



Student Senate Meeting Minutes for March 31, 2026

Date: <i>March 31, 2026</i>	Time: <i>7:00 PM</i>	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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- 1. Call to Order** by Vice President Kelly Lohman on *March 17, 2026, at 7:07 p.m.*
- 2. Moment of Silence**
- 3. Roll Call: 40 Seats (24 Senators present, 12 absent, 0 excused absence, n/a seats vacant), 4 Officers, and 1 Advisor.**

Present

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Noah Stephan Kathryn Kamlade Cameron Latin Macy Cason Abi Clifton Jeremy Caldwell Markos Braden D'Marcus Wyatt Karina Karki Grace Kidd Arielle Magee Drake Prunty Balqis Adekanmbi Kaitlyn Apperley Samaria Spears 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Lawson Marchand Jaden Youngblood Alton Sarrazin Ciante Downs Keirsten Dixon Gwendolyn Abadie Brook West Kimora Wilson James Burks 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Hannah Habisreitinger Kelly Lohman Gabrielle Thomas Laura Lee Mayfield Adv. Chris Williams
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Absence	Excused Absence
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Blake Guerrero Lizzy Moon Jiara Sheppard 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Jordan gray-spann 5. Brayden Timmer 6. Alyssa Cressionie 7. Katelyn Dunn 8. Autumn Meadors 9. Tikera Fields 10. Mackenzie Meylian 11. Claire Hays 12. Amira Morales 	
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4. Approval of Last Meetings Minutes

a. Approval of minutes was approved as electronically distributed for 03/17/26 by a Senator Wyatt and seconded by Senator Stephan.

5. Guest Speaker(s)

a. No Report

6. Speaker of the House Updates

a. College of Arts, Education, and Sciences

i. *No Report*

b. College of Business and Social Sciences

i. *(Gabby, on behalf of Lizzy) reported a meeting with the dean and noted a survey will be sent out when she returns from spring break.*

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. *Senator Spears reported Spring Fever Week occurs the week after spring break; the last lunch social will be Wednesday.*

ii. *Catering ideas discussed include sandwiches and nachos; confusion arises over "Cab lunch social being similar so it will be TBD.*

b. Promotions

i. *Senator Clifton announced the weekly meeting recap occurs right after the meeting; due to travel to Camp Kaikawaka, they will gather as soon as possible; attendees should find them immediately after the meeting if they want the recap.*

ii. *Send baby photo to Senator Clifton via GroupMe or direct message for the tik tok.*

c. Research and Judicial Affairs

i. *introduced Department of Research and Judicial Affairs updates with Senator Morales, noting Jeremy Caldwell will present document revisions that have already been presented by Senator Morales*

1. *Current text: "candidates must have at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA at the time of election, and then freshman senators will also be held to the 2.75 GPA standard."*
 - a. *Proposed change: Replace "freshman senators" with "associate senators."*
2. *Current text: "All resignations and removals must be submitted to the entire executive council, the SGA advisor, and the Department of Research and Judicial Affairs in writing by email."*
 - a. *Proposed change: Remove "and removals," so the clause reads only "All resignations must be submitted..." to the specified parties by email.*
3. *Current text: "Secretary and treasurer candidates will require a 2.75 cumulative GPA."*
 - a. *Proposed change: Increase to 3.0 cumulative GPA.*
4. *Current text: "Copies of the results will be given to an officer of the student government association, the advisor and the vice president of student affairs."*
 - a. *Proposed change: Replace "vice president of student affairs" with "assistant vice president for enrollment management and student life." Or whatever the title may be now.*
5. *Current text includes: "Organizational senators will be appointed during the spring, if deemed necessary to fulfill senate duties."*
 - a. *Proposed change: Remove the sentence due to redundancy, as Part A already specifies "Senate elections will be held between March 25 and April 25" (in spring).*
6. *Current point on reporting: "Each department head shall be responsible for accurately compiling information associated with the department's work and shall see that a written report of the department's meeting is turned into the vice president each week."*
 - a. *Proposed change: Cross out the highlighted portion; exact wording removed in this segment pertains to weekly written reports to the vice president.*
7. *Current point C: "Each department head must submit a comprehensive assessment to SGA advisor by the close of the academic year."*
 - a. *Proposed change: Replace with "Each department head must submit a reflection form at the end of each month to the SGA vice president."*
- ii. *Clarification that to pass amendments, a motion in new business is required, followed by a vote.*
- iii. *RJA committee plans to consult department heads and executive board on potential structural changes; any resulting document amendments would require emergency legislation next meeting due to it being the last meeting.*
- d. *Academic Enhancement*
 - iv. *Senator Kamlade reported "Keeping Up with Castile" had strong turnout; bread pudding was popular.*

- v. *“Soda with Senate” (also “Meet the Senate”): scheduled Monday–Wednesday; Thursday removed due to other quad activities; 30-minute time slots; senators should sign up for two slots to complete one hour, or 30 minutes if preferred.*
 - 1. *Participation: Mandatory for all returning senators and executive committee per President Habby; non-returning members may sign up for a service hour.*
- vi. *“Keeping Up with Castille” for April: set in the cafe on Fried Chicken Wednesday, April 22; sign-up to be sent after spring break.*
- vii. *“Ace Your Finals”:* *planned for Dead Day; a car smash is proposed; alternative ideas requested if the car smash falls through; signup to be released at next SGA meeting.*
- viii. *“Ace Your Studies Days”:* *April 29–30, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 a.m.; requests for specific supplies, snacks, and drinks (e.g., lanyards, Red Bull) are encouraged.*

8. Executive Board Reports

- a. Treasurer
 - i. *No report*
- b. Secretary
 - i. *No Report*
- c. Vice President
 - i. Vice President Lohman reported that students in the College of Arts, Education and Sciences can vote for their Speaker of the House even if they do not currently hold a Senate seat.
 - ii. She encourages remaining active in group chats and departments and highlights upcoming events.
 - iii. Recognition: Senator of the Week is Senator Dixon, praised for participation in a panel and overall contributions.
 - iv. Lastly she commends senators returning next year and acknowledges that the election looked different from previous ones.
- d. President
 - i. *President Habby reported on the events that have been going on.*
 - 1. *Town Hall which was a successful event with the athletic director and representative from Faculty Senate; live streamed.*
 - 2. *UL System Day: Attendance limited due to conflict with a planned electoral debate; still a productive day with insights from the education board system.*
 - 3. *Self Love panel: Successful; SHC hosted tabling and students accessed needed resources.*
 - ii. *Additionally, swipe Out Hunger disbursements occur every Tuesday.*
 - iii. *The Fee transparency document is posted on SGA website under initiatives; it details where student fees went last semester.*
 - iv. *Her report continues with Hawks committee updates, UL System Day experience, and tentative mental health peer training; mentions transition documents timing.*
 - 1. *Hawks committee: Turtle feeder installed; photos taken; geese present; food not yet loaded.*
 - 2. *@Chris - Assist with loading food into turtle feeder after the meeting.*

- v. *UL System Day: President was asked to speak in front of attendees; slide shown with Dr. Castille in background.*
- vi. *Tentative mental health peer training: Being coordinated with College of Pharmacy contact for April 15; more details to come via GroupMe.*
- vii. *Transition project: Documents being prepared; distribution will occur when new EC takes the oath, potentially at SGA banquet or Student Affairs banquet (TBD).*
- viii. *Mandatory dinner with the president logistics and pre-submitted questions to inform seating; submission deadline set.*
 - 1. *Mandatory dinner with the president on April 21 from 6–7 PM; replaces regular meeting; attendees will engage with Dr. Castille and administrative team.*
 - 2. *Attendees must submit at least one set question via a Microsoft Form; seating will be arranged to pair attendees with relevant administrators (e.g., dining services with Mr. Colley).*
- ix. *SGA end-of-year banquet logistics, awards voting, recognition for four-year members, and deadline for submissions.*
 - 1. *SGA banquet on April 28 from 6–8 PM; no regular meetings on April 21 or April 28.*
 - 2. *Awards: Microsoft Form will be circulated for end-of-year awards voting.*
 - 3. *Graduating seniors and four-year SGA participants should select their names in the form for appropriate awards.*
- x. *Lastly, A middle school requested face painting assistance; President willing to try and seeks at least one volunteer.*
- e. **Advisor(s)**
 - i. *Advisor Chris reported Dragon Boat Races: Signed up with Studio Open; event date is August 18.*
 - ii. *“Browse”: Also, on April 18; participants should confirm if those already signed up are keeping their spots.*
 - iii. *“Enjoy y’all spring break and happy Easter.”*

9. Old Business

- a. No Report

10. New Business

- a. **Speaker of the House Elections:** The floor was opened for the Speaker of the House for the College of Arts, Education and Sciences speeches. Senator Latin and Senator Cason both gave 2-minute speeches and it was then voted that Senator Cason will become Speaker of the House.
- b. Motion to approve the document revisions proceeds to roll call vote and then the motion passes.
- c. Motion and approval to move the SGA banquet to 6:00 p.m. on April 28; no debate raised.

11. General Discussion

- a. Reminder to submit baby photos. Senator Clifton requests baby photos and assures deletion afterward.

b. Question about “during spring fever” schedule: confirmation that soda with senate activities are Monday–Wednesday, not Thursday; attendee plans to take off the week accordingly.

12. Meeting Adjourned by Vice Lohman at 7:53 *p.m.*, by way of motion of many senator Cason and seconded by senator Prunty.