

**Student Senate
Eden Prairie Minutes**

I. Call to Order: Asani call the meeting at 12;03 P.M.

II. Introductions:

- a. Executive Board members
Susan Smith Dir Student Life and Career Development
- b. Student Senate Advisors
- c. Jese Ledbetter
- d. Senators
Asani, Pharmacy
Waldo, IT
Ariel, IT
- e. Guests
Quin Schollett, AmeriCorps Vista for HTC
Matt Homes, Audio Club Faculty Advisor
Christine Kelling, Graduate of student UWI student life group
Rebecca Ylitalo, Dental Assistant student EP
Ryan Holt, Dental Assistant student EP
Charlie Boecl, Dental Assistant student E
Courtney Jacobson, Dental Assistant student EP

III. Special Guest:

- Kassy Nystrom and Liliana Tobon-Gomez, Hennepin County Public Health – Hennepin County Humans Services and Public Health Department
 - Cara Garrett, Inter Academic Dean, talked about food security and distribution
 - Kassy_Nystrom, talked about of health improvement partnership. Social determinants of health,
 - Liliana, talked about methodology of the research study
 - Quinn, talked students don't have information about SNAP, application processes and other assistance benefits
 - Steps to follow, focus in systemic issues, college looking ways that can be done to create a centralized student center to make it easier for student to access it. Stablishing points of distribution. Develop and strengthen partnerships with state and county offices.
 - Short TERM, after a survey culturally appropriate food,
 - Long TERM,
- All the reports above can be share to the HTC body upon request.

Presentations see attached

- Jean Maierhofer Associate VP for Equity and Inclusion
- Lucky Perryman Equity Inclusion specialist EP and BP– Office of Equity and Inclusion
- Jean Maierhofer talked about Equity and Inclusion, and goals on campus environment to project sense of belonging.
Also, asked: what makes you feel a sense of belonging when at HTC? What does it look like, feel like, sound like?
Ryan, Charlie, and Courtney talk about in positive ways.
Talked about a more extensive survey to gather a thorough information on this topic
- Lucky asked for more feedback

- Learn to Live coaches
 - Jess Smith, talk about programs for Cognitive Behavior Therapy (leanrtolive.com/partners | access Code: HTC) offers
 - Also talked about what the program does. Difference between coaching vs therapy.
 - Asani asked about confidentiality, info doesn't go back to college when using the learn to live as a member.
 - Susan Lorenz, ask about amount of sessions students can use this service. The answer was to get connected once a week, and dependable on what program is selected.
 - Jennifer Knares talk about how many institutions were enrolled in this program (08).
 - Waldo asked about if same coach will follow with different programs.
 - Asani, talked about his experience with the program in positive words; highlighting that it sometimes interferes with academic life.

IV. **Approval of the Agenda:**

V. **Approval of the Minutes:**

- a. Review minutes;

VI. **Reports:**

- a. Student Senate
- b. Clubs.
- c. Committees;

VII. **Old Business:**

2021-22 Student Senate Election

| | BPC | EPC |
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| Announce Elections | February 24 | February 17 |
| Nominations Open | February 25 | |
| Nominations Close | March 23 | |
| Candidate Speeches | March 31 | April 7 |
| Voting Opens | April 8 | |
| Voting Closes | April 26 | |
| Announce FY22 Elected Executive Board | May 12 | May 5 |

VIII. **New Business:**

No new business

Good of the Order:

The application for **Fall 2021 scholarships** is open **now through April 30, 2021**. Please share the attached flyer with your students and encourage all students to apply for scholarships before the April 30 deadline.

In order to apply for scholarships, students will need their StarID and password. New students should first apply for admission to Hennepin Technical College, where they will create their StarID and password. Once they have completed this step, they will be able to sign-in and complete the scholarship application.

Information regarding scholarships, including the application link, can be found on the [scholarship webpage](#).

The [Centers for Student Achievement](#) have tutors available to assist students in-person and via zoom with their scholarship application.

Additional questions can be sent to foundation@hennepintech.edu.

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Announcements:

- IX. Boynton Health Survey – select students will receive the survey in late February please fill out survey if you receive it. If a student asks you about it, please encourage them to fill it out.

- X. **Adjournment: Asani call to meeting adjournment at 01:09 PM**

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President

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Abdurahman, Abdulhakim
Vice President