire Senate budget on the website under the Senate Documents page. PR Chair Lucas is still waiting to hear back from a couple of clubs for the clubs and organizations page.
Vice President Johnson reported that he, among others, attended Student Federation in Aberdeen. The $404 withdrawal for the International Club’s bowling night went through the budget along with the polos and jackets for new Senators. The current budget is about $12,000 without salaries. The winter retreat has not gone through yet, but the receipts will be handed in tomorrow. There are also plans to publish the GAF budget with line items next year. Vice President Johnson hopes to meet with Dr. Bennett, the Dean of College of Business and Information Systems, within the first two weeks of next semester.

President Williams reported that he has been working on constitutional amendments and bylaw amendments with the Constitutional Revision Committee. He also plans to send a thank you card to the Sundog Café for letting Senate host the winter retreat there. There will be no office hours for the month of December. Per Senator Harmer’s motion in the previous meeting, the receipts from the retreat must be approved by Senate. Senator Garippo motioned to move the winter retreat receipt approval to the next meeting. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion was rescinded. The pizza from Pizza Ranch was bought by Administrative Assistant Oeltjenbruns. PR Chair Lucas motioned to approve the Pizza Ranch receipt. Senator Harmer seconded. The motion passed. The Sundog Café tab was paid for by President Williams. PR Chair Lucas motioned to approve the Sundog Café receipt. Graduate Representative Bolt seconded. The motion passed.

The PR Committee reported that an SRO information session was held today, and more are planned for January.

SRO Audit Committee reported that 13 SRO applications and 3 constitutions are in. Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences (BCCCS) Representative Vertullo and PR Chair Lucas held the information session today. They reported the session went well and about 10 clubs showed up. Everyone seemed very receptive to the new process and appreciated how streamlined it was. They asked a lot of questions about the process, GAF, and IOs. BCCCS Representative Vertullo showed them the Student Senate website and GAF web page. A couple SROs also stopped into office hours from 1-5pm. Senator Harmer will be speaking with Amanda Parpart to get an email sent out to the SRO officers and speak to the Drama Club Advisor.

The Constitutional Revision Committee reported they met to approve amendments.

The Auxiliary Services Functional Areas Committee, which involves areas of Student Affairs such as the bookstore, Residence Life, Card Services, etc., reported they are accessing and reviewing the different areas of Student Affairs.
The Parking Committee reported they went over parking ticket appeals and discussed that students were not familiar with parking regulations as a lot of tickets were issued to students parked in red spaces. All the tickets that were issued over the weekend were voided because there was a miscommunication issue between the people ticketing and administration. There is a plan to inform students of parking regulations and informing them that the next time they get a ticket, it may not be voided. The committee also approved a statement for getting parking permits refunded and having a half-off parking permit for next semester. The recommendation was brought forward to DSU. BCCCS Representative Vertullo and PR Chair Lucas were proxies for Vice President Johnson and Senator Harmer respectively.

CybHER Club approached the Senate to be granted approval and become an SRO. The club has also been informed that any GAF money they receive cannot be used on outreach projects. Senator Harmer motioned to approve CybHER Club as an SRO. Graduate Representative Bolt seconded. The motion passed.

CybHER Club presented to the Senate about their club.

The Student Federation approved the bylaw amendments that FED officers cannot hold a South Dakota Legislative office. The FED Director will also not be seeking reimbursement for the ALEC conference as the cost was negligible and the conference didn’t benefit him. FED wants to make a committee to improve FED meetings and the FED constitution. The FED Chair acknowledged the issues and had one-on-one meetings with each university to help improve FED meetings. SHED will be in the second week of February, but the University of South Dakota President’s inauguration is the same week, so the dates may be switched. There were talks of hosting a breakfast for legislatures. As for the freedom-of-speech testimony, the FED Director informed FED that the testimony was submitted to BOR two weeks ago. USD was the only university that submitted amendments as the deadline was never communicated. All FED legislature requires a unanimous vote, and the FED Director interpreted a university not responding to his email as approval and based his decision on one from last year. The FED constitution is now being amended to fix these issues and stop this situation from happening again. Senator Garippo motioned to create a five-person committee to draft a response on the previous FED meeting and possible FED Director impeachment for what happened at the last FED meeting. Senator Harmer seconded. Senator Harmer motioned to amend the motion to create a five-person committee to draft a response and possible impeachment for what happened at FED. Senator Garippo seconded. The motion passed. Vice President Johnson appointed BCCCS Representative Vertullo, Senator Garippo, Senator Alholinna,
Senator Van Driel, and Senator Harmer to the committee. Senator Harmer motioned to approve the appointments. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed. FED requested a nomination for a DSU student representative for the FED Bylaw Committee. Senator Garippo motioned to nominate Senator Harmer to the Student Federation Bylaw Committee. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed. Senator Harmer accepted the nomination.

Over the weekend, there was snow removal. Director of Facilities Management Corey Braskamp didn’t approve the snow removal or the tickets. All the tickets were voided, and an email will be sent out to the students affected informing them no further action was needed on their part. The issue was brought up that students weren’t aware that parking rules were enforced 24/7. This miscommunication issue should be brought up at the next committee meeting. Last year, the Senate wanted to change the 24/7 rule enforcement all over campus to 24/7 rule enforcement for certain spots such as the parking spots for the President and Resident Directors. The Senate may possibly send out an all student email or survey to help push parking changes. Senator Harmer motioned to invite Corey Braskamp to the next Senate meeting to discuss this issue with him. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed.

The new bylaw 18-05-B Chief of Staff bylaw amendment had its first reading. Senator Garippo motioned to waive the reading of 18-05-B. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed. Senator Harmer motioned to move 18-05-B on to the Constitutional Revision Committee. Vice President Johnson seconded. The motion passed.

18-01-C SRO Funding Committee was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and no amendments were made. Senator Garippo motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed. 18-01-B SRO Funding Committee Composition was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and no amendments were made. Senator Harmer motioned to pass the bylaw to the second reading. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed.

18-02-C Student Federation Resolution Changes was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and made the amendment of changing the phrase “time-sensitive issue” to “declare emergency”. Senator Harmer motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed.
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18-03-C Grammar Changes was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and no amendments were made. Senator Harmer motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. Graduate Representative Bolt seconded. The motion passed.

18-04-C Finance Chair was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and made the amendment of adding duties such as serving as the chair of the Finance Committee. Vice President Johnson motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. Senator Harmer seconded. The motion passed. 18-02-B Finance Committee was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and no amendments were made. Vice President Johnson motioned to waive the reading of 18-02-B. Senator Harmer seconded. The motion passed. Senator Harmer motioned to pass the bylaw to the second reading. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed.

18-05-C Vice President was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and no amendments were made. Vice President Johnson motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. Graduate Representative Bolt seconded. The motion passed. 18-04-B Vice President Chair Duties was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and no amendments were made. College of Arts and Sciences Representative Guillory motioned to waive the reading of all bylaw amendments. Senator Van Driel seconded. The motion passed. Senator Harmer motioned to pass the bylaw to the second reading. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed.

18-06-C Bylaw Submission Timeframe was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and made an amendment to change the phrase “bylaw” to “bylaw amendment”. BCCCS Representative Vertullo motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. Graduate Representative Bolt seconded. The motion passed.

18-07-C Disposition Clarification was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and made the amendment to exclude proxies in the vote. Senator Harmer motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. Graduate Representative Bolt seconded. The motion passed.

18-08-C Purpose Clarification was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and no amendments were made. Senator Harmer motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. Graduate Representative Bolt seconded. The motion passed.
18-09-C Minutes Clarification was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and made the amendment of striking the phrase “Robert’s Rules of Order”. Senator Harmer motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. Graduate Representative Bolt seconded. The motion passed.

18-10-C Single Legislature was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and no amendments were made. Vice President Johnson motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. Senator Harmer seconded. The motion passed.

18-11-C Duties was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and amendments were made to include the duties of a college representative. Senator Harmer motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. Graduate Representative Bolt seconded. The motion passed.

18-12-C One Matter was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and no amendments were made. Vice President Johnson motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. Graduate Representative Bolt seconded. The motion passed.

18-13-C Bylaw Amendment Phrasing was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and no amendments were made. Graduate Representative Bolt motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed.

18-14-C Constitution Revision Phrasing was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and made amendments on vetoes and veto overrides. Graduate Representative Bolt motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. Senator Larsen seconded. The motion passed.

18-15-C Chief of Staff was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and made the amendment of making “Chief of Staff” third in the line of succession. Vice President Johnson motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. Graduate Representative Bolt seconded. The motion passed.

18-16-C Multiple Offices was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and no amendments were made. PR Chair Lucas motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. Vice President Johnson seconded. The motion passed.
18-17-C Senate Budget was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and made the amendments of adding a current budget section and to amend line-items. Senator Harmer motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed.

18-18-C Communications Director was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a Do Not Pass and no amendments were made. Senator Garippo motioned to pass the amendment to comment period. Senator Alholinna seconded. The motion passed.

18-03-B Autonomy Clause was recommended by the Constitutional Revision Committee with a pass and no amendments were made. Senator Harmer motioned to pass the bylaw to the second reading. Graduate Representative Bolt seconded. The motion passed.

The South Dakota School of Mines and Technology recently sent out a survey to their students asking for their opinion on concealed carry on campus. A survey will most likely be sent out to DSU students, either from the President’s office or Student Senate. Senator Garippo motioned to create a five-person committee, including the Vice President, to handle the issue of concealed carry. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed. Vice President Johnson appointed PR Chair Lucas, Senator Garippo, Senator Bigger, and Senator Alholinna. Senator Harmer motioned to approve the appointments. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed.

Senator Harmer would like the Senate to consider a paid plan for Slack as the message limit is quickly approaching.

Senate pictures will be on January 16 at 7:30pm.

The next meeting is on January 16, 2018.

Senator Van Driel motioned to adjourn the meeting. BCCCS Representative Vertullo seconded. The meeting adjourned at 10:59pm.