

# Weekly USA Meeting Minutes

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April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026 / 11-12:30 PM / JMB 128

## 1. Call to Order

**Mission Statement:** *The members of the United Student Association (USA) are committed to nurturing our community by fostering a comfortable and supportive environment. We advocate for the needs and interests of the diverse student body at South Seattle College. We strive to accomplish this commitment by promoting and encouraging self-development, community involvement, and culture sensitivity.*

**Land Acknowledgement:** *We would like to acknowledge that we are on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People past and present and honor with gratitude the land itself and the Duwamish Tribe.*

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## 2. Facilitator: Hussen NurHussen

## 3. Roll Call

- **President Judas Iscariot — Present**
- **Vice President Hussen NurHussen — Present**
- **Communication Officer Melody Adael Lozano — Present**
- **Issues & Concerns Officer Khang Thach — Present**
- **Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Officer Fella Bryant — Present**
- **Sustainability Officer Leila Le — Present**
- **Marketing Officer Angel Aragon Madrigal — Present**
- **Treasurer Sabreen Hussien — Excused Absence**
- **Advisor Monica Lundberg — Excused Absence**

- **Ground Rules:**
  - **One person talks at a time**
  - **Tackle problems, not people**
  - **Limit distractions**
  - **Act in respectful manner**

#### 4. Approval of Agenda

**Motion 1:** Melody **moved** to approve agenda for April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026; Angel seconded the motion.

#### 5. Approval of Minutes

**Motion 2:** Fella **moved** to approve minutes for April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026; Angel seconded the motion.

#### 6. Scheduled Guests

- Kano Cheng (11-12:30 PM)- Talke about upcoming ACO event: Government to Government to ask for help to staff and just attend the event. Event that we are doing with the state board... WA has this obligation to work with the tribes and nations as governments, so this is a great opportunity to learn about that obligation and how we work with our tribal partners. Summit lasts 9-4PM on 5/11<sup>th</sup>.

A student, (Unfortunately, her name was never captured) : is joining us for a mandatory USA meeting for USA applicants. She is interested in marketing.

A student, Jose, is joining us for a mandatory USA meeting for USA applicants. He is interested in sustainability.

Another Student, Khalil, is joining us for a mandatory USA meeting for USA applicants. He is interested in DEI.

George Gonzalez is not a student but was invited by Melody Lozano to sit in at one of the meetings so we can evaluate how we can work on inner team communication.

Dean Dennis will be sitting in to fill in for Monica Lundberg.

## 7. Guests Concerns & Issues

### Officer Agenda Items

#### 1. **President: Judas Iscariot**

- **went to Georgetown for opening of student hub**
  - Went with Fella and Melody, and it was really nice! Plenty of people went by and talked to us. One of the talking points was that they loved their Food Pantry, and some even mentioned they would love it if they had more resourceful and healthier options rather than so many snacks. Another thing we learned was that Georgetown students do NOT have student emails, nor do they use Canvas. Learned a lot of information
- **met with Dean Mayra about SDC**
  - Met with her with Fella about Student Development Day. Will be presenting with Professor Larry Cushnie and Professor Asha Tran. Will be letting people know that this curriculum is completely voluntary and is aimed to inform students in the classroom what advocacy looks like on college campus. Judas mentioned how he has spoken to plenty to students and
- **met with Larry about SDC**
- **Worksource space for USA**
  - Judas wants USA to become more localized, and will be writing in his BOT report, to emphasize that we really need that space to help gain more attention.

#### 2. **Vice President: Hussen NurHussen**

- **Hiring Committee Update on Applications**

- On Monday we had a meeting, and extended the applications until 5/5, next Tuesday. Said so far, the applicants have been really impressive. Gave Kudos to his team on being so efficient.
- **Update on Legislative Forums**
  - Senator Alvorado will be joining us for a day on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Since it would be close to a meeting time, Hussen is considering maybe cancelling the meeting prioritizing the Senator. Hussen asks the team to please let him know if there are any other figures we'd think would be a good idea to come onto campus.
- **Voice Academy Update**
- **S OCC tomorrow hoping for opportunity to network**
- **Giving thanks!**

### 3. **Diversity and Inclusion Officer: Fella Bryant**

- **CdM Tailgate**
  - Explained how we don't have class, so there is no reason as to why we can't come. It is open to the public and community, and the goal is to emphasize how Cinco de Mayo is different than Mexican Independence Day. Fella wants to be careful not to stereotype, said that he had to return a lot of items to avoid those stereotypes. Said he spoke to a lot of "Mexican Leaders" and is really excited for this event. Mentioned it is also community paint day, so you're welcome to join them as well.
- **Georgetown**
  - They want to see more representation on campus, both at the main campus and Georgetown. The students provided plenty of insight on what we can do to better represent Georgetown students.
- **New Holly**
- **Legacy Portfolio**
  - Throwback to the beginning of the year, Fella asked the team about 2 goals. Emphasizes how we really need to be diligent with our Legacy documents, and how by June most of the details should be filled in.

### 4. **Sustainability Officer: Leila Le**

- **Hiring Committee Meeting.**

- Was going to meet yesterday, but it was postponed, hoping the chair feels better.
- **Will review Free Bikes applications with Monica.**
- **Will participate in the Student of Color Conference this week!**
  - Looking forward to attending the students of color conference!
- **West Seattle Farmer's Market Tour with Food Pantry this weekend!**
  - The Earth Week Program Participants reached over 200! Give Kudos to all of the team! And was excited to know it was so successful. But it isn't over yet, sponsored by the Food Pantry. There will be a Farmer's Market Tour happening this Sunday! It will take place from 12 to 1. Students participating will receive farm goods and vouchers. Those vouchers could be used at the farmer's market.

## 5. **Communications Officer: Melody Adael Lozano**

- King Arthur's Recipe Contest is TOMORROW!!!!
  - It is going to be an all-day event, from 8 to 1pm. The live baking contest is going to be held at 12-1. If there is anything that USA can do to push this event out, that'd be greatly appreciated. If you are able to attend please do! You are able to have some food, there will be pastry and food pop ups! Reminder there will be 10 finalists! And a trip to Vermont or a 5K cash prize is at stake!
- **Tabling all week Goal, 2/4 days completed**
  - Made a goal for myself to table every single day this week, tabled Monday, tabled at Georgetown Tuesday, and planning on tabling Wednesday and Thursday. I wanted to make an eye catcher to capture the students' attention. I brought out Hussen's otters that he drew and asked the students which ones they would like to see as freebies, like stickers or pins. It seems like there is a favorite but will need to see more votes on which will be the winner as it is too early to tell. Mentioned maybe we could have Georgetown Exclusive Otters like wielding and hi-vise otters!
- **Georgetown Tabling**
  - Referencing the previous point, Georgetown was very nice, Judas and Fella focused more on interacting with students and gaining their input, whereas I was telling them about different events and voting on the otters.

- **Worked on previous Minutes and current Agenda**
- **SOCC is tomorrow**
  - Planning on going to the conference, but the baking contest is also tomorrow, so I am currently debating which event I should go to, considering joining via zoom. Excited for the professional headshot photo shoot!

## 6. **Marketing Officer: Angel Aragon Madrigal**

- **Hiring meeting**
  - Met with the hiring committee on Monday. Mentioned how there were noise complaints, but was able to recover from that, and after the meeting he will be reviewing the different applicants and giving his input to Hussien later.
- **Slideshow**
  - Received an email from Monica that Angel needs to create an end-of-year slideshow, so if anyone has any good photos, please email them to Angel and he will find a way to add them into the slides.
- **Tenure meeting**
  - Just put this in here to remind people of their tenure meetings; mostly everyone here is done, except for Angel and Khang, so it is just a reminder.

## 7. **Treasurer: Sabreen Hussien**

- **Reduction to this year's Budget.**
  - Sabreen is not here to explain, so Melody Lozano is going to briefly explain the situation. In simple terms; last year's USA team accidentally miscalculated our budget. So, we need to reposition where that money is going to be deducted from. Since Sabreen is not here to fully explain, we agreed to table this until next week or whenever Sabreen is available.

## 8. **Issues and Concerns Officer: Khang Thach**

- **Review USA applications with hiring committee**
  - On Monday, Khang was able to review plenty of applicants with the rest of the team. We are not done with it yet. Khang mentions how next week should be the time when we send our interview meeting times.

- **Work with Kano about Pregnancy Testing Project**
  - Khang quickly explains the reasoning and history behind this new project. When at the UW Tour, he saw a table full of free pregnancy tests and wanted to have that over here. So since then, Khang has been researching how to get those pregnancy tests and free Plan B pills. His plan is to ask Monica to buy some pregnancy tests or donations, so there can be some baskets or areas where people can comfortably and privately get them. He explains how he would want to have a private or “modest” way to get those tests. The new SMART food lockers or vending machines have been mentioned. He is thinking of creating a plan so it can be passed down to next year’s team because as it is almost the end of the year, he will not have any time.
- **Scholarship Workshop**
  - Yesterday, Khang worked with Kano at the scholarship workshop. A good amount of people came; about 10+ students came to the workshop. Jason from the tutoring center was able to help students with their essays for the workshop.
- **Going to SOCC tomorrow**

## 9. **Advisor: Monica Lundberg**

- **Spring Fling Dunk Tank Survey**
  - Dean Dennis will be filling in for Monica today, as she is sick. We confirmed the dunk tank for Spring Fling on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Figuring out how we will reach out for students and professors to see who wants to be dunked or who they want to dunk.
- **May 11 Tribal Government to Government meeting helpers**
  - Mentioned how at SSC will be the Govt. To Govt. Summit, so please make sure you sign up as a helper for the event.
- **May 13 Pres Brown at USA meeting**
  - Date has been confirmed.
- **May 14 BOT meeting at South**
  - Make sure we have a representative for the BOT meeting. This contradicts with USA’s Sponsored Mural Painting session from 2-4, so we will try and reschedule.
- **End of year event**

**Next Meeting:** May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Committees

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Officer</b>	<b>Meetings Held</b>
<b>USA Bylaws (Winter Quarter)</b>	<b>Chair Hussen</b>	<b>TBD</b>
<b>USA Budget (Winter Quarter)</b>	<b>Chair Sabreen</b>	<b>TBD</b>
<b>Student Fee Committee</b>	<b>TBD Chair Sabreen</b>	<b>TBD Advisor Dennis</b>
<b>Strategic Advisory Council, Former College Council</b>	<b>TBD Hussen/Judas</b>	<b>TBD Contact Chair Christa Zink</b>
<b>Safety Committee</b>	<b>Leila</b>	<b>TBD Contact Bryan Jellum</b>
<b>Faculty Tenure: Library</b>	<b>Fella</b>	<b>TBD Contact</b>
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<b>Faculty Tenure: ISS</b>	<b>Khang</b>	<b>TBD Chair Eileen</b>
<b>Faculty Tenure: Psychology</b>	<b>Sabreen</b>	<b>TBD Chair Eileen</b>

### **USA Weekly Tabling Schedule – Spring Quarter**

Mondays:

Tuesdays:

Wednesdays:

Thursdays:

Meeting Adjourned at: 12:15 PM

Agenda and Minutes by: Melody Adael Lozano