



## STUDENT SENATE AGENDA

February 3, 2025  
Plains Room/Virtual

1. **Call to Order** *President Hoff called the meeting to order at 6:17 p.m.*

2. **Roll Call**

3. **Approval of Minutes** (January 27, 2025)

*Senator Hollingsworth motioned to approve the minutes of January 27, 2025. Senator Exe seconded. Motion carried.*

4. **Guest Speaker**

- Kara Gruenberg Associate Professor/Accreditation Liaison- HLC Student Survey

*Discussed the HLC Student Survey and the importance of accreditation in allowing NDSCS to provide federal funding to students. The HLC is one of seven independent regional accreditors in the U.S., based in Chicago, and they accredit all types of Accreditation. NDSCS is working on a quality initiative project.*

*NDSCS Mission Statement: "The Science of Learning by Doing."*

*Three Key Values: Belonging, Value, and Grit*

*Student Participation Opportunities to Help NDSCS get Accreditation.*

- *HLC Opinion Survey (Feb 3-12)*
- *Participate in open forums/mock site visit*
- *Participate in student meetings with HLC reviewers*

### **New Business/Presentations**

- New Club Proposal- Drone Racing Club

*Tanner Garrigan of the NDSCS Drone Racing Club explained that NDSCS would compete in the North Dakota University System. Racing times would get logged against other colleges and top times would compete at regionals. Safety is a priority for Collegiate Drone Racing, so they race virtually and in empty stadiums or venues. Senator Hollingsworth motioned to approve the Drone Racing Club to NDSCS. Senator Exe seconded. Motioned carried.*

- Fundraising Club Application Auto-Tech Club-Country/Southern Rock/Folk Music Concert

*The Auto-Tech Club wants to have a music concert on April 11 in the Oval, some ideas are a trailer for the stage, a sectioned-off area, and food and drinks for sale. Senator Larson motioned to table the Auto Tech Club Fundraising application until more information can be provided. Senator Martinson seconded. Motion carried.*

- Fundraising Club Application HOSA- Teddy Bear Drive

*Senator Larson motioned to approve the HOSA fundraising application. Senator Hollingsworth seconded. Motion carried.*

- Fundraising Club Application HOSA- Period Simulator

*Senator Larson motioned to approve the HOSA fundraising application. Senator Hollingsworth seconded. Motion carried.*

- NDSCS 012425 Resolution in Support of a 5 Day Finals Week

*Vice President Maudal and senator Hollingsworth explained the creation of NDSCS 012425 Resolution because students are frustrated over the shortened finals week, taking multiple finals in one day, and less study time. Advisor Heather asked if students were more frustrated that they were not aware of the 3-day finals week, how large is the actual concern, and would students be upset if there was no fall break? Vice President Maudal motioned to move into open discussion. Senator Hollingsworth Seconded. Motion carried.*

*Senator Hollingsworth motioned to end open discussion. Senator Martinson seconded. Motion carried.*

*Senator Martinson motioned to passed NDSCS 012425 Resolution. Senator Mumaw seconded. Motioned carried with 12-0 support.*

- Student Fees

#### *Student Fees Proposal*

- *Tech fee: Increase by \$0.50 per credit*
- *Athletic fee: Increase by \$0.10 per credit*
- *Competitive Club fee: Increased to \$1.80 per credit*  
*-The increase will help support club target, archery, Esports, and drone racing.*
- *Meal plans will increase between 4-6% depending on the plan next year.*

#### *Housing Rental Rates*

- *Single Rooms will see a 5-6% increase*
- *Apartments/Townhomes will see a 10% increase*

#### *Competitive Club Student Participation Fees*

*The Proposed fee for each club*

- Clay Target: \$200 per Student
- Archery: \$100 per Student
- E-Sports: \$100 per Student

*Senator Martinson motioned to open discussion for competitive clubs and participation fees. Senator Hollingsworth seconded. Motion carried.*

*Senator Hollingsworth motioned to end open discussion. Senator Exe seconded. Motion carried. Senator Bauer motioned to vote on approval of the student participation fees.*

*Senator Hollingsworth seconded. Motion carried 8-3-1 in favor of student participation fees.*

*Vice President Maudal motioned to approve the \$1.80 a credit for Competitive Clubs. Senator Hollingsworth seconded. Motioned carried 7-6 with President Hoff breaking the tie.*

## **5. Old Business**

- College Casino Nights

*Heather explained that the NDSCS's Code of Conduct prohibits Senate and CAB from hosting gambling-themed events. Senator Martinson expressed frustration on why NDSCS events couldn't be used with tickets and winning prizes. Bethany Mauch expressed concern on why gambling is harmful to students and why NDSCS shouldn't be promoting gambling. Senator Hollingsworth asked if Heather or a higher-up could send the Student Handbook section of where gambling is addressed. Vice President Maudal expressed frustration about why Auxiliary events are allowed to have Alcohol on campus since NDSCS is a dry campus. Senator Larson stated college students have gambling problems and holding gambling events would make it look like NDSCS is supporting gambling. Senator Hollingsworth motioned to end discussion. Senator Exe seconded. Motion carried.*

## **6. Student Concerns/Updates**

*Senator Martinson stated students are concerned with ice on sidewalks and senator Martinson will reach out to Facilities Management to address the problem.*

*Senator Martinson also addressed how the car lifts in Automotive are not OSHA-certified and are not safe. Senator Martinson will take to Jacky Nordic in Facilities Management to address the problem. Senator Martinson stated that automotive students are upset that their seconded year instructor Mr. Ripplinger is being replaced with first-year instructor Mr. Bitz. Senator Bauer addressed parking on campus and senator Larson will talk to Jackie Gordan. Plug in stations for student Vehicles in the winter, Senator Larson will take to the Safety committee.*

## **7. Reports**

- **Executive Team Reports**

- President Hoff

*Nothing to Report*

- Vice President Maudal

*NDSA is leaving at Noon on February 7<sup>th</sup> and is staying in Hillsboro. Get two hours of tabling in before February 12 if possible.*

- Admin Assistant Bohnenstingl

Nothing to report

- **Advisor Report**

Nothing to report, thank you for your patience tonight.

- **CAB – Senator Martinson**

Paint Night was a hit with 81 people attending, Open Skate Hockey is low with 28, Sports Trivia had 8 people.

Adult Bingo is on February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7.

Open Skate is on February 5 at 7:30

Bowling on February 13<sup>th</sup> at 8

Superbowl Party at 5:30 in the Alley on February 9 to Kick Off Snow Fest week.

- **Residential Life – Senator Mumaw**

Health and Safety is February 3-9. North Side has programming this week or next week.

- **NDSCS Team Reports**

- Accreditation & Strategic Planning-----Senator Hollingsworth 4

Criterion has been proposed with the 5 being posted this week or next week.

- Dining Services -----Senator Hiltner

New fries were introduced at the burger bar and the menu is going to be more specific to speed up line.

- Management Team ----- President Hoff

Since this is a legislative year, NDSCS is asking for a lot of money to tear down the old dorms, library renovation, south building in Fargo, and funding for the new Aviation Maintenance Program.

- Diversity & Equity Team ----- Senator Bauer

-Online Training program

-Dakota Wellness Program- Gift Card Incentives for Facility.

-Safe Zone Training for Staff (Not Mandatory)

-Vector Training Solutions for students and Facility

- Mental Health Matters Campaign, staff will wear on designated day -Climate Survey and Wellness Pantry Drive

- Parking Appeals Team ----- Senator Exe

5 tickets given, one \$10 ticket for improper parking. 4 other tickets voided, couldn't see lines in the snow.

- Safety Committee ----- Senator Larson

The Safety Committee met before Christmas. Discussed cameras on campus aren't working properly. Fire checks in Fargo went well. Fire Marshall said that signage should be marked in the stairwells of Nordgaard, Walton, and Schultz to let them know where they are. Discussed forms for accidents are near accidents. Fire alarms were the biggest problem for accidents this year. NDSCS is making sure campus insurance policies are up to date, coverage, and discussion for customer insurance for tractors and vehicles. Figuring out conduct and policies such as female setting of fire alarm with hair dryer, what is the policy for when you set off the fire

*alarm and don't leave. SDS sheets are being created. Emergency first aid kits were checked over break. Monthly calls and text will continue for safety. Speeding on campus was talked about. Next meeting is March 20<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m.*

- **NDSCS Student Senate Committee Reports**

- Community Engagement ----- Admin. Assistant  
Bohnenstingl *Nothing to Report*

- Club Bylaws and Constitution ----- Admin. Assistant  
Bohnenstingl  
*Meeting Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup> at Noon.*

- Tabling ----- Vice President Maudal  
*Everyone got tabling in, Need to update tabling guidelines and be put into bylaws. Next meeting February 10<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m.*

- Marketing Committee----- Senator Hollingsworth  
*Meeting at Wednesday*

- Agawasie----- Senator Martinson  
*Meet the last two Thursdays. The theme is Hollywood, Agawasie Day 2025. Snacks are kettle corn and root beer floats. Food is taco in a bag, Mexican street corn, and treats. Entertainment is Car Bash, Car Show, Campus-wide Scavenger Hunt, Inflatables, Axe Throwing, Dance, and the Bean Bag tournament, and Incentives for events.*

- **North Dakota Student Association**

- IAC

*Senator Larson explained IAC talked about school reimbursement, NDSCS got reimbursed over \$1400. Potential head delegate scholarships turned down, chosen by institutions instead. Term limits for executives on NDSA. Steel pens with NDSA logos on side, bylaw changes. Institutions get to decided who is coming. Talked about voting procedures and how to simply it. Discussed Parliamentary Procedure.*

- SLAC

*There was opposition to forcing 10 commandments in classrooms. There is support for working over state line. Scholarship and grants. Support opposition for gender terms. Discussion about 90 credit bachelor degrees.*

- SAC

*There was a do pass recommendation for mental health trainings in higher education.*

- GA

*Almost all the resolutions passed. The mental health training from SAC was strongly recommended instead of forcing trainings. Trying to kick the SBHB, good food. Elise Klint became a director.*

- Breakout Sessions

*Discussed how gambling is allowed at all other two-year institutions except NDSCS.*

- PAR

*PAR is tracking 16 billings in the Legislative that they are supporting, PAR members gave written and verbal testimony. Senator Mumaw voted in as PAR secretary.*

#### **8. Announcements**

- NDSA Mayville February 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>
- No School February 16<sup>th</sup>
- Spring Break- March 9-13<sup>th</sup>

#### **9. Adjournment**

*Senator Mumaw motioned to adjourn the meeting. Senator Martinson seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.*