



The SGA Senate

Spring 2026 Session

Regular Meeting on April 13th, 2026

The Senate of the Student Government Association of Tennessee Technological University met on April 13th, 2026, at 7:00 PM in the RUC Tech Pride Room. Speaker of the Senate Maya Seitz was present and presiding. Secretary Autumn Cecil was present and taking minutes.

Speaker Seitz recognized President Bare to lead the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Following this, Speaker Seitz led the Senate to observe a moment of silence. The roll was then called, and a quorum was established. The minutes from the previous meeting were then declared read and approved.

The agenda was presented. Senator Bedwell moved that S.R. S26-010 Dr. Jeanette Luna Recognition Resolution of 2026 be moved to after Guest Speakers and before S.O.L.O. Applications and Student Trustee Nominations be moved to after S.O.L.O. Applications and before Reading of Reports. The agenda, as amended, was adopted as the orders of the day (see Appendix A).

Speaker Seitz invited guest speaker Dr. Jeannette Luna to present to the Senate.

The Senate considered S.R. S26-010 Dr. Jeanette Luna Recognition Resolution of 2026. Senator Bedwell was invited to give opening remarks on S.R. S26-010 and moved that the Senate adopt the aforementioned resolution. Following the debate, S.R. S26-010 was adopted with 21 members voting aye, 0 members voting no, and 0 members abstaining.

Treasurer Guadalupe introduced the S.O.L.O. application for the evening from the Ballroom Dance Club. One representative from the Ballroom Dance Club was invited to speak on behalf of their organization's application. After a period of discussion, the motion to approve the application passed with 22 members voting aye, 0 members voting no, and 0 members abstaining.

Speaker Seitz introduced the process of how the Student Member of the Tennessee Tech Board of Trustees would be selected for the upcoming school year. Speaker Seitz opened the floor for speeches by the candidates and questions from Senators. Speaker Seitz closed the period of questions. A vote by secret ballot was ordered, with the teller's committee consisting of Chief

Clerk Gillis, Senator Schlenkert, Senator Martin, and Senator Glader. By the report of the tellers, Jimmy Guadalupe was duly nominated to be the next Student Member of the Tennessee Tech Board of Trustees.

Senator Westbrook motioned to suspend the rules to allow all legislation to be discharged from committees.

Speaker Seitz recognized Senator Gillis to deliver a summary of the S.O.L.O. Funding Committee report.

Reports from University Committees were delivered by Administrative Assistant Tidwell of the Administrative Council Committee, Braxton Westbrook of the Board of Trustees, Secretary Stevens of the Graduate Studies Executive Committee, Treasurer Guadalupe of the Academic Council, and Secretary Heineman of the Environment and Sustainability Committee.

Chief of Staff McCulley, Secretary Apple, Secretary Matthews, Secretary Heineman, and Secretary Stevens each delivered their respective reports.

Secretary Cecil, Vice President Seitz, Treasurer Guadalupe, and President Bare each delivered their respective reports.

All reports were received and placed on file by Secretary Cecil.

Under unfinished business, the Senate considered S.R. S26-007 Absences due to Mental Health Resolution of 2026. Senator Williams was invited to give opening remarks on S.R. S26-007 and moved that the Senate adopt the aforementioned resolution. Following the debate, S.R. S26-007 was adopted with 13 members voting aye, 1 member voting no, and 4 members abstaining.

The Senate proceeded to New Business and considered S.B. S26-004 Constitutional Revision (Clarity and Consistency) Act of 2026. Senator Westbrook was invited to give opening remarks on S.B. S26-004 and moved that the Senate adopt the aforementioned bill. Following the debate, S.B. S26-004 was adopted with 21 members voting aye, 0 members voting no, and 0 members abstaining.

The Senate considered S.B. S26-005 Initiative, Referendum, and Recall Implementing Act of 2026. Senator Westbrook was invited to give opening remarks on S.B. S26-005 and moved that the Senate adopt the aforementioned bill. Following the debate, S.B. S26-005 was adopted with 18 members voting aye, 0 members voting no, and 0 members abstaining.

The Senate considered S.B. S26-006 Apportionment (Methods, Data, and Timelines) Act of 2026. Senator Westbrook was invited to give opening remarks on S.B. S26-006 and moved that the Senate adopt the aforementioned bill. Following the debate, S.B. S26-006 was adopted with 20 members voting aye, 0 members voting no, and 0 members abstaining.

The Senate considered S.B. S26-007 Training and Orientation Act of 2026. Senator Westbrook was invited to give opening remarks on S.B. S26-007 and moved that the Senate adopt the

aforementioned bill. Following the debate, S.B. S26-007 was adopted with 19 members voting aye, 0 members voting no, and 1 member abstaining.

The Senate considered S.B. S26-008 Banquets, Celebrations, and Ceremonies Act of 2026. Senator Westbrook was invited to give opening remarks on S.B. S26-008 and moved that the Senate adopt the aforementioned bill. Following the debate, S.B. S26-008 was adopted with 19 members voting aye, 0 members voting no, and 0 members abstaining.

The Senate considered S.B. S26-009 Student Trustee Selection Act of 2026. Senator Westbrook was invited to give opening remarks on S.B. S26-009 and moved that the Senate adopt the aforementioned bill. Following the debate, S.B. S26-009 was adopted with 20 members voting aye, 0 members voting no, and 0 members abstaining.

The Senate considered S.R. S26-011 Marc L. Burnett Extended Hours Resolution of 2026. Senator Schlenkert invited to give opening remarks on S.R. S26-011 and moved that the Senate adopt the aforementioned resolution. Following the debate, S.R. S26-011 was adopted with 20 members voting aye, 0 members voting no, and 0 members abstaining.

The Senate considered S.R. S26-012 Syllabus Archive Resolution of 2026. Senator Pendergrass was invited to give opening remarks on S.R. S26-012 and moved that the Senate adopt the aforementioned resolution. Following the debate, S.R. S26-012 was adopted with 21 members voting aye, 0 members voting no, and 0 members abstaining.

The Senate considered S.R. S26-013 Slowing Speeds on Campus Resolution of 2026. Senator Casebier was invited to give opening remarks on S.R. S26-013 and moved that the Senate adopt the aforementioned resolution. Following the debate, S.R. S26-013 was adopted with 15 members voting aye, 1 member voting no, and 3 members abstaining.

The Senate considered S.R. S26-014 Nighttime Transportation Resolution of 2026. Senator Miller was invited to give opening remarks on S.R. S26-014 and moved that the Senate adopt the aforementioned resolution. Following the debate, S.R. S26-014 was adopted with 19 members voting aye, 0 members voting no, and 0 members abstaining.

Speaker Seitz opened the floor for announcements. Announcements were made by Speaker Seitz, Senator Westbrook, Administrative Assistant Tidwell, Senator Gibbs, and Senator Bedwell.

In accordance with the orders of the day, without objection, Speaker Seitz declared the Spring 2026 Session of the Senate adjourned *sine die* at 11:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Autumn Cecil
Secretary, Student Government Association

Appendix A

The Agenda



The SGA Senate

Spring 2026 Session

7:00 PM on Monday, April 13th, 2026, in the RUC Tech Pride Room

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Moment of Silence
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Reading and Approval of the Previous Minutes
- V. Adoption of the Agenda
- VI. Guest Speakers
 - a. Dr. Jeannette Luna
- VII. S.R. S26-010 Dr. Jeanette Luna Recognition Resolution of 2026
- VIII. Public Comment
- IX. S.O.L.O. Applications
 - a. Ballroom Dance Club
- X. Student Trustee Nominations
- XI. Reading of Reports
 - a. Standing Committees
 - b. Special Committees
 - c. University Committees
 - d. Executive Cabinet
 - e. Executive Council
- XII. Unfinished Business and General Orders
 - a. S.R. S26-007 Absences due to Mental Health Resolution of 2026
- XIII. New Business
 - a. Bills and Resolutions
 - i. S.B. S26-004 Constitutional Revision (Clarity and Consistency) Act of 2026
 - ii. S.B. S26-005 Initiative, Referendum, and Recall Implementing Act of 2026
 - iii. S.B. S26-006 Apportionment (Methods, Data, and Timelines) Act of 2026
 - iv. S.B. S26-007 Training and Orientation Act of 2026
 - v. S.B. S26-008 Banquets, Celebrations, and Ceremonies Act of 2026
 - vi. S.B. S26-009 Student Trustee Selection Act of 2026
 - vii. S.R. S26-011 Marc L. Burnett Extended Hours Resolution of 2026
 - viii. S.R. S26-012 Syllabus Archive Resolution of 2026
 - ix. S.R. S26-013 Slowing Speeds on Campus Resolution of 2026
 - x. S.R. S26-014 Nighttime Transportation Resolution of 2026
 - b. Other Such Matters