



Student Senate Meeting Minutes for February 18, 2025

Date: 18, February 2025	Time: 7:00 PM	Location: Chem & Nat Science BLDG 100
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Preparation: No preparation needed at this time.	Please review: Nothing to review at this time.
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- Call to Order** by Vice President Hannah Habisreitinger on *February 18, 2025 at 7:01 p.m.*
- Moment of Silence**
- Roll Call: 31 Seats (29 Senators present, 1 absent, 1 excused absence, 18 seats vacant), 4 Officers, and 1 Advisor.**

Present

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Anna Clare Lavergne Hailey Poydras Spanish Adhikari Blake Guerrero Brayden Timmer Kaylin Williams Johnathan Fee Bishwo Dahal Elizabeth Moon Abi Clifton Laura Lee Mayfield Amelia Thomas Lakayja Dupree Abby Barton | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Arielle Magee Drake Prunty Hutson Hearn Saru Tamang Brooke West Kathryn Kamlade Kaitlyn Apperley Autumn Meadors Gabrielle Thomas Lawson Marchand Landon Deshotel Amira Morales Gabriel Stephan Kyle Wasguespack | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Samaria Spears Hannah Habisreitinger Jadyn Maloney Kelly Lohman Adv. Chris Williams |
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Absence	Excused Absence
1. Emily Horton	1. Keirsten Dixon 2. Cassidy Walton

- Approval of Last Meetings Minutes**
 - Moved by Senator Lawson Marchand and seconded by Senator Hailey Poydras.
 - There being no correction to the minutes, the minutes were approved.

5. Guest Speaker(s)

- a. No Guest Speakers

6. Speakers of the House Reports

- a. College of Arts, Education, and Sciences
 - i. *No Report*
- b. College of Business and Social Sciences
 - i. *No Report*
- c. College of Health Sciences
 - i. *Senator Dupree informed the senate that she has been emailing different programs about their Meet the College event this week. She added that she is still waiting to hear back from them.*
- d. College of Pharmacy
 - i. *No Report*
- e. College of Graduate School
 - i. *No Report*

7. Department Head Updates

- a. Student Life and Welfare
 - i. *Senator Moon let the senate know that she is sending out the Mardi Gras Ball Sign-Up Genius. She added that if the senate has any questions about the Mardi Gras Ball then to reach out to her.*
- b. Promotions
 - i. *Senator Mayfield told the senate that the Mardi Gras Election Post went out today and encouraged the senate to share the post. She added that she will be posting the Polling Station Post tomorrow.*
 - ii. *Mayfield reminded the senate that she will be doing a Weekly Meeting Recap Video tonight and encouraged any senators that would like to do the video to stay after the meeting.*
- c. Research and Judicial Affairs
 - i. *Senator Thomas reminded the senate that Mardi Gras Elections open tomorrow at 8:00 a.m. She added that polling stations will be from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m at the Cafe and the HUB.*
 - ii. *Thomas told the senate that the Election Commission will be meeting at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday. She added that Violation Forms for the election are available in the office, on the SGA instagram, and Suitable.*
- d. Academic Enhancement
 - i. *Senator Lavergne let the senate know that the Midterm Plate Smashing event will be on March 11th. She also added that she is in the process of getting prices on the plates for that event.*
 - ii. *Lavergne informed the senate that Let's Talk Warhawks will be on March 26th from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. in the Cafe to educate students on the Student Activity Fee Referendum.*

Executive Board Reports

- e. Treasurer
 - i. *No Report*
- f. Secretary
 - i. *Secretary Spears let the senate know that she was informed that senators haven't been going to their office hours. She encouraged the senate to go to their office hours and if they need an alternative office hour then to reach out to her.*
 - ii. *Spears concluded by letting the senate know that many service hour opportunities are coming up with Polling Stations and Mardi Gras Ball, so she told the senate to make sure that they are documenting their service hours. She added that the next service hour update will be next.*
- g. Vice President
 - i. *Vice President Habisreitingger let the senate know that her office hours will be a little different this week since her and President Maloney will be conducting Service Hour Check-Ins. She added that if any senators needed to meet with her then let her know and she will work something out.*
 - ii. *Habisreitingger told the senate that this upcoming week is very important for SGA with Mardi Gras Elections and the Mardi Gras Ball coming up. She encouraged the senate to take advantage of the service hour opportunities that are being given.*
 - iii. *Vice President Habisreitingger informed the senate that the HAWKS Committee will be organizing a Town Hall where Athletic Director John Hartwell will come speak about the Student Activity Fee Referendum. She added that this will give students the opportunity to get more information on the referendum and ask any questions they may have before voting.*
 - iv. *Habisreitingger concluded by updating the senate on how the HAWKS Committee is working on getting a new turtle feeder by this summer. She added that Senator Prunty and Senator Stephan are very passionate about this matter.*
- h. President
 - i. *President Maloney let the senate know that she will be in Alexandria this weekend for a COSBP Meeting where she will be discussing what is going on at the university and give updates on SGA to the UL System Board. She added that if the senate has any topics they would like her to discuss at the meeting then to reach out to her.*
 - ii. *Maloney reiterated to the senate that Mardi Gras Elections are coming up and encouraged the senate to show up. She added that we have senate elections that will be coming up soon and that it is important for the senate to participate in service opportunities to promote SGA.*
 - iii. *Maloney told the senate that the Black History Program is this Friday at Bayou Pointe and it will start at 10:00 a.m. She added that she will be a speaker and encouraged the senate to come support her.*
 - iv. *President Maloney concluded by informing the senate that she has been waiting to hear back from Tim Colley in regards to the Dining Committee.*
- i. *Executive Assistant*

- i. *Executive Assistant Lohman let the senate know that she added more shifts to the Browse the Bayou Sign-Up Genius and that they are almost full. She applauded the senate for showing great initiative.*
 - ii. *Lohman informed the senate that this week is NPHC Week and encourage the senate to support their events this week.*
 - j. Advisor(s)
 - i. *No Report*

8. Old Business

- a. No Old Business

9. New Business

- a. Voting on SR. 091125 (a): Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc. Scholarship- “ I move to allocate the full \$500 scholarship to Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc. for their Finer Womanhood Week. They may use this scholarship to buy feminine hygiene products, condoms, picnic supplies, food, roses, flyers, mental health speakers, and any other resources they may need for the week.” Motioned by Executive Assistant Kelly Lohman, seconded by Senator Arielle Magee.
 - Executive Assistant Lohman felt that this is a good way for SGA to get involved on campus and support Zeta Phi Beta. She added that they are hosting events that directly impact the students and that is SGA’s job to serve students.
 - Lohman told the senate that D9 Greek Organizations on campus rarely get funding from the university so this would be a great opportunity for SGA to support them.
 - By majority vote, the motion passed.
- b. Voting on SR. 091125 (b): American Meteorological Society Scholarship- “ I move to allocate the full \$500 scholarship to the American Meteorological Society for their movie screening event.” Motioned by Senator Gabriel “Noah” Stephan, seconded by Senator Abi Clifton.
 - Senator Stephan felt that this is a very unique opportunity to get involved with the American Meteorological Society since this is the first time this organization has come to ask for a scholarship.
 - Senator Clifton felt that their event will be great for the student body.
 - By majority vote, the motion passed.

10. General Discussion

- a. Senator Thomas let the senate know that since Spring Senate Elections are coming up soon, she and Secretary Spears will be doing Midterm Check-Ins soon.
- b. Senator Mayfield encouraged the senate to sign up for the Shamrock Run.

11. Meeting Adjourned by Vice Hannah Habisreitinger at 7:23 p.m., by way of motion by Senator Elizabeth “Lizzy” Moon and seconded by Senator Lawson Marchand.