

25 January 2021 Student Senate Meeting

Meeting Called to Order at 7:02PM

Quorum is met

Approval of the Minutes

- I. Minutes are approved.

Community Comment

- I. No community comment.

Committee Updates

- I. Student and Academic Affairs
 - A. Chair Patterson updates the Senate about the FIT/ACT credit accessibility initiative. All THEOL credit classes must have a comparative aspect. The sustainability credit is also being worked on.
- II. Senate Speaker Resignation
 - A. Director Bluhm informs the Senate that Speaker Almusawy has resigned from his position as Senate Speaker, but will continue his role as Class of 2024 Representative.
- III. New Senator
 - A. Director Blumn introduces Senator Bentley, the new Norelius Senator.

Old Business

- I. Menstrual Product Initiative
 - A. Senator Baring motions to hear the report on the Menstrual Product Project. Senator White seconds. Chair CarlsonSather reviews the budget proposal. Discussion is held on the proposal. Senator Hietpas motions to approve the proposal on the conditions that the contract situation is figured out and the administration approves it and takes at least part of the funding. Senator Baring seconds. A vote is held. The motion passes.

New Business

- I. New Senate Speaker
 - A. Ombudsperson Menke reads off the responsibilities of the Senate Speaker. Senator Baring nominates himself. A Q&A session is held with the nominee. The nominee is removed from the meeting and discussion is held on the nominee. A vote is held to approve the nomination of Senator Baring as Senate Speaker. Senator Baring is now the new Senate Speaker.

Announcements

- I. Committee Chairs, please send your committee updates to Nicky Walfrid for the Gavel Gazette. (Senator Walfrid)

- II. The online readership program information will be put on Moodle, the library webpage, and the senate webpage. There is still a need for students for the Learning Management Systems Committee. It will meet for only 10 hours the whole semester. Please fill out the online learning survey. (Chair Doran)
- III. There is a two-week lay-low period at the beginning of Spring semester. Please follow the rules even though they suck, so we all stay safe. (Chair CarlsonSather)
- IV. If anyone wants to send Speaker Baring (nbaring@gustavus.edu) an email with any issue that you want him to take initiative on, he'd be happy to hear from you. (Speaker Baring)

Meeting adjourned at 7:53PM