

Student Senate Meeting Minutes

Meeting Type: Full Senate

Date: 10/09/2025

Attendees

Senate Members: Lindsay, Gabriel, Nisha, Houreratou, Muna, Ryan, Casey, Beloved, Amira

Guests: Siham (Art), Kassi (Art Club), Sedra (Salam Club), Qwendell (BSU), Rolando, Matthew (Animation Club), Dwan, Joseph

Club/Organization Attendance Tracking

Club/Org	9/18/2025	10/9/2025
8 Ball Empire	Not approved	–
Anime Game Club	Y	Y
Art Club	Y	Y
Biology Club	Y	–
Black Student Union	Y	Y
Creative Writing Club	–	–
Environmental Association	Y	–
GrooveVerse	Y	–
HOLA	–	–
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship	–	–
Math Club	Y	Y
Paralegal Student Association	Y	Y
Phi Theta Kappa	–	–
Psychology Club	Y	Y
Q.U.E.E.R. Club	–	–
Salam Club	Y	–
Student Nurses Association	Y	Y
K.D.B. (Business)	Y	Y
Crochet Club	Approved	–

I. College Vehicle & Traffic Light Discussion – Dawn Belko

- Traffic light near campus still slow or sometimes fails to change.
- Some individuals run red lights out of frustration; unsafe practice.
- Public Safety Director will contact city traffic department to address timing and responsiveness.
- Students and staff encouraged to **report issues safely**.

II. Campus Administrators' Updates

Joseph – Campus Admin Updates

Workday Student Project

- Two prototypes (2-year & 4-year colleges) being tested for staff.
- Staff testing begins Dec 2025; student launch planned Fall 2029.
- StarID system to be replaced prior to Workday launch (2028–2029).

Career Center

- Open house planned before end of fall semester.
- Located in Center for Business & Technology (next to Partnership Center).

Gym Bleachers

- Vendor selected; installation expected by Feb 2026 to host spring graduation on campus.

Y-Teach Day

- Event today for students interested in teaching careers.
- Guests: Senator Bonnie Weston, Minnesota Dept. of Higher Education representatives, faculty.

Religious & Holiday Observation Calendar

- Posted online and shared with faculty.
- Updates encouraged for accuracy and inclusivity.

Graduation Plans

- On-campus in gym due to weather.
- Tickets required; multiple ceremonies and overflow spaces available.

Strategic Plan

- Implementation phase; SMART goals being developed for transferability, inclusivity, completion, onboarding/orientation.
- Student Senate may provide feedback in focus groups.

Mascot Update

- NACC Hedgehogs selected.
- Marketing and admin reviewing mock-ups; community feedback planned.
- Target: finalize by Spring 2026, possibly debut at graduation.

Civic Engagement

- Students encouraged to vote, volunteer, and contact legislators; impacts student funding and state decisions.

Restroom Hooks Update

- Hooks installed on most restroom doors; a few may still be missing.
- Report missing hooks via **website suggestion box or complaint form**.
- Facilities will follow up with students who submitted suggestions.

Nick Donahue – Recreation & Wellness Coordinator

Introduction: New coordinator, 2 months in role.

Upcoming Events:

- Flag football tournament: next Thursday (NEA Week) vs. Minneapolis College & Century. Top team may play at U of M Huntington Bank Stadium.

Intramural Program:

- Launching with volleyball; will expand to basketball, futsal, and possibly e-sports.
- Teams of 5 sign up online; games scheduled with referees.

Other Opportunities:

- Facility tours at U of M rec center for students planning transfer.
- Recreation programs inclusive of sports, wellness, and leisure activities based on student interest.

III. Club & Organization Updates

Art Club

- Field trip: Nov 7 to Walker Art Center.
- Meet campus ~2:20 PM; museum at 3 PM.

- Dinner afterward optional (museum restaurant or pizza).

Math Club

- No meeting next week.
- Upcoming events: Magic Trick with Math (date TBD), Halloween Escape Room w/ Anime Club, Math League Test (fun), Nov 4 Jeopardy, Nov 19 Blackjack, Dec 3 "Christmas Day with Math."
- Professional headshots: Oct 14, 1–2 PM, CBT 179.

Dance & Animation Club

- Throwback Movie Night featuring nostalgic dance movies (e.g., Dirty Dancing). Animation Club provides downloads.
- Guest choreographer possible in future.

Black Student Union (BSU)

- People of Color Career Fair: Oct 28, 10 AM–2 PM, Minneapolis Convention Center.
- Bus transportation provided; all students welcome.
- Advisors chaperoning; food available; Perkins funds used.

Salam Club

- Oct 21: Event on misconceptions about Islam, Courtyard (inside if bad weather).
- Nov 4: Prophet Joseph event with food.
- Nov 18: Miracle Numbers in Quran event. Open to all students.

Paralegal Student Association (PSLA)

- Graduate celebration: Friday 4–6 PM; open to all; bring your own food.

IV. Action Items / Next Steps

- **Sedra:** Lead Crochet Club meetings every Wednesday.
- **Christy & Justice:** Host TRHT Racial Healing Circle on Nov 18 focused on resilience.
- **Don:** Follow up with Hennepin County on traffic light issues.
- **Nick:** Organize flag football tournament and intramural volleyball program.
- **Student Senate:** Provide data on student transportation needs.
- **Facilities Team:** Check/install missing restroom hooks.
- **Sina Club:** Host "Beyond Boundaries: Breaking Stereotypes" Oct 21 at Courtyard.
- **Art Club:** Complete benches outside FAC; field trip Nov 7.
- **Kappa Beta Delta:** Professional headshots Oct 14, 1–2 PM, CBT179.
- **PSLA:** Host meet & greet potluck Friday 4–6 PM.
- **Anime & Game Club:** Halloween cosplay contest Oct 24, 6–10 PM.

- **Dance Club:** Organize movie nights in collaboration with Anime Club & DEI.
- **BSU/Sister Hope 2/Brother to Brother:** Bus to People of Color career fair Oct 28.
- **Psychology Club:** Friendship Mixer Dec 4; recruit new members.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned after discussion of final items.