St. Cloud State University

Student Government Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 16, 2025

1) Opening of Meeting

- a) Call to order at 5 p.m.
- b) Pledge of Alliance: Conducted
- c) First roll call
 - President Das
 - Vice President Joshi
 - Chief Justice Norling
 - Executive Assistant Monir
 - Chair Loidolt (PR)
 - Chair Alduri (Campus Affairs)
 - Chair Rasmussen (Legislative Affairs)
 - Chair Cenolli (Fee allocation)
 - Chair Burnell (Senate Finance)
 - Chair Isingwize (Tech Fee)
 - Chair & Parliamentarian Srikanta (Student Constitution)
 - Senator Hossain (Athletics)
 - Senator Osman (RHA)
 - Senator Nwanko (PR)
 - Senator Dalhberg (At-Large)
 - Senator Lundblad (At-Large)
 - Senator Garcia (At-Large)
- d) Approval of today's agenda: Approved

2) Hearings

- a) Open Gallery
 - i) Speaker: Tech Fee Chair Isingwize
 - (1) Proposed the creation of a Tech Fee Subcommittee to manage all SGA-related surveys. The goal is to maintain consistency across committees while supporting existing survey efforts.
 - (2) The subcommittee would handle survey design, data management, and ballot oversight while ensuring confidentiality and accessibility for senators.
 - (3) Collaboration planned with Chair Ghimire (Student Services) and the Public Relations Committee for design and outreach.

- (4) Discussed the need to draft a policy or document outlining confidentiality and responsibilities.
 - (a) Floor opened for questions & comments:
 - (i) Senator Osman supported the initiative, emphasizing that confidentiality is essential.
 - (ii) Senator Lundblad asked why a subcommittee is needed, expressing concern about its necessity.
 - (iii) President Das inquired whether this would function as an add-on committee or operate under Tech Fee. He also recommended integrating the subcommittee's function into Tech Fee bylaws and the SGA Constitution rather than creating a separate bylaw. Advised consulting with the Constitution Committee Chair for bylaw alignment.
 - (iv) Senator Dahlberg asked if the subcommittee would only design forms or also analyze and present collected data.
 - (v) Vice President Joshi clarified that the goal is to give SGA forms a unified look, ensure consistent data extraction, and maintain continuous monitoring. He also suggested beginning collaboration with the Student Services Committee and gathering feedback before expansion.
 - (vi) Chair Ghimire asked how deadlines for surveys would be managed within the subcommittee.
- ii) Senate Finance Hearing: None
- iii) Internal Elections: None

3) Plenary Session I

- a) Unfinished Business:
 - i) Vice President Joshi reviewed the progress of action items, asking senators to raise their placards if their assigned tasks were completed. All senators except Hossain and Garcia confirmed completion. The same question was posed to committee chairs; all confirmed completion except the Campus Affairs Chair, Tech Fee Chair, and Constitution Committee Chair.
- b) New Business:
 - i) Senator Osman requested to change his senatorial position from RHA to DEI.
 - ii) Senator Nwankwo requested to switch from PR to Academic Senator.
 - iii) Chair Srikanta clarified that switching from one senatorial position to another requires an internal interview and election. It was noted that Senator Osman previously ran and won but was assigned RHA under the former president. Vice President Joshi suggested holding a post-meeting discussion to resolve the matter.
 - iv) Chief Justice Norling reminded members to maintain decorum during meetings, requesting that laptops be closed, and phones avoided unless used for taking notes.

4) Officer Reports

a) President

- Attended the Search Advisory Committee meeting where 60 candidates were reviewed; 28
 were categorized as highly qualified, around 10 were rejected, and the rest remain in the
 qualified category.
- ii) Interviews are scheduled for next week, after which the Chancellors will invite candidates to SCSU, and the Senate will participate in selecting the final candidate.
- iii) Announced plans to appoint an Election Committee Chair soon and will be discussing the selection process with Chair Srikanta.

b) Vice President

- i) Met with President Das to discuss this week's initiatives and creation of action items, which have been shared.
- ii) Met with Chair Ghimire regarding the Student Services meeting scheduled for Tuesday; discussed three surveys and bulletin board planning.
- iii) Spoke with Chair Isingwize about increasing SGA presence and will be attending committee meetings; mentioned upcoming Qualtrics training for the Elections Committee.
- iv) Met with the Campus Affairs Chair to review progress, parking updates, and future initiatives.
- v) Met with Chair Burnell to discuss committee coordination.
- vi) Taking personal initiative with the Career Center and assisting with developments around the Job Fair.
- vii) Scheduled a meeting with Jason Woods for next Thursday.

c) Executive Assistant

Spoke with Javelia Morrison-Galimore regarding the upcoming Advocacy Conference

5) Committee Reports

a) Senate Finance

- i) Welcomed a representative from the GameDev Club to discuss potential funding for their upcoming event, Game Jam. Provided guidance on eligible expenses and the event funding form.
- ii) Welcomed two new members, Sanskriti and Adah, and introduced them to SFC procedures, funding types, and policies.
- iii) Hosted tabling events in Atwood and Garvey to raise awareness about the SFC's role in supporting student organizations.

b) Tech Fee

- Completed the final tabling event in Garvey Commons for the Printing Survey and Student Technology Resource Awareness Survey. The results will be presented to the CATT Committee.
- ii) Received updates from Dr. Mary C. Clifford regarding the Faculty AI Research Group, their ongoing initiatives, and the upcoming AI Policy being drafted by the Policy Committee.

iii) Expanded the responsibilities of the existing Survey Subcommittee to support other SGA committees and senators by overseeing all surveys conducted under the SGA organization.

c) Student Services:

- Discussed preparations for the Garvey Dining survey and the Student Organization feedback survey to enhance campus experiences.
- ii) Met with the Technology Committee Chair to coordinate survey distribution and data collection through the newly proposed subcommittee.
- iii) Chair met with Vice President Joshi to discuss future projects focusing on accessibility, engagement, and student resource awareness

d) Campus Affairs:

- i) Conducting parking surveys.
- ii) Currently working on drafting related survey questions.
- e) Public Relations Committee:
 - i) Discussed potential SGA-specific events, activities, and tabling opportunities not affiliated with other organizations; ideas are still being developed.
 - ii) Met with Missy on Monday; confirmed that the Husky Howler will be posted regularly starting next Wednesday.

f) Constitution Committee:

i) No report but encouraged senators to join the committee.

g) Students United:

- i) President Das requested questions from the Senate to be shared regarding the Students United agenda.
- ii) The Students United Vice Chair reached out about the President Global Virtual Meet, inviting anyone interested in speaking to participate.
- iii) During their campus visit, Students United conducted a survey in which St. Cloud State University ranked first with 200 students participating.

6) Senatorial Report

- a) Senator Lundblad (At-Large):
 - Working on the Student Services Committee survey and waiting for feedback from respondents.
 - ii) Refining questions to ensure they remain neutral and effective.

b) Senator Osman:

- Coordinating with the Tech Fee Committee on the new printing service to ITS and planning to share updates through a video format.
- ii) Reaching out to Dr. Michael Schwartz, IEC & EAP Director; English Department, to discuss the possibility of bringing back the Writing Center to better support students.

c) Senator Bhandari:

- i) Working on Alumni Engagement and Career opportunities issue as his work initiative.
- ii) Working on preparing forms for Student Service Committee for Garvey Feedback

- iii) Meeting scheduled with the AI Committee of college next week.
- d) Senator Nwankwo:
 - i) Developing an initiative to increase SGA visibility and engagement across campus.
- e) Senator Dahlberg:
 - i) Submitted his action items to Vice President Joshi, expressing interest in contributing to the Career Center and Parking initiatives.

7) Plenary Session II

- a) Last Call for Business:
 - i) Vice President Joshi
 - (1) Asked for opinions on holding a working meeting and requested Chair Ghimire to make necessary changes to the senatorial position application.
 - (2) Mentioned that the action item list will be shared on Teams after the meeting and should be completed within the week.
 - (3) Suggested adding a section in the agenda for member suggestions. Noted that this item will be included in next week's unfinished business for further discussion and a motion.

8) Closing of Meeting

- a) Open Statement: Presented (6:17 to 6:18 p.m.)
- b) Last Roll Call
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- c) Adjournment Adjourned at 6:19 p.m.