

**75th MSSA Senate
September 19, 2007**

75th Senate called to order Speaker Ryan Anderson

Roll Call (present-absent-proxy-excused)

Rachael Quast 1-0-0, Holly Pahl 5-0-0, Jared Grove 1-0-0, Nikki Hanna 4-1-0, Brandon Ross 5-0-0, Sharmarke Issa 4-1-0, Matthew Lust 4-1-0, Murtaza Rajabali 5-0-0, Leonard Che Fru 5-0-0, Harshdeep Bhasin 5-0-0, John Busch 5-0-0, Brittany Wiese 5-0-0, Ojoye Akane 1-0-0, Sanju Nepal 3-2-0, Sharmarke Hurreh 1-0-0, Jeffrey Long 1-0-0, Jon Sands 5-0-0, Andy Wilke 1-0-0, Abbie Hill 5-0-0, Nathan Madden 5-0-0, Brian McMahan 1-0-0, Kelly Biers 5-0-0, Kristopher Lovstad 5-0-0, Mary Nelson 1-0-0, Dave Meyers 1-0-0, President Chris Frederick 5-0-0, Vice President Carmody 5-0-0

Open Forum

Leah White-Director Forensics, competitive speech and debate team. We are here today because we are concerned about Sec 7 A of the proposed changes to the SAC Policy. That change would not allow organizations to spend more than \$100 for organizations to send students to competition or a tournament. That is not a problem for us in early season travel as we travel in the region, Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin and we are not exceeding that. The problem is with the occasional out of district tournament we go to and especially our national tournament. Based on that policy change we would not be able to go to national tournament. My main request is that I noticed in that writing of the policy is that you are exempting Intercollegiate Activities and Athletics from that section of the policy. I feel that this area of Forensics is very similar to Intercollegiate Athletics in the sense that we are a competitive organization. We are not a club. We go out every weekend. The season starts in two weeks and we go through April to tournaments. Our existence centers around tournaments much like Intercollegiate Athletics based on the competitive stand point. Students work no less than athletics for their goals. I would ask that we be considered in the same realm as Athletics if they are going to be exempt. I am assuming it is on that competitive stand point. My students work no less than athletes for their goals. We are ranked in the top 20 in the nation and maintain a 3.5 GPA on the team. It is pretty hard to juggle with a season that is a full year long to do fundraising. Because we are competitive in focus that \$100.00 per person would render post season travel almost impossible which then delegitimizes what we try to strive for all year long.

Senator Ross-How many people are on the team? How do they rank as far as freshmen, seniors?

Director White-We currently have 25 students that are active. The vast majority are freshman and sophomores. We did do a lot of rebuilding this year.

Senator Hill-Do you have a booster club, do you try to raise funds?

Director White-We do host tournaments on campus that bring in funds. The problem with traveling it is hard for the team to fundraise. We do have alumni that we are

working with. Part of that is building up an endowment for scholarships. We bring in about \$2500-3000.

President Frederick-What % of fundraising is that of your budget?

Director White-About 7% with preseason travel.

Senator Lust-I am curious as to what is the actual support you get from the Communications Department.

Director White-They provide release time for my coaching and Jim Dimock, the Assistant Director of Forensics. We don't get any travel funds. Copy costs go through Forensics and not the department. Some grad students are assigned to us but none of it goes to travel costs.

Senator Lust-Have you asked for scholarship money or money for travel from the department for your actual costs?

Director White-They do not have funding to help us travel. Every once in a while they have helped with a couple hundred dollars for a function. They have helped with an alumni reception for charitable giving. They provide more for one time events and some supplies.

Approval of Agenda Agenda approved

Approval of Minutes 9-12.2007 Minutes stand approved

Elections

Approval of Fall Election Results

Run Off Elections

College of Business-Jared Grove and Lindsey Nelson

Mr. Grove-I am a second year student. I am a Marketing Major. I am currently involved with my fraternity. Last year we raised \$40,000 in a one day ALS walk. I have worked my way up at Best Buy. I am in a senior supervisor position. I have also talked to a lot of College of Business faculty. I have created a lot of relationships

Ms. Nelson-I am a Jr. I have a lot of reasons I want to be involved in student government. MSU has so much to offer and it is great that we have a student government that is willing to go beyond. I feel that as a voice indirectly or directly I could have an input for the Senate. I have been involved in student government for 13 years, since I was in 2nd grade. I have been involved in Marketing Club and Student Union Board.

Senator Hill-Would you be able to commit yourself to senate 100%?

Ms. Nelson-I talked to other senators and faculty before I decided to run. I am on Student Union Board and I know I will need to be on Academic Affairs.

Mr. Grove-I am in a fraternity. I am involved in Campus Kitchens. School is my main focus. Time management is my key.

Senator Hanna-You do also have to make it to a MSUSA Conference, we have them once a month, would you be willing to attend a conference?

Mr. Grove-My schedule is pretty flexible. I do not have a job right now. School is my main focus.

Ms. Nelson-I did attend a conference this past weekend in Moorhead. It was interesting to meet with the other schools and network throughout Minnesota.

Vice President Carmody-What is the biggest challenge in the College of Business?

Ms. Nelson-I think being a student is challenging, I think it is about bettering yourself and figuring out who you are and balancing that. I think more COB students need to get involved through the various organizations.

Mr. Grove-I would talk to faculty advisors. I believe there is a lack of relationship between faculty and students. Some students think faculty are not easy to approach in the College of Business. The proposed building needs to be pushed to get the COB off the ground.

Senator Hill-When were you a leader?

Mr. Grove-In high school I was captain of my Track team. Leadership skills are important.

Ms. Nelson-I was involved in a tutoring program for special education students. I was president of our community club. I had to delegate where we would be going. I helped initiate the program. I have been involved in Marketing Club.

Senator Ross-You both seem to have a lot of leadership skills, how would you handle a problem, independently or in a group?

Ms. Nelson-Depending on the problem, I would want people to trust me and I would want to be a community leader.

Mr. Grove-For example if a student finds a professor is unapproachable-I would sit down and talk to the students and professors and maybe go to the Dean.

Senator Lust-There is talk of a \$100.00 fee, what is your opinion of a user fee for COB students?

Mr. Grove-That is more and more added to tuition. It is hard when we have such high tuition and ten more and more fees are added.

Ms. Nelson-As a COB student we do get advantages but in general we also do pay an extra IT fee. This would be too much .

Senator Busch-Being a senator you would be responsible to be on two committees. How could you benefit that committee?

Ms. Nelson-I was on CSU last year and it was interesting. The CSU is owned by students and students can make decisions. We need to put our fees to a better use.

Mr. Grove-In general I have been a part of many committees and there are always many problems. I am here to listen.

Move to caucus

Senator Madden-To the potential loser would you have intentions to be involved with MSSA in any form?

Mr. Grove-Yes, certainly. It would be a great opportunity to get involved on campus.

Closing Statements:

Ms. Nelson-I am on CSU Board this year and I want to be involved throughout campus and in student activities.

Mr. Nelson-I have leadership skills to be a good senator, I know I have a lot to learn. I want to get involved in MSSA to better our school and myself.

Mr. Grove-I am here to help out. I want our student body more involved in student government. I am all about involvement.

Elected College of Business Senator Jared Grove

Inauguration of New Senators

Officer Reports

President Chris Frederick

I would like to speak to one of the motions. Today we did have someone come speak from one of the programs. This motion was originally drafted last February. We wanted to clean up the guidelines and make sure everyone is held to the same level. We want to make the best allocations we can with the student activity fee.

I mentioned technology last week and I do want to continue talking about that. MnSCU has money set aside for a fire suppression system-currently we do not have sprinkler systems in any of our control rooms. If it does heat up or we have a fire, we are at a complete loss. If we had this fire suppression, it would be a temporary slow down. This is something that is being looked at for the money that might be coming to our campus. It is part of the five million dollars.

Next I want to talk about technology. I talked a little bit last week about LTR. There is also a sub committee of LTR called The Student Technology Roundtable. This is a good way to voice student concerns about technology on this campus. Another committee will start in January and it is the Student Technology Fee Advisory Committee. On our student life fee you will see a MSUSA fee, a student life fee, and a technology fee. That technology fee gets discussed in the Student Technology Fee Advisory Committee. They need students on this committee. You get a through understand of all the technology on campus. If you want to determine how that fee will be set, get on this committee. They are two separate committees; one is for voicing concerns with MavMail or My Portal etc. The other is the tech fee which looks at the \$7.00 a credit that you pay. Also Vice President Carmody and will have our first meeting from the new CEO of IT. We are looking forward to that. Hopefully, we can get a presentation about technology on campus from her.

We had our second meeting of the pre-design of J Hall. When this is complete they will bring something back and go into designing. How it is going to look, how the rooms are laid out, where it is going to be. This pre-design will lay out the footprints and the costs. We will bring that back and share it with you. There is plenty of student representation on this committee. Also dealing with Res Halls, this is kind of a big thing so make sure everyone takes note of this. The Res Hall rate consultation will begin next month. That is when we look at the Res Hall rates and what is our input

into that. We will begin that next month in cooperation with the Res Hall Association. Vice President Carmody and I will be meeting with Dr. Swatfager-Haney on the current extended living situation going on in the dorms.

Senator Hill-Do you have the date for the Res Hall meeting?

President Frederick-We have not set up a formal date but the consultation process will begin next month.

Senator Busch-You were talking about fire sprinklers in technology places, are they not trashed anyway if it is fire or water?

President Frederick-It is not water. It is called sapphire gas. It suffocates the fire and blows all the oxygen out of the room so the fire can't start and is contained. It is safe on all equipment. You can take a cell phone and dip it in the solution and it is just fine. It is safe for all technology.

Senator Hill-In discussing the J Hall, will there be special from for learning communities, will there be classrooms in there as well?

President Frederick-It will be set up a little different. They are trying to work on many different things right now. They want it to be more inviting for faculty to come over and have a classroom set up, almost. There is still a lot of discussion to happen. Learning Communities will be set up different than now. There will be more lobby areas, more designated spots for technology and things like that. There have been ideas tossed around that in the basement, ground level you will have classrooms and technology, areas where faculty can come in. The floors above that will be for dorm rooms and various lounges.

Senator Rajabali-Is the gas safe for humans?

President Frederick-Yes, you can walk out of it. It is not recommended as there is a lot of high pressure and it is cloudy but you can walk out of it and it is also safe for the environment. One of the products they are looking at is completely organic.

Appointments: President's Commission on the Status of Women: Jackie Frederick, Sophia Kiwanuka

Student Union Board: Kali Erlandson

Planning Sub Meet & Confer: Brett Fleck

Legislative Affairs Coordinator: John Busch

Diversity Committee: Jon Sands, Sanju Nepal, Kelly Biers, Udeeb Shankadev, Adey Chekol, Ahmet Dursun

Student Technology Roundtable: Josh Mann

Senator Nelson-Can you tell me about Jackie Frederick and Sophia Kiwanuka?

President Frederick-There are students available on this committee, a graduate seat and an undergraduate seat. There were two students recommended and the schedule did not fit with one of those, several applications came to the office. I did have the opportunity to meet with or email all the people. Any committee that appoints students to I do meet with and talk to these people and I discuss them with Vice President Carmody. Jackie Frederick is a grad student and Sophia Kiwanuka is an undergrad and she is also international.

Vice President Casey Carmody

Speaker Anderson and I attended a meeting on the Diverse Cultures Graduation Requirement discussion today. What the university is looking at, actually the MSU Faculty Association is looking at a new Diverse Cultures graduation requirement. Under this new requirement, all undergraduate students will need to complete at least 2 courses identified as diverse cultures courses for a total of a least 6 credit hours prior to graduation. These will be divided into two groups: The Purple Courses will be aimed at helping students learn content such as oppression, prejudice, discrimination, racism. Gold Courses (Purple and Gold, get it) will meet the outcomes for the second diverse cultures goal. These courses focus on experience, that is submerging yourself in cultural diversity with a variety of groups and situations. The Faculty Association does not fee this is sufficient anymore. The plan to implement this is the 2009 academic year. There will be one more discussion on this tomorrow at 3:00 in CSU 238. If you are interested in it I definitely recommend going to this. There is also information in the office.

Senate Capital Investment Tour-The members of the Senate Capitol Investment Committee will be here tomorrow from noon to 1:15. They will be taking a tour of the Trafton building, gathering information before the bonding process comes in this next legislation session. This will give them more information when they are making those decisions. The way this works is in the first half of the session we focus on tuition. In the second half we focus on Bonding. Bonding is new money for updates, new buildings. Our bonding project, Trafton is for new labs, really renovate, things like that is #2 on the list behind HEAPR. HEAPR money is used for repair on buildings across the state. This is important that we have a say and show Minnesota senators know what is going on there and the reasoning on why we need these updates.

They will be here tomorrow and President Frederick, Senator Rajabali and I will be there on the tour talking to the senators and giving them the student aspect and input. This is important because when we do lobbying next spring this is what we will be talking about. State Representative Tom Rukavina, who is the chair of the House Higher Education and Workforce Policy Finance Division Committee has said he would like to come and visit all the MnSCU schools and have open discussion with students and find out the issues and problems we are experiencing on campus here. He has been very friendly with students. Actually some thing unusual happened, which hasn't happened in a very long time. He invited students to come and testify on student debt so that when they are making decisions he had input and how it affected students. I know I personally had an opportunity to testify in front of that committee. It was very Welcoming that he actually cared about what students are saying and what the problems are. This is another great opportunity for students to say what is going on. He is coming in early October, so stay updated for that and let other students know that we are going to have a state representative here and he is going to be looking for student input. The more students we can get there for discussion the better it will be because he will really hear the student issues on what is affecting students at Mankato.

We are looking for a City Council liaison. Student representation to the City of Mankato has been absent the past few years. We would really like to change that. Building relationships with the city and working toward positive relationships is something important that we need to do together as a student body. We would like someone to go the city council meetings and report back to us and let city council know what is going on up here. It is important we have a good working relationship because as much as we like to think we are our own community up here we are still a very important part of the Mankato community at large. If you are interested the meetings are the second and fourth Monday. You would then be a big part of the Legislative Affairs Committee as they are going to be overseeing that.

Senator Hill-Are you looking for just one person?

Vice President Carmody-I think it would be more consistent and help build better relationships if we had just one person. I guess we would not be limited to one person.

President Frederick-You mentioned the capital tour. What is HEAPR?

Speaker Anderson-Higher Education Asset Preservation.

Vice President Carmody-Like I said what that funding is used for is maintenance of the buildings.

Speaker Ryan Anderson

We had elections yesterday, it went pretty well. 1.7% of students voted in the Fall elections which is actually pretty good for Fall.

RSO Initial Recognition: Black Student Union, Navigators at Minnesota State University

RSO Recognition Renewal: Campus Atheists and Agnostics, Economics Club, Math Club, Public Relations Student Society of America, Society for the Appreciation of Japanese Animation and Culture, American Society of Civil Engineers, Mudworks, Pakistan Student Association, MSU Paintball Club, Ethnic Graduate Organization, Scandinavian Club, Student Art League, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Speech Communications Club, MSU AAFCS, French Club, Vietnamese-American Student Association, Flight Team, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Phi Sigma, Psi Chi, Psychology Club, Human Performance Club

Next week will be our first week of senator reports. Each senator is required to give 3 senator reports. Senators elected yesterday are required to give 2 reports. Next week the following senators will be giving reports: Senator Issa, Senator Pahl, Senator Hanna, Senator Lust, Senator Che Fru, Senator Sands, Senator Madden, Senator Rajabali. Proper procedure is that they are emailed to myself and Cheri so that she can put them in the minutes. On the day of the meeting they will be given orally.

Next week we will have a brief orientation after the meeting for new senators and those that missed orientation last summer.

New Business

M#09.19.07A SAC Policy President Frederick/Vice President Carmody

Whereas: the Minnesota State Student Association recognizes the need to keep an equitable and transparent student allocation system model.

Whereas: the current Student Activity Fee Committee allocation model for fee allocations to student groups is currently unclear, and requires further clarification.

Whereas: the MSSA recognizes the need for student activity fees to be spent in the most efficient way possible.

Whereas: the MSSA encourages student groups to fundraise and seek out other means of funding other than SAF dollars.

Whereas: the MSSA wishes to facilitate student involvement wherever possible.

Whereas: the MSSA has asked for and received feedback about the current changes and its effects.

Be it resolved: that MSSA adopts the following proposed revisions to the current SAC allocation guidelines as submitted.

President Frederick-Just to give you a little history of this I have printed copies that you can pick up in the office. I am proposing that we discuss this and then table this for one week and bring it off the table next week.

Senator Lust-I am curious about two whereas clauses. I am concerned about the problematic notion of efficiency and how it is measured. That is in the third whereas clause. I also find it problematic for us to encourage fundraising but not establish a bar by which fundraising is actually acceptable to the SAC Committee as a standard of 50% of your fees. I think we need explicit standards so that the policy is universal. I yield to the motion makers for that definition.

President Frederick-Efficiency is looking at the amount of dollars put in and what is the result of that and making sure there is a clear assessment model for effectiveness.

Assessment models vary from departments to departments on how they rate the level of success. Our purpose is to look at how they rate their effectiveness. Adequate fundraising is a level. It was the intent last year that students were not to go to competitions or tournaments solely on the backs of students. The intent was that you should pay a little yourself rather than put it on the backs of 14,000. Last year we came up with a 1/3-2/3rds proposal. If the organization comes up with 1/3 then SAC would come up with 2/3. These are merely guidelines. Some organizations followed 50/50%. There are all kinds of variables that go into a SAC decision.

Senator Lust-I just want to urge that when we are considering a policy that affects a diverse population that those drafting would be careful about wording so that we are equitable and equal so that we do not have any one group or limiting the committee .

Senator Madden-Regarding the 6th whereas-asked and received feedback? What is the nature of this feedback?

President Frederick-We emailed this to all directors over a week ago. All line items have agreed until today there was one that did not and we encouraged them to come share that with the senate as it will be senate that will make the decision on how the guidelines will be laid out. This feedback that you heard today is the only feedback we have gotten besides positive.

Senator Hill-Has this gone out to RSO's?

President Frederick-No this went to directors of the 20 some SAF funds. This would actually help RSO's by giving them a little more than the \$50.00. For RSO's that do tournament travel this opens the door for those that do fundraising to receive more funding from SAC.

Senator Busch-What is the packet of information and how is it important?

President Frederick-These are the guidelines that have been proposed and sent to the directors. This will be in the office and I urge you all to go over it. It is the guidelines of making a SAC request.

Senator Rajabali-Move to table Second Senator Lovstad
Motion Carries

M#09.19.07B Academic Advising President Frederick/Vice President Carmody

Whereas: the Minnesota State Student Association recognizes the need to keep students informed about issues on campus

Whereas: the Academic Affairs committee is recognized as a means to address all student academic issues

Whereas: advising is a necessity to graduating in a timely manner

Whereas: students feel that advising is not being adequately addressed

Be it resolved: that the Academic Affairs committee is in charge of researching current advising issues on campus and present to the MSSA their findings with possible solutions on November 28th.

President Frederick-I am 110% behind this motion. The issue of advising has been brought up by many students. This says MSSA is taking an active look at Advising on campus and looking to work out some of these solutions so we can better inform our students.

Vice President Carmody-Advising is important to look at for a variety of reasons, one being enrollment management. Students receiving adequate advising are more likely to be satisfied with the school and stay around and graduate in four years. It is important for Academic Affairs Committee closely examine this issue because it will save students money if they can graduate in four years. The loss of money that you could have made that fifth year in school would be whatever you make, but it is important.

Senator Lust-I do believe Advising is the most fundamentally important relationship a student will have with faculty, particularly those that develop mentoring relationships with their advisors. Senators actively discuss this with your Student Relations Coordinator. I stress this for new senators, take the initiative and go talk to your SRC's, your department head. Ask them where they see issues with advising

Motion passes unanimously

M#09.19.07C Tenant Association President Frederick/Vice President Carmody

Whereas: the Minnesota State Student Association recognizes the need to keep students informed about issues on campus

Whereas: the Student Affairs committee is recognized as a means to address all student life issues

Whereas: the Tenants Association is mandated by the MSSA constitution

Whereas: Tenants Association has not been convened in over 3 years

Whereas: the Tenant Association was intended to be a forum for off-campus constituents to voice concerns

Be it resolved: that the Student Affairs committee investigate the value in a Tenants Association and develop recommendations to be sure that off-campus issues are being addressed

Be it further resolved: that the Student Affairs Committee reports its findings to the MSSA on December 5th.

President Frederick-In our constitution it states that there is a tenants association. It was intended to be something similar to RHA for off-campus constituents to voice

concerns. We have not seen that happen in the last three years. We are leaving it in charge of Student Affairs to investigate this tenant association to see if it is viable and is something we should look at and restructure or if this is something we should give to the Constitution Commission and remove on the next ballot.

Senator Madden-Why has this been in limbo for three years and how is that possible if it is a mandated part of our constitution?

President Frederick-It has not been convened because there are things in it that offer questions and value. Some students felt that many of the questions or concerns were not being addressed. When things like that happen students start to lose interest. That is why we want to bring this back to the fore front and see if we if we should work with this and change it or if we should strike it. Any change in the constitution does need to go to a vote of the student body in the next election.

Senator Madden-What real power would the association have?

Vice President Carmody-That is what the Student Affairs Committee really needs to check on because it has not been convened in the past three years or longer. What should be the direction of the tenant association is why we are pushing this forward.

Senator Che Fru-This is a way of getting the voice of off-campus students to voice concerns.

Motion Passes Unanimously

Committee Reports

MSUSA Campus Representative- Nikki Hanna

We belong to MSUSA and you are all required to attend one conference. We have three conferences each semester. This past weekend we attended the conference in Moorhead We were able to fill our ten seats as we get ten votes. We can also bring five extra people to trade off spots etc. The next conference is in the twin cities. It is October 25-27.

♥ Delegates assembly

Campaigns to work on this year:

- Financial aid
Surveys coming soon, we will need help from you to distribute those.
- Student Voice (magazine) & GOTV - Get Out The Vote Campaign
- MnSCU committees
 - Any student can go → meet in St. Paul → travel paid for
 - I have a list of committees if anyone is interested; see me.

MOTION: DC Trip →A motion was presented by Mankato that required a paper of 1,000 words for those that attended the trip to Washington DC in the spring. In the past we attended the DC Summit which is where you learn how to lobby and meet with legislators. This year it has been decided to attend the USSA Conference in Washington DC. This is for senators from all student governments across the country. This motion was voted down to 500 words then the Board voted this down because they did not see a reason to require a paper. We felt it was important because people take this trip on student dollars and should be accountable.

There will also be a Women's Leadership Conference October 26 at Metro. We also will be attending the Penny Fellowship Dinner. Penny Fellowship is a scholarship program that awards scholarship programs for internships in Minnesota and Washington DC for service related internships. The dinner raises money for these scholarships.

♥ **Sunday Board Meeting**

○ MOTION OVERTURNED: required paper be written for DC; no longer Announcements:

♥ THURSDAY (Sept 20th)

○ Capital Budget Campus Visit (Time: Noon-1:15pm)

♥ FRIDAY (October 5th)

○ Finance Commissioner Hanson (Time: To Be Determined)

♥ FRIDAY-SUNDAY (October 26th-28th)

○ MSUSA Fall Conference

○ Twin Cities – Metro

♥ FRIDAY (October 26th)

○ Woman's Leadership Conference (Time: 9am-5pm)

♥ FRIDAY (October 26th)

○ Penny Fellowship Dinner (Time: Reception starts at 6pm; Dinner at 7pm)

Vice President Carmody-Where there any special guests at the conference?

President Frederick-At MSUSA this weekend we had a presentation from the Chancellors Office. They presented the Chancellors and MnSCU budgets. We heard about the IT and under-represented students initiative and what they are looking at doing in the next two years and why they were put out there. It was not detailed but more what the issues being put out there are.

Vice President Carmody-Besides the disappointing failure of the assessment motion, were there other significant motions that were passed?

Vice President Carmody-Two other motions passed-a tax credit work group to find ways we can use the tax system to save students as much money as possible. Treasurer Jason Schilling will be heading that up so if you are interested please let us know.

Another motion passed on a direction for MSUSA to take on the 1% buy down to tuition that MnSCU is looking for. They want the Chancellor's Office to come back in Dec with a plan on how we can buy down tuition at 1% and have tuition be at 3% and then save students money. A motion was made and passed that we support any type of proposal that looks at reducing the Chancellor's budget that won't be taken out of tuition.

Instead of buying down tuition we would look at the MnSCU budget.

Announcements

Senator Lust-I am on the MSU Policy and Procedures Committee which means we are talking about the smoking ban, drug and alcohol testing, priority registration, things like that. Contact your constituents about their opinions or I will act on my own initiative and not on that of this collaborative, collective body. I will bring policies before you to ask for your opinion on this, in the mean time talk to your constituents on their opinions.

Senator Busch-Legislative Affairs has a lot ahead of them. We are going to start lobbying for our schools and schools across the state. We are going to start lobbying on increasing financial aid. We are going to be working on getting someone on City Council to see what goes on in Mankato and how the city affects students.

Senator Hill-There is a Student Affairs meeting tomorrow from 4:30-5:30.

Vice President Carmody-We are looking for the city council liaison.

There are a couple spots open for fantasy congress. The draft takes place tonight. It is all on-line.

Senator Nepal-Nepal night is Saturday in the ballroom.

Roll Call

Senators Present

Rachael Quast, Holly Pahl, Jared Grove, Nikki Hanna, Sharmarke Issa, Matthew Lust, Murtaa Rajabali, Leonard Che Fru, Harshdeep Bhasin, John Busch, Brittany Wiese, Ojoye Akane, Sanju Nepal, Sharmarke Hurreh, Jeffrey Long, Jon Sands, Andy Wilke, Abbie Hill, Nathan Madden Brian McMahan, Kelly Biers, Kristopher Lovstad, Mary Nelson, Dave Meyers

Senators Absent

Jared Grove, Brand Ross

Executive Staff Present

President Frederick, Vice President Carmody

Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 5:46 PM