

# South Dakota Mines Student Association Senate

## Minutes

**Date:** January 25, 2023

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### Roll Call

P = Present E = Excused A = Absent

#### International Senator

Niven Feranades [E]

#### Graduate Senator

Samuel Kessinger [P]

#### Freshman Senators

Clive Uy [P]

Madelyn Siekmann [P]

Mario Dominguez [P]

Nicholas Lockwood [P]

Adedokun Alarape [P]

#### Junior Senators

Ashlyn Kaul [P]

Eliza McCallum [P]

Royal Paulsen [P]

Abigail Van Ruler [P]

#### Nontraditional Senator

Ryan Cantz [P]

#### Veteran Senator

Wesley Quigley [P]

#### Sophomore Senators

Hagan Archer [P]

Brady Dumont [P]

Robert Hewitt [P]

Ben Lewis [P]

Samantha Twing [P]

#### Senior Senators

Morgan Else [P]

Nicholas Wipf [P]

Olivia Jurens [P]

Patrick Rust [P]

Armand Lannerd [P]

Item	Primary Speaker
<b>1. Roll Call and Approval of Proxies</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Passes unanimously</li></ul>	VP Schleich
<b>2. Approval of the Agenda</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Passes unanimously</li></ul>	President Marshall
<b>3. Approval of Minutes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Passes unanimously</li></ul>	President Marshall
<b>4. Open Floor Guests</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• None</li></ul>	
<b>5. Unfinished Business</b>	
<b>6. New Business</b> A. Resolution 23.S.001 Clean Snowmobile Supplemental	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No discussion</li></ul> <p>B. Resolution 23.S.002 Junior Senator Appointment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No discussion</li></ul> <p>C. Review of 2023 South Dakota State Legislation</p> <p>I. SB 37</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No discussion</li></ul> <p>II. HB 1122</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No discussion</li></ul> <p>III. SCR 601</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No discussion</li></ul> <p>IV. HB 1079</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>VP Schleich</u>: I sent this bill out a few days ago. This passed the house health committee unanimously; this is also a bipartisan bill. The \$4 million dollar amount may change but was approved in committee. This is the main bill we will be lobbying for at SHED.</li><li>• <u>VP Schleich</u>: the department of health does technically have to oppose this because it wasn't on the governor's agenda.</li></ul> <p>V. HB 1044</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Senator Archer</u>: I did call this bill's sponsors office. I have not had a response, the questions I asked where what majors are the scholarship going to and how much the scholarship will be received, I have not received a response.</li><li>• Senator Kessinger motions to vote in favor<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Second senator Kaul</li></ul></li><li>• Motion passes</li></ul> <p>VI. HB 1070</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Senator McCallum: Black Hills State is not going to take a stance so let's do the same.</li><li>• No stance taken</li></ul>	
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### VII. SB 45

- Senator Kessinger: upon taking to Dr. Rankin about this. This is a hindrance to people at mines to fill out this report.
- Senator Uy motion to take a stance in favor
  - Senator Hewitt seconds
- 3 nay 5 abstain motion passes

### VIII. SB 55

- Senator Kessinger: I have no opinion on this bill.
- Senator Hewitt: I believe that this gives more opportunity to lesser known candidates so I'm going to vote in favor.
- Senator Jurens: is this something we need to take a stance on?
  - Senator Twing: I agree this doesn't feel like something we as a senate we need to take a stance on.
- No stance taken

### IX. SB 59

- Senator Jurens: We didn't get any more information on this bill.
- Senator McCallum: was this what Dr. Rankin was talking about were its just a vehicle bill?
- Senator Wipf: This was not the one he was referring to as this does say what the fund will be going to but it is still a vehicle bill.
- No stance taken.

### X. HB 1075

- VP Schleich: We will be looking at 3 different sales food tax bills. A survey was sent out in November about how students feel and rank in food security and 1/3 of students are food insecure just on campus.
- Senator Hewitt: The main way we

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<p>collect taxes is the state food tax. Where would we collect taxes if this were to go away?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Senator Van Ruler:</u> to talk about this bill I feel that we have to talk about the two subsequent bills</li><li>• <u>Senator Siekmann:</u> I'm not familiar with tax laws in South Dakota. Has someone from the legislature given a reason for which bill is financially most responsible?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <u>President Marshall:</u> That's the reason why there's three bills because there is disagreement within the legislature about it.</li></ul></li><li>• Rust: There's still going to be taxes on pretty much everything except raw food. Prepared food is still taxed so the only thing they're taking tax off of is essential food.</li><li>• <u>Senator McCallum:</u> in the governors race last year both candidates endorsed this happening.</li><li>• <u>Senator Wipf:</u> I think that between each of these three things I don't think we're really informed enough about how much this would cost to take away so I will be abstaining from voting on this bill.</li><li>• <u>Senator Alarape:</u> Dr. Rankin also talked about how we still have a lot of federal funding from Covid and how this bill would effect us once that money runs out if this bill will cause taxes to go up on other thigs.</li><li>• <u>Senator Rust:</u> for all 6 BOR schools if someone doesn't take a stance can they not vote on a stance as a whole?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <u>President Marshall:</u> VP Schleich and I could still vote if our senate takes no stance, we would just have to</li></ul></li></ul>	
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make a judgment call.

- Senator Twing: would this lowering of tax rate effect our schools state funding?
  - President Marshall: That's one of the bigger questions that's for joint appropriations to figure out. President Rankin said that there will be predictions for taxes within the next month and what we're going to be working with for a budget.
- Senator Quigley motion to take no stance on HB 1070, HB 1095, and HB 1096
  - Second Senator Alarape
- Motion passes

XI. HB 1095

- No stance taken

XII. HB 1096

- No stance taken

XIII. SB 100

- Hewitt motion to vote in favor
  - Senator Kessinger Seconds
- Motion passes

XIV. HB 1072

- President Marshall: this was proposed to make it harder for lithium mining to occur in south Dakota. Unlike other energy minerals 80% of profit would go to the county and 20% would go to the sate whereas with other energy minerals 50% stays in the county and 50% goes to the state.
- Senator Lannerd: To clarify it would make it less likely that people would come to mine in this state?
  - President Marshall: that is what president Dr. Rankin said.
- Senator Wipf: I think the amended version of this is to change it to just lithium is that correct?

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- Senator Dumont: Are you sure that it doesn't just change where the tax goes?
  - President Marshall: Its adding lithium to energy minerals and just to lithium it changes where the taxes goes.
- Senator Siekmann: is there a proposed stance for this bill?
  - President Marshall: No.
- Senator Hewitt: I feel that we don't have enough information to take stance on it.
- Senator Archer: So they're moving to make lithium only an energy mineral and moving to raise taxes on it as well?
  - President Marshall: If its an energy mineral there's a tax added to it per pound.
- Senator Archer: So in doing that they're trying to make it harder to mine lithium in South Dakota?
- Senator Hewitt: So what I'm reading here other energy minerals are coal and uranium.
- Senator Alarape: do you have any advice to us president Marshall as a metallurgical engineer?
- President Marshall: there's two views on this supporting mining supports our institution. On the other hand this will harm the landscape of South Dakota
- Senator Wipf: severance tax only applies to extraction of this in our state
- Senator Uy motion to take a stance in favor
- Senator Lewis Second
- senate abstains

### XV. HB 1116

- Senator Siekmann: The wording of this bill the drama clubs rendition of

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heathers could be illegal.

- Senator Jurrens: Not illegal you just can't use state money to do it
- Director Headley: yes it would be illegal but it would impact clubs like the drama club. A lot of it does cover the drag show from SDSU. The hard piece is trying to figure out exactly what the bill means
- Senator Wipf: it does kind of appear to be a kind of transphobic kind of way here but the last clause in section 1 line 21 it says "for the predominate purpose of appealing to a prurient interest" which is in a very excessive sexual manner so you this doesn't mean you can't dress against your biological sex.
- Senator Kessinger: does anyone know what this vote was on committee
  - VP Schleich: 9 to 6
- Hewitt motion to vote against
  - Senator Second
- Motion passes.

### XVI. SB 63

- Senator Jurrens: this was a thing last year and it didn't pass
- President Marshall: This isn't anything SDSU is pursuing some people thought it would be cool to have a rodeo facility at SDSU. This is the first-time legislators have pushed for an auxiliary building which could open doors but on the other had it is a lot of money.
- Senator Hewitt: I know a lot of people who would be excited to have a college team that does a lot of rodeo
  - President Marshall: Point of clarification they do have a rodeo

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team.

- Senator Siekmann: as this is superfluous could we leave this to SDSU to support and abstain.
- Senator Archer: could we make a motion to vote with SDSU for this one
  - VP Schleich: the best for this would be to take no stance
- Senator Lewis: As a member of residence life hearing the possibility of auxiliary buildings passing though and having the government fund dormitories I will be voting in favor.
  - Senator McCallum: I feel like it's a far cry getting from this bill to there
- Senator Paulsen: so, this isn't a dorm and isn't as necessary.
- Senator Else: would like to mention that this is more then we asked for the MI building.
- Senator Lannerd Motion to vote against
  - Senator Rust Second
- Motion fails.

### XVII. SB 108

- Senator Rust: Currently for fermentation classes you have to be 21 to enroll so this would allow people under 21 to enroll
  - President Marshall: this is for culinary classes I did reach out to the bills sponsor and did not here back, maybe brewing is considered a culinary class.
- Senator Twing: I feel a stance in favor from a bunch of college students doesn't have much weight.
  - Senator Lannerd: there is a class here for chemistry majors where you make your own wine and many people who take that class are under 21.



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Senator Rust</u>: I will respectfully disagree with Senator Twing that our stance would be lesser because it comes from college age students</li><li>• Senator Alarape motion in favor<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Senator Lannerd Second</li></ul></li><li>• Motion passes</li></ul> <p>XVIII. SB 93</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Senator Van Ruler</u>: DSU already got \$20 million for this building.</li><li>• <u>Senator Siekmann</u>: have they already broken ground?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <u>President Marshall</u>: yes.</li></ul></li><li>• <u>Senator Archer</u>: Do they already have an athletic facility out there<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <u>Senator Van Ruler</u>: Yes, and it's pretty nice</li></ul></li><li>• <u>Senator Wipf</u>: do they currently have to go to Brookings to practice on a track?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <u>Senator Van Ruler</u>: No.</li></ul></li><li>• Senator Wipf motion to vote against<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Senator McCallum Second</li></ul></li><li>• Senate abstains</li></ul> <p>D. Resolution 23.S.003 SD Legislature Stances</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Senator Rust motion to suspend rules<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Second Senator Lewis</li></ul></li><li>• Motion passes</li><li>• Senator McCallum motion to vote<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Second senator Rust</li></ul></li><li>• Motion passes</li></ul>	
<p><b>7. Open Discussion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Senator Else</u>: I've heard mixed things about how the speaker was chosen for graduation<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <u>Senator Alarape</u>: so is this them wanting us to vote for them?</li></ul></li><li>• <u>Senator Else</u>: no, I've heard some people like it some do not.</li><li>• <u>VP Schleich</u>: non graduating seniors</li></ul>	

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<p>also did get the poll</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Senator Lewis</u>: it has come to my attention that the student association website has some out of date terminology.</li></ul>	
<p><b>8. CFO Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• This week at finance committee. Hearings will be on February 18<sup>th</sup> all clubs requesting over 1000 dollars will be required to present. Any club requesting under \$1000 has the option to present. I had Three clubs request exactly \$1000 I will be sending them an email because there is a possibly of a rounding error.</li></ul>	CFO Quizon
<p><b>9. VP Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The main things I've been working on this getting legislation ready for SHED. I also worked with senator else to get pamphlets to hand out about Senate bills that we will be lobbying on.</li></ul>	VP Schleich
<p><b>10. President's Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• I'll be reaching out to people who are getting lobbyist badges</li><li>• I'll be sending out itineraries for shed that is more specified than what student Fed sent out.</li></ul>	President Marshall
<p><b>11. Other Reports</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• International Report<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ none</li></ul></li><li>• Veterans Report<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <u>Senator Quigley</u>: veterans are getting ready for the outhouse race in Nemo in February.</li><li>○ <u>Senator Hewitt</u>: what's the outhouse race about?</li><li>○ <u>Senator Quigly</u>: people just make outhouses then race them for fun half of the proceeds go to the shiners.</li></ul></li><li>• Graduate Report</li></ul>	Senators Feranades, Quigley, Kessinger, Cantz

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ No report</li><li>● Non-Traditional Report</li><li>○ No report</li></ul>	
<p><b>12. Committee Reports</b></p> <p>A. Constitution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <u>Senator Kessinger</u>: we have comic book club, Ki Psi, high chance you will see a presentation next week.</li><li>● <u>VP Schleich</u>: how is trap shooting club?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <u>Senator Kessinger</u>: Who ever Dr.Rankin met with about that has yet to submit anything.</li></ul></li></ul> <p>B. Public Relations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <u>Senator Else</u>: I'm meeting with VP Schleich to make that pamphlet for SHED senator Cantz is bring his camera to make a montage of SHED</li></ul> <p>C. Governmental Relations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <u>Senator Jurrens</u>: petitions for senate president and vice president will be sent out tomorrow remember mock SHED is right after the meeting.</li></ul> <p>D. Student Affairs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <u>Senator Kaul</u>: first spirit Friday February 3<sup>rd</sup> well send out a sign up sheet for that.</li></ul> <p>E. Campus &amp; Ad Hoc Committees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <u>Senator Paulsen</u>: We will meet next week.</li><li>● <u>Senator Van Ruler</u>: the wellness fair is looking for volunteers</li><li>● <u>President Marshall</u>: Parking committee we are meeting tomorrow and recording it so we can give the full explanation we got from facilities about that.</li><li>● <u>Senator Dominguez</u>: where is parking committee?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <u>President Marshall</u>: The senate office.</li></ul></li></ul>	

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<p><b>13. Upcoming Senate Business</b> A. SHED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>President Marshall</u>: January 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>.</li><li>• <u>VP Schleich</u>: The first cracker barrel of the legislative season on Saturday if anyone would like to go to that.</li></ul>	
<p><b>14. Announcements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Senator Quigly</u>: 48 weeks till Christmas</li></ul>	
<p><b>15. Adjournment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Motion to adjourn Senator Hewitt<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Second Senator Lannerd</li></ul></li><li>• Motion passes</li></ul>	