

Student Senate Meeting Minutes

10/28/25

President Garrett Rotzien called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Garrett Rotzien, JJ Garcia, Noah Lahner, Zoe Fink, Javier Rodriguez, Lizzie Pike, Scott Walker, Nozomi Osada, Bella Norris (**Ryan Pavelka**), Maggie Albers (**Harsha Gangashi**), Grace Leis, Elizabeth Dellessio, Alexa March (**Zach Newby**), Caroline Paulson, Destinee Hoffman (**Gracelyn Leichtnam**), Mollie Koch (**Atia Harl**), Kylie Faerber, Peyton Berg, Karli Zetah, Noelle Buckley, Kylee Paul (**Cora Nelson**), Kathy Tran, Amanda Siemienas

Members Absent: Taryn Dornseif, Reese Heitzman, Priyanka Satish, and Angel Garcia

Guest Speaker: Kerri Carlson Anderson from Career Services

The Career Fair is Tomorrow!

- More than 70 employers and graduate schools will be attending.
- You can come anytime between 10am-1pm and find out more information about all the employers.
- If you haven't registered beforehand you can still stop by!

Handshake Information: Appointments & Registration through Career Services

- Same login information as your SMUMN email and password.
- You can get a Zoom appointment when the staff are off campus.
- You can schedule Group Appointments, Senior Check-In, Self-Assessments, and Career Readiness Appointments through Handshakes.
- Look at internships and events going on through the Handshake website, as well.
- Handshake is also where you find and apply on-campus jobs offered on campus!

Career Services Website: careerservices.smumn.edu

- Check into the Career Services website to look at more information for any type of career based questions.
- **Some more offerings that are available is:**
 - Micro Internships

- Job Offerings
- Resume Building
- Interview Questions
- Guided Featured and Master Classes

Executive Board Reports

Garrett Rotzien, President

- Dr. Sellke is looking for a senator to serve on the General Education Assessment Committee (GEAC).
- Senate will be working with Ishbel and the Perch to help get students involved with Cardinal Fest and Homecoming.
 - Starting on November 10
 - Minigame during half time of women's basketball
 - Themed student section
- Headshots - Would it be easier for people to take them before the senate meeting or give everyone a window during the day to be there?

Noah Lahner, Vice President of Financial Affairs

- The Finance Committee has a meeting over lunch on Friday to go over a special request.

Javier Rodriguez, Vice President of Campus Affairs

- Thank you to everyone who came to the Highway Clean Up on Saturday!

Zoe Fink, Vice President of Academic Affairs

- Nothing to report.

Reese Heitzman, Vice President of Public Affairs

- Nothing to report.

Priyanka Satish, Vice President of Student Affairs

- As part of supporting the First Five Weeks initiative, I've been asked to gather some input from Student Senate. Please take a few minutes to answer the google form that was sent in your email so we can share student perspectives.

Taryn Dornseif, Vice President of Media and Communications

- If you haven't, please send in your photos for Senator Spotlights, as soon as you can!

Lizzie Pike, Vice President of Administrative Affairs

- There are some upcoming fundraisers coming up, so keep your eye out to come support our class officers!

JJ Garcia, Vice President of Multicultural Affairs

- BSA is having a Halloween movie night/costume contest October 29th in Salvi from 6:30-8pm!
- Por la Cultura will be handing out Concha's (Traditional Mexican Sweet bread) and Hot chocolate October 30th in the entrance of Aquinas from 7:30am-10am!
- FGI is having a Day of the Dead Altar assembly October 30th starting at 4:30pm in Student Success!

Scott Walker, Advisor

- Nothing to report.

Class Officer Reports

Freshmen

- Nothing to report.

Sophomores

- Nothing to report.

Juniors

- We are selling alcohol in the pub 11/23 for the Sunday Night Football Night! Have a valid 21+ driver's license!

Seniors

- We are selling alcohol in the pub 12/7 for the Sunday Night Football Night! Have a valid 21+ driver's license!

Senator Concerns:

- **Amanda Siemiemas:** What is the progress of the cameras on campus that were paid for last Spring by Senate?
 - The wires have been pulled and now we are waiting for the hard drive to install the cameras.
- **Kathy Tran:** Concerns about the grading system.
 - Zoe Fink will bring this up to the Educational Curriculum Meeting.
- **Zachary Ames:** Questions have arisen about the gate at Saint Yon's to be available for students to drive in and out of.
 - This will be brought up in the next capital improvement polls.

Adjournment

Motion made to Adjourn- Zachary Ames

Seconded- Kylie Faerber

Adjourned at 7:32pm.