

South Dakota Mines Student Association Senate

Minutes

Date: March 8th, 2023

Time: 5:00

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Roll Call

P = Present E = Excused A = Absent

International Senator

Niven Feranades [P]

Graduate Senator

Samuel Kessinger [E] **Borman**

Freshman Senators

Clive Uy [P]

Madelyn Siekmann [P]

Mario Dominguez [P]

Nicholas Lockwood [P]

Adedokun Alarape [P]

Junior Senators

Guillermo Mendez [P]

Ashlyn Kaul [P]

Eliza McCallum [E] **Estebo**

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 [E] **Zaug**

Olivia Jurens [P]

Patrick Rust [P]

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Item	Primary Speaker
1. Roll Call and Approval of Proxies <ul style="list-style-type: none">Motion to approve Proxies Senator Rust<ul style="list-style-type: none">Second Senator AlarapePasses unanimously	Senator Kaul
2. Approval of the Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none">Passes unanimously	VP Schleich
3. Approval of Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none">Passes unanimously	VP Schleich
4. Open Floor Guests <ul style="list-style-type: none">None	
5. Unfinished Business	

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<p>A. Resolution 23.S.010 MARS Supplemental</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Senator Fernandes motion to vote.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Second Senator Dominguez• Motion passes 1 nay. <p>B. Resolution 23.S.011 Casting Club Supplemental</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Motion to vote Senator Lockwood.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Second Senator Alarape.• Motion passes	
<p>6. New Business</p> <p>A. Resolution 23.S.012 Trap Shooting Club</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• No discussion <p>B. Resolution 23.S.013 Mid-Term Grading Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Senator Rust:</u> this is just a supporting document not what's going to happen.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <u>Senator Kaul:</u> yes, this is the job of the provost office it's hard for us to pass policy ourselves.• <u>Senator Siekmann:</u> So, is this in conjunction with he the already existing midterm policy?<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <u>Senator Kaul:</u> This is in addition is to make sure that all students have current grades posted before the drop date. The second part makes sure that the Professor has your calculated grade on D2L. <p>C. Resolution 23.S.014 SOAP Allocation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>VP Schleich:</u> Friendly amendment you should change this to the student majority of the GAF committee.• <u>Senator Rust:</u> we are also going to have to friendly amend the amounts its actually \$31,500.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <u>CFO Lannerd:</u> We are also going to have to update the account numbers• <u>Senator Lewis:</u> I see 5 clubs that got 0% of their allocation<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <u>CFO Lannerd:</u> yes, for fly fishing everything they need is through	

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rebranding, for Health and Fitness Club was for personally training certificates which SOAP cannot be used for, Study Dakota which is not an active organization, Hard Rocker hockey also needs to go through rebranding. InterVarsity, their original budget was in the \$7,000 range so they amended to 0 because they got a large donation but we put them down for 0.01 so they could ask for supplemental. For SASE they didn't present.

- VP Schleich: That 10% was after initial deductions.

D. Resolution 23.S.015 Constitution Revisions

- Senator Rust: Friendly amend so we can change VP Schliech's name.
- Senator Siekmann: Upon talking with some senators, maybe we change the constitution. Rather than running on a position by credit hours, instead it you should be able to run on credit hours or year.
 - Senator Rust: Just changing that to and or. People have some classes in their class standing, whereas people in the dorms will talk to people within their year.
 - VP Schleich: I think that the addition of an and or would help in some cases for example if someone went on co-op.
 - Senator Van Ruler: I ran under my year standing not under my class standing.
 - Senator Rust: I think changing it might be ideal so we can be sure we are following our constitution
 - Senator Archer: I feel like this might be better for my peers.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Senator Else</u>: if we do this how would voting work? Because right now its• <u>Director Headly</u>: maybe we talk to Vickie Bender to see if there's something we could change the system.• <u>Senator Jurrens</u>: is there going to be anything added to vacancies? Because only the president is talked about right now.• <u>Senator Jurrens</u>: Last year when Marrin left no one knew what we supposed to do, and VP is a big position to fill so I feel it would be smart to have this laid out.• <u>Dean Dlugos</u>: In the rare event when the president and VP are gone we need a chain of command.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <u>VP Schleich</u>: we have that laid out somewhere in the constitution.• <u>Director Headly</u>: what does eligible replacement mean, we have had some questions about that for replacements.	
<p>7. Open Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Senator Alarape</u>: is Trap Shooting Club supposed to be doing a presentation today?<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <u>Senator Lewis</u>: Trap Club is doing a presentation the following week after spring break.• <u>VP Schleich</u>: the President's office is looking to change the commencement to only be in the spring and not the winter.• <u>Senator Jurrens</u>: why?<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <u>Dean Dlugos</u>: The curriculum with mechanical engineering changed making it near impossible to graduate in the winter so now graduation in the winter is a very small amount of people. We are also trying to be more	

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<p>in line with other schools and there are only 3 schools that have winter graduation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <u>Senator Siekmann</u>: what would that mean for students that are done in the winter? Would they not have a degree?○ <u>Dean Dlugos</u>: They would have a degree but if they wanted to walk, they would have to do it in the spring.○ <u>Senator Else</u>: Could we have an informal one in the winter instead of a large-scale ceremony and when would this go into effect?○ <u>Dean Dlugos</u>: We discussed. This. And this would go into effect in 2024.	
<p>8. CFO Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thank you to the soap committee and GAF for meeting extra times this week to get things ready for the coming weeks. And helping us come up with a SOAP number that is fiscally responsible• We have 2 main accounts connected to SOAP 4SA002 and 4SA003. 4SA003 is what you see when referencing supplementals. At beginning of the fiscal year we had \$626 thousand in 4SA002 we then allocated our SOAP budget, our rebranding budget, and our safety committee budget out of our 002 account into our 003 account. Additionally, as we've made supplemental requests money is transferred from 002 to 003. Our current. Our current balance in our reserve fund is \$296 thousand we have transferred \$423 thousand in 003. We have spent \$145 thousand of this	CFO Lannerd

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<p>money.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We landed on \$315 thousand for SOAP, they currently have \$375 thousand set aside for SOAP. There are non-club things that also use that money those things being the Cultural Expo and Rocker Days the costs of which add up to about \$20 thousand they do have some reserve money of their own. All of GAF does not roll back into our reserve only SOAP related portions. The rest of GAF rolls back into a different reserve. If there's a shortfall in GAF funding, there is a possibly they will pull out money from that reserve to give what was promised to us. I will put together a short presentation 2 weeks from now.• Currently we are not sustainable. We chose \$315 thousand by looking at what was allocated for SOAP during FY '22 and FY 23 and just going in the middle. This gives us at least 2 years to fix the budget.• we are petitioning the state for a GAF increase of \$1.17 which at 13 credits is going to add \$35 to each students expenses. The expected revenue from that is about \$73 thousand.• For SOAP we are looking to rewrite parts of the SOAP constitution we are looking to tie the increase to the South Dakota CPI• VP Schleich: We need to note that more clubs are made then are removed so each year there are more clubs fighting over that small increase. So that is something that should be looked into in the future.	
<p>9. VP Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• with HB1079 being passed. More than	VP Schleich

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<p>likely, we won't see a dime of that, so we've been looking to get peer mentors QPR trained</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Senator Else</u>: It may be a good idea to have all the Freshman QPR trained and if we start with the Freshman, we may have everyone trained.• <u>Senator Jurrens</u>: could you explain what QPR stands for?<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <u>Senator Lewis</u>: QPR stands for question, persuade, refer. Its suicide prevention training I could see it being beneficial to have all Freshman trained.• <u>Senator Else</u>: I was trained years ago its treated like CPR to get them from a crisis to a trained professional.• <u>CFO Lannerd</u>: When I did it you worked with a partner it might force them to interact with each other.• <u>Senator Else</u>: It may be kind of triggering.• <u>Senator Alarape</u>: It might be a good idea to get rid of some the orientation activities and have QPR training instead.• <u>Senator Rust</u>: it could also be a thing where the mentor does the training with their mentees.• <u>Senator Jurrens</u>: There is a shorted version of it to because SACK did it in about half an hour.• Speaking with Caleb Wieland. All student leaders at used need to go through QPR training to get their version of SOAP.• The GAF increase does not look great, but President Marshall, CFO Lannerd, and myself will be going to Aberdeen to petition for it.	
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10. President's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">• none	
11. Other Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none">• International Report<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ No report• Veterans Report<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ No report• Graduate Report<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ No report• Non-Traditional Report<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ No report	Senators Feranades, Quigley, Kessinger, Cantz
12. Committee Reports <p>A. Constitution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Proxy Borman: Kessinger will be sending out an email outlining the changes to the constitution. <p>B. Public Relations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Senator Else</u>: finished verifying Hard Rocker discounts we lost a 3rd of them we are working on calling new business about this discount.• <u>CFO Lannerd</u>: In the Freshman and sophomore dorms do they have anything about the discounts?• <u>Director Headly</u>: We could look to getting posters about the discount. <p>C. Governmental Relations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Senator Jurrens: Presidential Elections are happening till 7pm petitions are out for senator spots.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <u>Senator Lewis</u>: elections are open till 9pm. <p>D. Student Affairs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Senator Kaul</u>: We don't have a ton left for SA this semester so we are going to try and get better student engagement for next year. <p>E. Campus & Ad Hoc Committees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Senator Else</u>: parking appeals meeting tomorrow at 2.	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Senator Rust:</u> Rebranding we found a new graphic designer• <u>Senator Siekmann:</u> Inclusion committee is now meeting again.• <u>Senator Paulsen:</u> safety and security I started an email chain about installation of the cameras. I'll have an update when we get back from spring break.	
13. Upcoming Senate Business <ul style="list-style-type: none">• None	
14. Announcements <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>VP Schleich:</u> Pie eating contest on the 22nd in the classroom building.• Senator Quigly: 292 days till Christmas.	
15. Adjournment <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rust motion to adjourn.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Second Senator Alarape• Motion passes.	