Student Association Senate

Committee Charter/Purpose:
The Senate governs in the best interest of the students; directs student organizations within the University and represents the students before the citizens of South Dakota. The Student Association’s power is subject to the laws of South Dakota and the rules established by the South Dakota State Board of Regents. The Student Association of the South Dakota Mines is an organization of all registered students who have paid activity fees. Through its officers and committees, it is involved in all student activities.

Committee Structure/Composition and Term:
Positions in the Student Association Senate are by election and by appointment. There are five elected officers from each class (Freshman through senior), four appointed representatives (Veteran, Graduate, International, and Non-Traditional Student), and an elected Vice-President and President. All appointments are made by the Student Association President and confirmed by the Student Senate. Terms of office are for one year. When there is a mid-term vacancy, positions are filled as needed through appointment. Each senator is appointed to one of the five standing committees: Constitution, Public Relations, Governmental Relations, Student Affairs, and Finance.

Committee Meeting Schedule:
The Senate shall meet weekly and are open to all students, faculty, and staff.

Committee Membership:
- President
  - Olivia Jurrens
- Vice President
  - Jacob B. West
- Student Affairs Chair
  - Paycen Harroun
- Chief Financial Officer
  - Cooper Emery
- Governmental Relations Chair
  - Morgan Else
- Public Relations Chair
  - Michael Frazer-Garcia
- Constitution Chair
  - Emma Hagel
- Secretary
  - Sarah Reilly
# Student Association Senate, cont.

- **Senior Senators**  
  - Elijah Flinders  
  - Paycen Harroun  
  - Brandon Maag  
  - Logan Melstad  
  - Richard Dennis  

- **Junior Senators**  
  - Morgan Else  
  - Emily Nix  
  - Aaron Quizon  
  - Patrick Rust  
  - Samuel Schleich  

- **Sophomore Senators**  
  - Isaac Braaten  
  - Emma Hagel  
  - Zachary Thoof  
  - Vincent Tomac  
  - Jacob Zaug  

- **Freshman Senators**  
  - Madalyn McQuistan  
  - Vincent Benzmiller  
  - Nathan Fischer  
  - Brady Dumont  
  - Conner Arens  

- **Graduate Student Senator**  
  - Warren Minerich  

- **International Student Senator**  
  - Faiz Naufal  

- **Non-Traditional Student Senator**  
  - Michael Frazer-Garcia  

- **Veteran’s Senator**  
  - Cody Marshall  

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