

STUDENT SENATE MINUTES

September 22nd, 2026

Senate President Murphy called the Senate meeting to order at 7:36 pm and announced that the meeting may be filmed or audio recorded and may be available to the public. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A land acknowledgment was given.

ROLL CALL:

Roll was called and quorum was established with a total of 73 senators present.

Not there for roll call:

- Colton
- Cumpstone
- Dahan
- Fuini
- Goyal
- Lewis
- Liu
- Mahmoudi
- Meis
- Metchick
- Pujan Patel
- Robinson
- Spellacy
- Sumerlin
- Thalji
- Tibbals
- Zervoudakis

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- There was one member of the public that gave public comment including Kayla Arora.

EXECUTIVE BRANCH REPORT(S):

- Senator Spielvogel and Senator Smolenski share information on the new Student Civic Honor Agency.
- Senator Smolenski gives senators information on the upcoming general election and encourages senators to follow their social media account.

JUDICIAL OFFICER REPORT(S):

- There were none.

GOODBYE SPEECHES:

- There were none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES:

- There were none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- Majority Party Leader Alexander moves to approve Luke Han for the open Rules and Ethics Committee Seat by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Alexander moves to approve SSB 2026-1092 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Alexander moves to approve SSB 2026-1093 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Alexander moves to approve all excused and unexcused absences by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Alexander moves to adopt the agenda by unanimous consent. That motion passes.

NOMINATIONS:

- **EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS**
 - There were none.
- **JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS**
 - There were none.
- **LEGISLATIVE NOMINATIONS**
 - There were none.

FIRST READING:

- Senator Dhamani presents on SSB 2026-1094
- There were five minutes of Q&A.
- There was one round of con.
- There was one round of pro. Senator Smolenski shares her support for the bill.
- Majority Party Leader Alexander moves to previous question. That motion passes.
- In a rising vote, SSB 2026-1094 passes.

SECOND READING:

- There were none.

VETOES:

- There were none.

ABSENCES:

- There were none.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- Senate President Murphy shares she is very excited to see everyone and shares the Senate will meet at the same time next week.

REPLACEMENT & AGENDA:

- Senate President Pro Tempore Finfrock shares her excitement that all committee seats are full and that the next R&A meeting will be this Sunday.
- **Open Permanent:**
 - Graham
 - Graduate (6)
 - Dentistry

JUDICIARY:

- Chairwoman Melamed shares that the committee will meet this Sunday and clarifies the voter record.
- Chairwoman Melamed shares the bill deadline is this Friday.

BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS:

- Vice Chair Shembekar shares that the committee has nothing to report.

RULES & ETHICS:

- Chairwoman Hudzietz congratulates the new committee member and says that all constituencies and absences need to be submitted.
- Chairwoman Hudzietz encourages senators to come to her with any questions.

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATIONS:

- Chairman Meyerowitz shares that there will be a few tabling opportunities coming up.

AD-HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- There were none.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Senator Smolenski shares the business caucus is still doing their school supplies drive.
- Senator Ferber shares the engineering caucus will be meeting with the Executive Secretary of Technology to discuss software that should be free for students.

ADJOURNMENT:

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm.