

The SGA Senate

Spring 2025 Session

Regular Meeting on February 10th, 2025

The Senate of the Student Government Association of Tennessee Technological University convened on February 10, 2025, at 7:35 PM in the multipurpose room of the Roaden University Center.

Speaker of the Senate, Harrison Simpson, presided over the meeting.

Speaker Simpson led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and observing a Moment of Silence. Subsequently, roll was called, and a **quorum was not established**. **No official business was transacted at this meeting**.

The minutes from the previous meeting were declared read and approved, and the agenda, attached as Appendix A, was adopted as the orders of the day.

Guest Speaker

A university official presented on a proposal concerning General Education, which aims to provide students with greater flexibility and additional course options. The speaker provided in-depth information on the proposal and opened the floor for questions, comments, and concerns from the student body.

Reports

Following the guest speaker, the meeting proceeded with committee and executive reports:

Senator Apple presented the Athletics Committee Report.

President Kelsey Hewitt provided updates from the Cabinet and Communications and Outreach.

Secretary Owens reported on the development of new SGA software.

Secretary Long announced that several events are in development for the semester.

Treasurer Cheyenne Bare provided information regarding Day on the Hill, announcing that Senators Apple and Cecil have been selected to attend. She also shared that SGA headshots will be available on Monday, March 24, from 5 PM to 7 PM in the Ashraf Islam Engineering Building.

Vice President Simpson reported on new candidates to be sworn in at the next meeting.

President Hewitt discussed the upcoming Roundtable Conference in (Location) and the Spring Showcase, which will take place February 22 – March 1 from 10 AM to 12 PM.

Announcements

Due to the lack of a quorum, New Business was postponed to the next meeting. The Senate then proceeded to the Announcements phase:

Senator Gillis expressed appreciation for the new committee meeting times.

Attorney General Tidwell announced the appointment of the new Deputy Attorney General, Christian Carrier.

Senator Apple shared updates to the academic calendar for 2026–2027 and 2027–2028, including the realignment of Juneteenth and Veterans Day to their appropriate dates.

Senator Gibbs reminded members about the Student Life meeting immediately following the Senate session.

Vice President Simpson requested that the Legislative Council meet after adjournment.

President Hewitt encouraged members to stay active in the Teams general chat and remain engaged in bill progress discussions.

In accordance with the orders of the day, Speaker Simpson adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM. The Senate will reconvene on Monday, February 24, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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