UND STUDENT SENATE
Wednesday, February 15th, 2017
River Valley Room
6:00 PM

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Consent Agenda
   A. Senate Minutes:
      1. 2-8-17

III. Guest Speakers

IV. Reports
   A. Executive
      1. President- Brandon Beyer
      2. Vice President- Blake Andert
      3. Treasurer- Jake Eischens
      4. Chief of Staff- Cole Bachmeier
      5. Governmental Affairs Commissioner- Ben Grounds
      6. Governmental Affairs Commissioner- Erik Hanson
      7. Project Coordinator- Abbie Christiansen
      8. SOFA Chairman- Nate Schroeder
      9. Student Government Advisor: Cassie Gerhardt
     10. Committees
         a. Judicial: Eric Gefroh
         b. Appropriations: Tucker Haffner
         c. State and Local: Taylor Bovee
   B. Special Reports
      1. Constituent Reports
      2. Others Matters Arising

V. Unfinished Business

VI. New Business
   A. SB 1617-12
   B. SB 1617-13
   C. SB 1617-14
   D. SB 1617-15
   E. SR 1617-06

**********All Are Welcome To Attend**********
F. Approval of Elections Code

VII. Announcement/Public Comment

VIII. Adjournment

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Minutes

Members
John Opland
Nicolas Hanson
Jonathan Schlitz
Chris Petschea
Eric Souvannasecad
**Eric Gefroh
**Matthew Adamson
Daniel Frank
Conrad Kranz
Kaleb Dschaak
Theresa Hanley
John Bjorklund
Taylor Bovee
Layton Ericson
Hannah Carlson
Tucker Haffner
**Jake Wahlin
**Nicholas Young
Laurie Freid
**Roy Roach
Ryan Bjerke

* Arrived after call to order
** Absent
*** Left before adjournment
**** Excused Absence

Non-Voting Members
Brandon Beyer
Blake Andert
Cole Bachmeier
Ben Grounds
Jake Eischens
Erik Hanson
Nate Schroeder
**Abigail Christiansen
Cassie Gerhardt

Visitors

CALL TO ORDER
V.P. Andert called the 2/15/2017 meeting of the UND Student Senate to order at 6:06 PM

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION
(00:00:14) Motion to approve consent agenda by Senator Haffner.

VOTE
(00:00:28) MOTION APPROVED

GUEST SPEAKERS
NDSA Group – Brought forth a conversation to talk about bills that have an impact on UND and the higher education system in North Dakota. The group wanted feedback from the Senators. UND as a whole represents 1/3 of all North Dakota secondary education students.

Brandon Baumbach – Came to talk about the benefit of TEDxGrand Forks and the previous events they have brought to grand forks.

Scott Correll – Talked to the senate about improvements to the academic catalogue. Improvements were made to set up a five credit decrease in order to graduate.

REPORTS

A. Executive

President Beyer – Reminded everyone to subscribe to UND Today, talked about the OER bill in the media, 41-1 payback so far, continued to talk to Uber to bring service to Grand Forks.

VP Andert – There is an open Med school senator position.

Treasurer Eischens – Still have 35,009 in Unallocated funds.

PCoS Bachmeier – Thank you for people taking apart in parli pro.

Governmental Affairs, Erik Hanson – Gave updateds about several current bills in the North Dakota House.

Student Government Advisor: Cassie Gerhardt – Reminded that they give out 2,000 total movie tickets out, 1150 used last movie night. Sessions at the Dock are coming up in April.

Committees

Judicial

Judicial met and voted to endorse Trever as a Senator. Vote 3-0 Discussion was had relating to the character and willingness to continue serving the student body for not just this year but for years to follow.

Appropriations

Met and approved SB1617-12 to SB1617-15 to the floor.

State and Local

Met and approved SR1617-06 to the floor.

B. Special Reports

Constituent Reports

No report
Other Matters Arising  
(01:22:11) Senator Erikson brought up a call he received about a possible room rate increase of 20%.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No Unfinished Business

NEW BUSINESS

LINE ITEM A:  
(01:36:15) SB1617-12 – Bill is relating to CollegiateLink a system used to manage student organizations.

MOTION:  
Bill Tabled.

LINE ITEM B:  
(01:39:50) SB1617-13 – Allocation to SOFA – bill asked for a $25,000 allocation to SOFA so they can further provide funding for student organizations.

MOTION:  
Bill Tabled.

LINE ITEM C:  
(01:41:18) SB1617-14 – This bill is in support of Alley Alive, student government in the past has provided 1,000 food vouchers for students. Bill moves to allocate $7,000 to support the event.

MOTION:  
Bill Tabled.

LINE ITEM D:  
(01:43:19) SB1617-15 – Support of TEDxGrandForks – Bill is to raise awareness for TEDx and to help bring more people to the event so Grand Forks can bring in more speakers in future years.

MOTION:  
Bill Tabled.

LINE ITEM E:  
(01:44:17) SR1617-06  
Resolution is an effort to try and cut down on the rate increase of tuition.

(01:47:10) Senator Dschaak brought a friendly amendment, it was accepted.

(01:49:59) Friendly amendment to change spelling of a word. Amendment accepted.

MOTION:  
Senator Dschaak motioned to table resolution until we gather more information.

VOTE: MOTION APPROVED.

LINE ITEM F:  

VOTE: MOTION APPROVED (02:01:24)

PUBLIC COMMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Student senate will not meet March 1st, but will meet the 8th of March.

ADJOURNMENT

(02:02:54) The 2/15/2017 Student Senate meeting was adjourned at 8:09PM by Vice President Andert.
Respectfully Submitted,

Blake Andert  
Chair

Recording Secretary