

North Dakota State University

Student Government

October 15th, 2017

6:30 PM Plains Room

1. Call to Order at 6:26pm
2. Roll Call
   1. 22 present, 3 absent
3. Approve Klarissa Walvatne as a CSO at-large commissioner
   1. *Stoppleworth:* Move to approve Klarissa Walvate as a CSO at-large commissioner
      1. *Schefter*: Second
   2. Voice Call Vote
      1. Unanimous approval
   3. Congratulations, Walvatne!
4. Approve Agenda
   1. *Harper:* The spokesperson for Policy 153 will not be able to be here next week but can the week after. Therefore, we will be deleting it from tonight’s agenda and moving it onto next week’s to be first read. This way we can get all the information we need. I move to strike Policy 153 without objection.
      1. No objections
   2. Approved
5. Approve Minutes
   1. Approved
6. Consent Agenda
   1. No consent Agenda
7. Guest Speaker, *Bruce Bollinger*
   1. *Karanki:* Do you believe winters are getting warmer in North Dakota? Do you think this affects agriculture?
      1. The winters are 4.7F warmer than 100 years ago. We did not have liquid precipitation for years so this is a new territory for ND citizens. Liquid precipitation in the winter is more dangerous because it causes freezing rain. This is obviously more dangerous than snow on the ground. In terms of weather, it brings a different challenge.
      2. Warmer winters mean you can grow wheat, which is an addition to agriculture.
   2. *Arshid*: This season, what are you predicting for winter?
      1. We utilized longer term signatures temperatures in the Pacific Ocean. strong el nino and weak la nina. This winter la nina will settle in and we will have near normal 50 inch of snow. 4 years of non normal. More snowy. Uncertainty in this weather prediction
   3. *Harper:* I have a question about snow removal on the sidewalks, how do you deal with that? More specifically, what time in the morning and what procedures do you use?
      1. Snow removal generally starts at 1 or 2am, we look at forecast to determine when to start. If we are in for lots of snow, it starts at 1am. We start with emergency routes and any frequented locations. The commuter parking lots need to be cleared as well because there are minimal cars parked there overnight. The goal is to get as much done by 8am. It changes what we can do if the snow is heavy or wet. What we started doing is our own snow removal at Barry, we were contracting out because there was no storage building but the contractors didn't get to it timely. Now we take equipment down there if needed.
   4. *Finseth*: With the variety of disasters like fires and hurricanes, does this make it more or less likely for blizzards?
      1. Not necessarily. All events are explainable due to the above sea surface temperature, more water vapor in air sustains hurricanes. 90 million tons of water vapor are needed to turn into water every hour for a hurricane.. California departed from normal ranges about 9 months ago, they are having a particularly dry season, 10% of normal range to be exact. This has made vegetation dry, not to mention when you have warm winds it makes things drier. This contributed to the wildfires. Doesn’t explain or contribute to North Dakota winter time. What is happening with summertime storms has nothing to do with blizzards in winter.
   5. *Arshid:* My constituents have shared a variety of stories about staying late in the lab. During extreme weather conditions, campus police have worked hard to keep them safe. I appreciate the campus policy very much and so do my constituents.
8. Public Comment
   1. No public comment
9. Advisor’s Comments – Matt Skoy and Laura Oster-Aaland
   1. Oster-Aaland: I would like to thank those for participating in the memorial for Ellie Helm. After hearing the speakers today, we are so lucky to have all the people that are concerned with our safely on campus.
10. President of Senate Announcements – Katie Mastel
11. Secretary of Senate Announcements – Marisa Pacella
12. Court Report – Jared Melville
13. Executive Reports
    1. Finance – Landon Holmquist and Zachary Sanger
       1. Fund Numbers:
          1. CR: $10,124.31
          2. MEP: $20,816.06
          3. TORF: $1700
          4. Reserve: $181,409.34
    2. ExA – Chase Grindberg
    3. CSO – Lauren McNaughton and Lauren Algyer
    4. ASA – Michael Russell
    5. PR – Monica Murray
    6. Technology – Marisa Mathews
    7. President– Mason Wenzel
14. Vice Chair Report – Calla Harper
15. Funding Requests for Student Organizations
    1. No requests
16. Unfinished Business
    1. No Unfinished Business
17. New Business
    1. UP-05-17/Policy 151, *Code of Conduct*
       1. First Read
    2. ~~UP-06-17/Policy 153,~~ *~~Smoke-Free Facilities~~*
    3. Appoint One Senator to CSO Commission
       1. *Schefter:* I move to open nominations
          1. Mach: Second
       2. *Skuza:* Nominate myself
       3. Nominated: Skuza
18. Student Concerns
    1. No student concerns
19. Reports off the Floor
    1. *Stoppleworth:* Pacella and I have been working on a Student Government FAQ sheet for new members. Please send any questions you might have to me or Pacella. As well as anything you would like to see included in it.
    2. *Fettig:* Hegstad, Russell and myself have been working on an advisor review idea, like the logistics behind that so if anyone has input please let me know. Or questions!
20. Announcements
    1. *Algyer*: Shameless plug for Delta house of Pancakes! Proceeds go to Saint Jude's children's hospital.
    2. *Miller:* Ms. NDSU raised $4,600 for charity!
    3. *Schefter:* I was the Senator of the Week and Sandy’s Donuts and in the office. Senator Kniffen is the new Senator of the Week.
    4. *Mastel*: COSGA applications are due next Sunday!
21. Adjourn
    1. Adjourned at 7:25pm