

## BPC SENATE MEETING

### MINUTES

1/26/22

Call to Order: 12:02pm (first, David McMillen and second, Arinze Ahumaraeze)

#### Introduction:

Executive Board President: Lupe (Interim President), Nuredin (PRC), Kait McMullin (Treasurer), Arinze (Secretary)

#### Senators

Members: Relonda Love (Brea President), Asra Baraka, David McMillen, Deborah Schierbeck, Kaylee Spanjer, Sandra, Jaclyn Silbernagel, Jacob, Laura Otieno, Christine Kelling.

Approval of the Agenda: First, Nuredin and second, Kaylee

Approval of the Minutes: No minutes from Senate 101

Standing Guest: Laura Otieno and Jaclyn Silbernagel: Student Success Day and TRIO

#### Club & Committee Reports:

Relonda (Brea President) - Brea to host a Black history month

Ford Masters Club - helped with food handouts this semester.

Deborah Schierbeck (Child Development Club) – reminder of resource room H167 on campus

Jacob from Hands on ink club - introducing graphic designs around campus.

#### Old Business:

- LeadMN January Student Leadership Conference: HTC to host January 6-8, 2022. *\*Update: this moved to virtual and did not take place at HTC.*

#### New Business:

- LeadMN Islamic Scholarship Fund. Contact Christine Kelling for more information.
- Review of Policy
  - 3HTC.6 Academic Grade Appeals Policy
  - 3HTC.6.1 Academic Grade Appeals Procedure
  - <https://mnsu.sharepoint.com/sites/HTC-employeeportal/committeescouncils/policy/Pages/Policy-and-Procedure-Review.aspx>
- New Hennepin Tech Student App: Search Hennepin Tech in App/Google Play Store
- Youth Director Opportunity (18-24 to join Brooklyn Bridge Alliance Board)
  - Gain leadership experience (public speaking, facilitation, consensus-building)
  - Compensation included
  - Time commitment of monthly meetings
  - Apply by 1/28/22 (Friday). Contact Christine for more information.

- Please welcome Kait McMullin, new Senate Treasurer
- Brooklyn Park Senate President application for the remainder of the school year.
  - Submit a short biography with information about yourself and why you are interested the position
  - Can be written, video, or both
  - Submit to Christine by Tuesday February 1st
  - The Senate Executive Board will view submissions and appoint
- We'd like your feedback! What resources at HTC or in the community do you use to be successful in your classes? (example: Tutoring, SNAP, Library, TRIO).
  - Food distributions. Once a month helps to have food for home and for food at school. Helps people get through tough times. (Request these posts on main D2L page)
  - Tutors in Learning Resource Center are helpful
  - Library: especially laptop rental. Students can be successful on the go.
- More feedback requested. Please let me know your thoughts on how we can improve our vaccination rates/student engagement.
  - More information about how helpful vaccinating can be. Statistics. Info to persuade people versus false information about why vaccines aren't worth it.
  - Pamphlets with information
  - Students don't look at Hennepin Tech website as much. They go to D2L. Think more info needs to be on main page about vaccine on main D2L page. The information about vaccines are right on there or tell where pamphlets etc. are on campus.
  - Should be heading/ribbon that is continuously posted on D2L. Not scary warnings, but also so students take vaccinations seriously.
  - Student mentioned HTC rates are 60% from what they heard but that's low compared to Normandale in 80% range. Maybe incentives to be more comparable.

Good of the order: Overall concerns from faculty and students about club involvement. Very hard to get folks to join during the pandemic. Hard to plan events when can't gather on campus with food etc.

#### Announcements:

- Vaccine clinics: EPC 2/8/22 and BPC 2/15/22. Chances to win money and prizes!
- Access Learntolive.com for mental wellness support **use code:** htc
- Next Senate meeting: February 23, 12-1pm via zoom. There are no classes/no Senate on February 9<sup>th</sup> when we would typically meet next.
- Student Success Day is on Thursday February 10<sup>th</sup> from 10am-3pm. Check your email for updates!

Adjournment: 12:45pm (first, Nuredin and second, David)