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Taken by Cameron Berthiaume (sorry)

- Agenda approved
- Minutes approved
- Noelle: We have vacancies. Bri is no longer exec assistant. Public Relations Officer also needs to be filled. There are also campus assembly rep positions open.
- Spring Semester Goals presentation
- Dylan: We got 47 respondents to our activities fair survey.
- Noelle: [See ppt](#)  
We will have a diversity, equity, and inclusion audit. We will look over our hiring practices and make recommendations to improve equity and diversity.
- Academic affairs: [See ppt](#)
- Student services: Conduct student worker survey. Implement student legal services free. Organize two food odyssey events, explore food insecurity issues facing students who stay in Morris over breaks. Advocate for cookware available for checkout in dorms.
- Legal services fee: TC and Duluth have these fees. Students pay around \$20-25 and receive legal counseling. Legal issues that can be covered range widely
- R&O: Tech fee, advocate for birth control vending machine, advocate for CPAC, advocate for meditation spaces, create yearly audit of campus accessibility.
- CPAC: Emphasizes shared governance and democratic ideals.
- External affairs: Campaign for investment in Morris infrastructure, accessibility, tuition waiver. [See ppt](#) again they are talking very fast and the speech is essentially what is on the slides.
- Noelle highlighted a few issues from our [spring semester goals spreadsheet](#).
- Green bin idea: essentially, reducing waste by sharing things between student orgs?
- Survey results seen [here](#)
- Most people left the question about what goals were missing blank
- Over half of students have had poor communication with a professor that has negatively impacted their academic experience

- Over half of people would be in favor of the legal fee
  - Some unsure
  - 1 said no
- We will be voting on important dates next week
- Election dates might be a bit different this year - ending Thursday?
- Tech fee will be one day this year
- President and VP transfer power first and then the rest of the secretaries, etc.
- Campus assembly doesn't transition until next semester
- Result of gift card survey drawing: Re Steinberg
- Noelle: We need volunteers to help with catering for community of scholars. You'll get a free meal and a dining dollars gift card. This is important because it helps us save money on food costs
- Liz Thomson announcement: TRIO, SSS, EDI are having a winter get together. Anyone is welcome. Thursday 4-6PM in Oyate. There is a systemwide diversity climate survey that was sent out. Only open for about 6 weeks, ending in February. Please respond. Be brutally honest, it helps
- Dylan Young announcement: Joan Gabel needed approval from BOR to take on a big new job on financial board of directors. She got approval, but she just resigned.