

The regular weekly meeting of Dakota State University's Student Association Senate was held on Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at 8:03pm in the Regents room.

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

Senator Harmer motioned to amend the agenda and add the first reading of Constitutional Amendment 18-06-C Bylaw Submission Timeframe, Constitutional Amendment 18-07-C Disposition Clarification, Constitutional Amendment 18-08-C Purpose Clarification, Constitutional Amendment 18-09-C Minutes Clarification, Constitutional Amendment 18-10-C Single Legislature, Constitutional Amendment 18-11-C Online Students, Constitutional Amendment 18-12-C One Matter, Constitutional Amendment 18-13-C Bylaw Amendment Phrasing, Constitutional Amendment 18-14-C Constitution Revision Phrasing, Constitutional Amendment 18-15-C Chief of Staff, Constitutional Amendment 18-16-C Multiple Offices, Constitutional Amendment 18-17-C Senate Budget, and Constitutional Amendment 18-18-C Communications Director to New Business. Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences Representative (BCCCS) Vertullo seconded. The motion passed. Senator Van Driel motioned to amend the agenda and add the Library Committee to Committees. Senator Harmer seconded. The motion passed. Senator Harmer motioned to approve the agenda. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed.

Administrative Assistant Oeltjenbruns reported the jackets and polos for the new Senators have arrived. She is also in the process of updating the "Senator of the Year" plaque.

PR Chair Lucas reported that the PR Committee met today. The November monthly poster is currently in the print shop. He is also working with Senator Harmer to find clubs that haven't been receiving emails from the SRO Audit Committee using social media and updating the SRO web page.

Vice President Johnson reported that he met with Dr. Josh Pauli about Student Senators being on the Research Committee. Dr. Pauli did not know that it was DSU policy that a Student Senator had to be on every committee. Dr. Pauli sent out an email to the research committee informing them of this. Vice President Johnson will also be meeting the School of Business and Information Systems Dean Dr. Dorine



Bennett sometime next week. Reservations have also been made for transportation and lodging for the Aberdeen FED trip next week.

President Williams reported that he has been working on planning the winter retreat. He contacted the Sundog Café about hosting the retreat there. He has also worked on Constitution amendments and the FED freedom of speech policy. The International Club also sent the Senate a thank you card for helping to fund their bowling night. They had about 55 students participate and will be at the next meeting to go in depth on how the event went and how the funds were spent.

College of Arts and Sciences Representative Guillory reported an Arts and Sciences professor hosted an Intercultural Development Industry (IDI) workshop using a grant. Twenty-five students and faculty were able to take an IDI assessment with a University of Minnesota professor. The professor hopes to have the event again next year.

BCCCS Representative Vertullo reported that he met with Dr. Hanson. The college is still looking for new faculty. There were two on-campus visits and offers were made to both candidates. Dr. Hanson hopes to do three more very soon. It was expressed that students should be informed of these on-campus visits, so they can meet these potentially new professors and see how they teach. Once the information is sent to BCCCS Representative Vertullo, he will collaborate with PR Chair Lucas to reach out to students. The Cyber Security Industry Advisory Board met at DSU. They talked about the effectiveness of DSU programs in preparing students for the industry. There were also talks of updating the curriculum to follow industry trends. Madlabs construction is still on track. It is almost completely enclosed, so construction should continue through the winter. The U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force were on campus. Their goal was to strengthen their cyber-military relationship with DSU. New graduate programs are in the works, including a Cyber Defense Doctorate, a master's with Cyber Defense Specialization, a Computer Science Doctorate in collaboration with South Dakota State University, a Doctorate in Software Engineering in collaboration with SDSU, and a Doctorate in Cyber Law in collaboration with the University of South Dakota. Dr. Hanson intends to take all of them to a Board of Regents meeting soon. Dr. Hanson is also planning a Cyber Law academic conference where students can publish their research. This conference is still in the early stages of planning.

Graduate School Representative Bolt reported that an information session was held for the DSU Computer Club tonight. The session covered the College of



Computing's master's degrees. There was a lot of student interested and the information session went well.

Senator Harmer motioned to have a five-minute recess. Senator Alholinna seconded. The motion was withdrawn.

SRO Audit Committee reported that no clubs have gotten their constitutions approved yet. The clubs are being reminded of the process they must complete, and two-thirds of their currently active members must approve their constitutions. Ten applications have been sent in and about two constitutions have been approved. There are plans to disband the DSU Funding Committee and create the SRO Funding Committee. This committee will consist of the same members except Amanda Parpart will be a non-voting advisor. The goal of this committee is for the Student Senate to have more say in the SRO funding process since the Senate already controls SRO funding. There were concerns from club officers that the SRO audit process was too complicated and not transparent. They reported feeling confused. Senator Harmer stated that any club officer that is confused on the process should come talk to him or email him. Once this transition is complete, the SROs should not have to do this again. PR Chair Lucas motioned to create information sessions for SROs on the SRO Audit process and have this be a joint effort between the PR Committee and the SRO Audit Committee. Graduate Representative Bolt seconded. The motion passed. President Williams informed the Senate that an average of eight clubs will have to present at each Senate meeting up until January 30 and if they know of any clubs that haven't been working on their application to do so.

The PR Committee reported an update on the business cards. PR Chair Lucas will be going to the print shop this week. The committee will be using the DSU faculty business card as a template and make the necessary changes per Senator Garippo's motion. The poster outreach project deadline has been pushed back indefinitely. Contact has been made with the Digital Arts and Design coordinators. They hope to work with Admissions and Career Services to advertise this to Digital Arts and Design majors as a portfolio builder. PR Chair Lucas is also working with Senator Harmer to improve transparency of the SRO audit process. PR Chair Lucas also wants to start an SRO spotlight next semester, similar to Senator spotlight.

The Implementation Council met two weeks ago. Jay Kahl, the head of Assessment Services, is leaving DSU. The council went through the Achieve It System, a software used for task tracking.



The Assessment Coordinating Committee met. The committee finished the assessment of Assessment Services, since Jay Kahl and Erin Kline are leaving Assessment Services.

The Library Committee reported that they met last week. They discussed a new library resource called Swank, a media streaming service free to DSU students. If a particular movie or TV show is wanted, a request has to be made to Vaughan Hennen. The library is now open on Saturdays from 2-6pm and Sundays from 6pm-12am. Renovations on the first floor has resulted in the moving of the art gallery. The library's first art presentation will be on Friday from 1-5pm.

The first readings of Constitutional amendments were read to the Senate. 18-01-C SRO Funding Committee added the SRO Funding Committee to Internal Committees and outlined its powers. 18-01-B SRO Funding Committee Composition explained the formation of the committee and its members.

- 18-02-C Student Federation Resolution Changes state that the Senate can add a resolution to the agenda that was not submitted in the time frame depending on if the resolution is time-sensitive.
- 18-03-C Grammar Changes changed the title of "PR Officer" to "PR Chair" and the phrase "a SRO" to "an SRO".
- 18-04-C Finance Chair removed the financial duties from the Vice President and gave them to the Finance Chair. It also defined the duties of the Finance Chair. 18-02-B explained the composition, duties, autonomy, and support of the Finance Committee.
- 18-05-C Vice President made the Vice President the Chair of the SRO Audit Committee and the SRO Funding Committee.
- 18-06-C Bylaw Submission Timeframe stated that resolutions should be brought three days before the Senate meeting and all bylaws shall be brought before the Senate by the Senator sponsoring it.
- 18-07-C Disposition Clarification stated that all bylaws and resolutions require a majority vote of the Senate and the signature of the President to pass.
- 18-08-C Purpose Clarification clarified the maintaining of Student Senators on all Institutional Committees and Ad Hoc Committees per DSU policy.



- 18-09-C Minutes Clarification stated that committee minutes are available upon request and removed the Robert's Rules standard for notes and minutes.
- 18-10-C Single Legislature stated that bylaw amendments and Constitution revisions shall only contain one subject, and multiple proposed amendments shall be voted on separately.
- 18-11-C Online Students required online students to be included in the Senate's discussions.
- 18-12-C One Matter stated a bylaw that has the same subject and purpose as a constitution revision can be considered as one matter and follow the Constitution revision process.
- 18-13-C Bylaw Amendment Phrasing stated that bylaws are now referred to as "bylaw amendments".
- 18-14-C Constitution Revision Phrasing required the last revised date and table of contents for the Constitution be updated whenever there is an amendment.
- 18-15-C Chief of Staff stated that the "Administrative Assistant" is now referred to as the "Chief of Staff".
- 18-16-C Multiple Offices stated that no officer shall hold more than one office concurrently but can serve multiple terms if re-elected. The Senator must also train their successor at no charge to the Senate.
- 18-17-C Senate Budget stated that the Senate shall approve the budget with a majority vote before it is brought to GAF.
- 18-18-C Communications Director stated that the "Public Relations Chair" is now referred to as the "Communications Director".
- 18-03-B Autonomy Clause stated that a committee shall have autonomy in its operation however, its decisions may be reviewed and altered by the Senate with a two-thirds vote.

The next Student Federation Meeting is on December 4. They will be discussing the freedom of speech testimony and vote on it. An amendment to the agenda will likely take place because the FED Director requested funds, so he could attend a conference in Washington DC called ALEC. President Williams stated that



travel to the conference most likely won't be funded. If it comes to a vote, President Williams and Vice President Johnson can hold their votes. Senator Harmer motioned that the FED representatives keep the Senate's discussion in mind during the next FED meeting. There was no second. The motion failed. Senator Garippo motioned to express to the Vice President and President that Senate members have vocalized that they do not support the allocation of funds to cover the cost of the FED director's attendance of ALEC. PR Chair Lucas seconded. Senator Harmer opposed the motion and stated the motion was invalid. President Williams stated that the motion was valid according to the Constitution. The motion passed.

A draft of the Student Federation Freedom of Speech Testimony was released. The Faculty Senate will be commenting on the bill in favor of the Chicago statement. Senator Garippo and Senator Alholinna stated that the Senate should wait to comment until the bill is released. Senator Harmer called the bill "too preemptive". According to the bill, the South Dakota Board of Regents doesn't believe South Dakota public universities have a "free speech problem". Their evidence, which was a survey sent out to all South Dakota public university students, was statistically invalid, as only 60 students out of 35,000 total students filled out the survey. Senator Garippo motioned that the Senate express their opinion to the FED representatives that it does not support a statement from FED that goes against proposed BOR policy changes. Senator Alholinna seconded. Senator Harmer opposed the motion and stated it gave the Senate "a temporary character". President Williams stated that the previous motion gave precedence, thereby it was valid. The motion passed.

Senator Harmer asked to debate whether the previous two motions violated the Constitution. President Williams agreed as long as there was a motion to limit the debate's length. Senator Harmer motioned to move the right of debate to end at 10pm. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed. Senator Harmer explained that the "last two motions gave Senate a temporary act of character in a motion". Such acts can only be done through resolutions, which cannot be completed before the next FED meeting. Graduate Representative Bolt motioned to rescind the first motion, to express to the Vice President and President that Senate members have vocalized that they do not support the allocation of funds to cover the cost of the FED director's attendance of ALEC. Senator Harmer seconded. The motion passed. Senator Harmer motioned to rescind the second motion, that the Senate express their opinion to the FED representatives that it does not support a statement from FED that goes against proposed BOR policy changes. Graduate Representative Bolt seconded. The motion passed. Senator Garippo motioned to have each Senator provide written feedback regarding the Student Federation freedom of speech testimony. Vice



President Johnson motioned to amend the motion to include a due date of December 3 at 5pm. Senator Harmer seconded. The motion passed.

At the last meeting, the Student Senate winter retreat was decided to take place on November 30. President Johnson motioned to change the date of the Student Senate winter retreat to December 1. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed. The Sundog Café was contacted and \$25 must be paid either in purchases or as a rental fee. Graduate Representative Bolt motioned for the Senate to order pizza for the retreat. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The motion passed. Senator Harmer motioned that Senate pay for food and non-alcoholic drinks for the retreat through a reimbursement to be approved by the senate. Garippo seconded. The motion passed.

Senator Harmer posted a list of possible agenda items for the next meeting in the Senate General Slack.

The next meeting is on December 5, 2018.

BCCCS Representative Vertullo motioned to adjourn the meeting. PR Chair Lucas seconded. The meeting adjourned at 10:16pm.