



Student Government Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 26, 2026

1) Opening of Meeting

- a) Call to order at 5:02 p.m.
- b) Pledge of Alliance
 - i) Conducted
- c) First roll call
 - President Das
 - Vice President Joshi
 - Executive Assistant Rasmussen
 - Chief Justice Shreya
 - Chair Gautum
 - Chair Alduri
 - Chair Ghimire
 - Chair Isingizwe
 - Senator Bhandari
 - Senator Mukit
 - Senator Nwankwo
 - Senator Osman
- e) Approval of today's agenda
 - Approved

2) Hearings

- a) Open Gallery
 - i) VP of Finance and Administration Dan Golombiecki
 - (1) FY26 Spring Update- Went over the budget and current financial situation for the university. A follow-up update is expected to be given in March/April.
 - (2) Chair Alduri, Senator Osman, VP Joshi, Senator Bhandari, Chair Ghimire, Senator Mukit, President Das, and Senator Lundblad provided questions and feedback to the presentation
- b) Senate Finance
 - i) No new hearings
- c) Internal Elections
 - i) No candidates

3) Plenary Session I

- a) Unfinished Business
 - i) None
- b) New Business
 - i) President Das presented the change in the constitution for the way that the members of the tech fee committee are selected. This will be added as a referendum to be voted on by the student body as long as the senate approves. Tech fee Chair Isingizwe provided his input on the proposal as it directly affects his committee.
 - ii) President Das also looked to the senate to get any input on initiatives that they would like to see accomplished during the remainder of the semester.
 - iii) Chair Isingizwe provided information from a gallery member that he was given regarding a free speech kiosk indoors on campus for non-students. Gallery member was inquiring whether or not that would be possible. Advisor Balicky gave context on university policy and why that may not be possible for a non-university organizations.

4) Officer Reports

- a) President
 - i) Attended a board meeting with Students United, where they expressed interest in amending their bylaws and offered me the opportunity to be involved in the process.
 - ii) Sent emails to all departments and student organizations requesting nominations and applications for senatorial candidates.
 - iii) Flyers are currently in the process of being printed and will be distributed in residence halls and key locations across campus.
 - iv) Currently drafting bills and resolutions for upcoming consideration.
- b) Vice President
 - i) Attended Lobby Day and worked with Students United and other senate members. Worked on an initiative for healthcare, tuition, and public safety on campus.
 - ii) Went to the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held today.
- c) Chief Justice
 - i) The Trial Bylaws have been prepared finally. Also, consulted with President Das and Adviser Peine for it. I also made a small change in our Judicial bylaws in the section of appointment and removal.
 - ii) Judicial committee had our meeting yesterday (February 25). We had an introductory session, explained their responsibilities and also we did a few case studies for previous cases handled by the Judicial committee. President Das had also joined the meeting and shared his experience and wisdoms to the members. Lastly, we amended both the Judicial bylaws and Trial Bylaws with the vote of approval from the Judicial Council members.
- d) Executive Assistant

- i) Reminder that if no report is received previous to the meeting, a report may not be given during committee reports.

5) Committee Reports

- a) Fee Allocation
 - i) No report
- b) Senate finance
 - i) We did not receive any new funding requests this week; however, we used the meeting time to review the pending requests and hold votes on the requests from Drama Club, Communication Studies Club, and Women in Cybersecurity. All three requests were unanimously approved by the committee.
 - ii) The SFC approved \$1,020.66 in funding for Drama Club's Spring performance of Mean Girls. These funds are to be used towards set building materials. We also approved \$2,275 in funding for the Communication Studies Club to be used for the licensing of Mean Girls, as they will be co-hosting this Spring performance with Drama Club. Lastly, we funded Women in Cybersecurity \$300 for their attendance at the Annual Women in Cybersecurity conference in March. This funding will be used for their travel, food, and lodging expenses associated with this conference.
- c) Tech Fee
 - i) No report
- d) Public Relations
 - i) No report
- e) Student Services
 - i) No report
- f) Campus Affairs
 - i) No report
- g) Constitution Committee
 - i) No report
- h) Election Committee
 - i) We sent out the Senatorial application form link to the student body on Monday. After that, we have been receiving applications for the position.
 - ii) We will have our first informational session in Zoom on March 9th, the Monday after spring break. Senator Mukit will be preparing the zoom link of the session and then we will send out the links to all the applicants next week.
- i) Senate Reports
 - i) Senator Lunblad: Started an initiative for informational posters so students can have a spot to get information. Also attended listening session and got to connect with leaders from different organizations and get feedback

- ii) Senator Nwankwo: Had meetings with Student first approach and how they are implementing that for students. Talked about challenges for students in higher education and how it is impacting students. There should not be any significant impact on students from the college restructuring. Had a meeting with interim dean of health and wellness and education and learning. The priorities is student focused. Initiative to get the graduate students to stay in the region rather than leaving after graduation.
- j) Students United
 - i) Scholarships and officer applications are open.

6) Plenary Session II

- a) Last call for business
 - i) None

7) Closing of Meeting

- a) Open Statement
 - i) Conducted
- b) Last Roll Call
 - President Das
 - Vice President Joshi
 - Executive Assistant Rasmussen
 - Chief Justice Shreya
 - Chair Gautum
 - Chair Ghimire
 - Chair Isingizwe
 - Senator Mukit
 - Senator Nwankwo
 - Senator Lundblad
 - Senator Osman
- c) Adjournment – Adjourned at 5:53 p.m.