



Student Senate Meeting Minutes for January 13, 2026

Date: January, 13 2026 Time: 7:00 PM Location: Chem & Nat Science BLDG 100

Preparation: No preparation needed at this time.	Please review: Nothing to review at this time.
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1. **Call to Order** by Vice President Kelly Lohman on *January 13, 2026*, at *7:00 p.m.*
2. **Moment of Silence**
3. **Roll Call: 40 Seats (36 Senators present, 3 absent, 0 excused absence, 3 seats vacant), 4 Officers, and 1 Advisor.**

Present

1. Hailey Poydras 2. Noah Stephan 3. Amira Morales 4. Ashon Fields 5. Kathryn Kamlade 6. Cameron Latin 7. Macy Cason 8. Elizabeth Moon 9. Abi Clifton 10. Jeremy Caldwell 11. Markos Braden 12. D'Marcus Wyatt 13. Arielle Magee 14. Drake Prunty 15. Claire Varnado 16. Mackenzie Meylian 17. Grace Carpenter 18. Kaitlyn Apperley 19. Autumn Meadors 20. Samaria Spears	21. Katelyn Dunn-Vinson 22. Lawson Marchand 23. Jayden Youngblood 24. Alton Sarrazin 25. Alyssa Cressionie 26. Ciante Downs 27. Keirsten Dixon 28. Brayden Timmer 29. Gwendolyn Abadie 30. Brook West 31. Jordan Gray-Spann 32. Kimora Wilson 33. Cecil Pradhan 34. Jira Sheppard 35. Blake Guerrero 36. Zanobia Poydras	1. Hannah Habisreitinger 2. Kelly Lohman 3. Gabrielle Thomas 4. Laura Lee Mayfield 5. Adv. Chris Williams
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Absence	Excused Absence
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4. Approval of Last Meetings Minutes

- a. Approval of minutes was approved as electronically distributed for 11/18/25 by Senator Fields and seconded by senator Magee.

5. Guest Speaker(s)

- a. N/A

6. Speaker of the House Updates

- a. College of Arts, Education, and Sciences
 - i. *No Report*
- b. College of Business and Social Sciences
 - i. *Senator Moon talked about her meeting with the marketing club.*
- c. College of Health Sciences
 - i. *No Report*
- 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. *No Report*
- b. Promotions
 - i. *No Report.*
- c. Research and Judicial Affairs
 - i. *Senator Morales reported that applications for the Mardi Gras Court election will open tomorrow, allowing RSO presidents to nominate students.*
 - ii. *The application deadline is January 23rd, with a candidate meeting scheduled for the same day.*
 - iii. *Mardi Gras Court elections are set to take place on January 28th and 29th.*
 - iv. *A sign-up genius for working polling stations during the elections will be distributed soon*
- d. Academic Enhancement
 - v. *Senator Kamlade reported that the first "Keeping of with Castillie" event is scheduled for next Thursday from 11 AM to 1 PM in the hub.*
 - vi. *A new system will allow students to work the event by signing up to pick up supplies, manage scanning, and rotate shifts.*
 - vii. *A date for "Donuts with Deans" is currently being arranged.*

8. Executive Board Reports

- a. Treasurer
 - i. *No Report*
- b. Secretary
 - i. *Secretary Thomas reported on the office hour sign-ups being conducted in person after the meeting on a first-come, first-served basis.*
 - ii. *All senators are required to complete 10 service hours this semester.*
 - iii. *Senators who did not meet their fall semester requirements must meet with President Habby/EC and sign an acknowledgment form.*
- c. Vice President
 - i. *Vice President Lohman reported on a reminder regarding meeting etiquette, emphasizing avoiding phone use and being mindful of reactions during voting.*
 - ii. *Vice President Lohman will meet with the technology team to advocate for Wi-Fi improvements and increased transparency from the IT department*
- d. President
 - i. *President Habby reported on how Senators represent SGA at all times, even outside of official duties.*
 - ii. *A feedback form for the fall semester has been distributed for anonymous input on improvements.*
 - iii. *The probation policy states that senators on probation at the time of re-elections are ineligible to rerun for an SGA position, with a grace period before elections to meet service hour requirements.*
 - iv. *The Cold Weather Gear Drive was successful, and coordination for donations is underway.*
 - v. *Lastly a vacant Associate Senate seat in the College of Business and Social Sciences is open, with a preference for a first-time freshman or transfer student*
- e. Advisor(s)
 - i. *No report*

9. Old Business

- a. n/a

10. New Business

- a. n/a

11. General Discussion

- a. Secretary Thomas requested specific senators to speak with her after the meeting.
- b. A reminder was given not to push or run when leaving the meeting.
- c. Senator Moon mentioned how AOII is organizing a "Run for the Roses" event on Valentine's Day, with a suggestion for SGA participation.

12. Meeting Adjourned by Vice Lohman at 7:17 p.m., by way of motion from Senator Fields, seconded by Senator Magee.