MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-RIVER FALLS
STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT SENATE
of Tuesday, December 1st , 2009, 7:00pm
Willow River Room of the University Center

I. CALL TO ORDER:
II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:
III. INTRODUCTIONS OF GUESTS:
IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- Moved by Director Nelson, and Seconded by Director Monson. 1 Abstention, Everyone else approved.
- Motion for an AFAB caucus for five minutes moved by Chair Halverson, and seconded by Senator Harshman. 1-No, approved by everyone else. Adjourned by President Brock at 7:03PM. President Brock called the meeting back to order at 7:08PM.

V. OPEN FORUM
VI. SHARED GOVERNANCE REPORTS:

A. STUDENT SENATE DIRECTOR REPORTS:
1. SHARED GOVERNANCE DIRECTOR- Beth DeLong
- Will look into broomball next semester
- Will be assigning people to leg. Affairs.

2. STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ACADEMIC SERVICES DIRECTOR- Kayla Godes
- Student Walk will be postponed until next semester.

3. LEGISLATIVE ISSUES DIRECTOR- Alex Nelson
- Received information about a lawyer to contact for free legal advice along with a law student from the University of Minnesota

4. DIVERSITY INITATIVES DIRECTOR- Brent Hopkins
- No Report

5. WOMEN AND GENDER INITIATIVES DIRECTOR-Lee Monson
- Looking into programming options related to eating disorders.
- Looking into healthcare reform related to abortion rights.

6. PARLIAMENTARIAN/ ETHICS CHAIR- Katy Van Putten

B. ALLOCABLE FEE APROPRIATIONS BOARD CHAIR- Tyler Halverson
- Talked with Forensics tonight, and will be looking into things further.
- Turned down funding for Alpha Tou Alpha.

C. FACILITIES AND FEES BOARD CHAIR-Patrick Okan
- Budget is due in the beginning of March, it will be coming to Senate before then.

D. STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT SENATE ADVISOR – Paul Shepherd
- No Report

E. VICE PRESIDENT REPORT- Daniel Scott
- Office hours due this Friday.

F. PRESIDENT REPORT- Joshua Brock
- Working on OrgSync.
- Looking for volunteers to find a gift for the Chancellor for his inauguration.

VII. OTHER COMMITTEES/ UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE REPORTS:

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

SS-09-10-031

Whereas, Take Back the Night is an important event for the safety of the student population in protection against rape and assault;

Whereas, self defense is an important aspect of assault safety;

Whereas, one of Student Senate's functions is to look out for the well-being of the student body;

Whereas, Fight Back Productions is an experienced and capable teacher in the practice self defense;

Therefore, be it resolved that $3500 be allocated out of the University Student Reserve Account to bring Fight Back Productions to campus for a self defense seminar during or close to the timeframe of Take Back the Night.

Moved by: Lee Monson
Seconded by: Brittany Williams

- Motion withdrawn by motion author Director Monson. Unanimously Consented by all.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

SS-09-10-034
Whereas, several committees are in need of official members and;

Whereas, the following names have been submitted and all are qualified;

Therefore be it resolved that the following people be appointed to their respective committees immediately.

University Budget Committee
Laura Hanson

University Centers Committee
Tyler Latz
Amber Bakeman
William Larson
Lindsey Neby
Katrin Seaborg

Document Revision ad hoc
Katy Van Putten

Moved by: Director DeLong
Seconded by: Senator Kirchner

- Motion approved by all.

SS-09-10-035
Whereas, the Forensics club is $2250 in debt;

Whereas, this debt has occurred due to the organization's own negligence;

Whereas, irresponsible spending by student organizations is not tolerated;

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the Student Government to monitor segregated fees;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Allocable Fees Appropriation Board imposes the following sanctions upon the forensics club:

• The organization must pay back its debt at a rate of at least $500 per Semester
- If this $500 per semester is not paid than this organization will be dissolved.
• The organization will not be eligible for ANY student money until the debt is retired
• Upon the debt being retired the organization must wait an additional full school year to receive any student money
- The current advisor of this organization, Dr. James Pratt is hereby banned

from holding the position of account manager for any student organization
• Upon reorganization, the organization must come back to the AFAB to regain organization privileges
• ANY AND ALL future expenditures by this organization or organizations stemming from it must be approved by the Director of Student Life

Be it finally resolved, that this motion carries to future AFAB's and Student Senate until the debt is retired.

Moved by: Chair Halverson
Seconded by: President Brock

- Amendments displayed in red made by motion creator Chair Halverson before debate.
- Motion to strike bullet point 5 made by Chair Halverson, and Seconded by Chair Okan. Yes-4, No-9. Motion Fails.
- Motion to postpone this motion for one week moved by Senator Harshman, seconded by Senator Peterson. Yes-11, No-3. Motion Passes.

SS-09-10-036
Introduction Only

Whereas, the official student representative and governance bodies of the UW-River Falls Student Association (Student Senate and its subcommittees, the Allocable Fee Appropriation Board, and the Facilities and Fees Board and its subcommittees) have for several years operated under the constraints of Wisconsin State Statute 19.84, which reads:

19.84 Public notice.

(1) Public notice of all meetings of a governmental body shall be given in the following manner:

(a) As required by any other statutes; and

(b) By communication from the chief presiding officer of a governmental body or such person's designee to the public, to those news media who have filed a written request for such notice, and to the official newspaper designated under ss. 985.04, 985.05and 985.06 or, if none exists, to a news medium likely to give notice in the area.

(2) Every public notice of a meeting of a governmental body shall set forth the time, date, place and subject matter of the meeting, including that intended for consideration at any contemplated closed session, in such form as is reasonably likely to apprise members of the public and the news media thereof. The public notice of a meeting of a governmental body may provide for a period of public comment, during which the body may receive information from members of the public.

(3) Public notice of every meeting of a governmental body shall be given at least 24 hours prior to the commencement of such meeting unless for good cause such notice is impossible or impractical, in which case shorter notice may be given, but in no case may the notice be provided less than 2 hours in advance of the meeting.

(4) Separate public notice shall be given for each meeting of a governmental body at a time and date reasonably proximate to the time and date of the meeting.

(5) Departments and their subunits in any University of Wisconsin System institution or campus are exempt from the requirements of subs. (1) to (4) but shall provide meeting notice which is reasonably likely to apprise interested persons, and news media who have filed written requests for such notice.

(6) Notwithstanding the requirements of s. 19.83 and the requirements of this section, a governmental body which is a formally constituted subunit of a parent governmental body may conduct a meeting without public notice as required by this section during a lawful meeting of the parent governmental body, during a recess in such meeting or immediately after such meeting for the purpose of discussing or acting upon a matter which was the subject of that meeting of the parent governmental body. The presiding officer of the parent governmental body shall publicly announce the time, place and subject matter of the meeting of the subunit in advance at the meeting of the parent body.;

Whereas, the official student representative and governance bodies of the UW-River Falls Student Association exist as per the requirements of Wisconsin State Statute 36.09(5) as a legally-instituted entity of the University of Wisconsin – River Falls;

Whereas, under Wisconsin State Statute 19.84(5) listed above in full, departments within a University of Wisconsin System are not bound by Wisconsin State Statute 19.84 subsections (1) to (4);

Whereas, the principle of open, accessible meetings is important in a representative governance system;

Whereas, concrete and understandable rules must be established to guarantee the continued accessibility and transparency of meetings concerning student representation;

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Student Association Student Senate acknowledge the legal binding status of Wisconsin State Statute 19.84;

Therefore, be it further resolved, that all official student representative and governance bodies within the UW-River Falls Student Association, in accordance with Wisconsin State Statute 19.84(5), are no longer bound either officially, legally or by precedence to follow the regulations put forward in Wisconsin State Statute 19.84 subsections (1) to (4);

Therefore, be it further resolved, that the Student Association Student Senate approve the creation of a binding policy document to be applied towards the governance and representative bodies of the Student Association;

Therefore, be it further resolved, that such policy be titled the University of Wisconsin-River Falls Student Association Open Meeting Policies;

Therefore, be it further resolved, that Student Senate approve the following revisions to the University of Wisconsin-River Falls Student Association Student Senate By-Laws to be implemented immediately:

General Student Association

ARTICLE III. *Open Meeting Policies*

Section A.

The University of Wisconsin – River Falls Student Association Open Meeting Policies *is the official document outlining rules and regulations created for the lawful operation of representative and governance bodies within the Student Association.*

Section B.

The Student Association Student Senate, Student Senate committees, Allocable Fee Appropriation Board, Facilities and Fees Board, and Facilities and Fees Board committees, as well as any other governance bodies within the Student Association, are bound by the rules and procedures outlined in the University of Wisconsin – River Falls Student Association Open Meeting Policies *document.*

Section C.

Rules and procedures outlined in this document shall carry precedence over any rules listed in University of Wisconsin – River Falls Student Association Open Meeting Policies *document if both documents should conflict.*

ARTICLE ~~III.~~ *IV.* University Committees

ARTICLE ~~IV.~~ *V.* Training

ARTICLE ~~V.~~ *VI.* Finance

ARTICLE ~~VI.~~*VII.* Rights and Responsibilities of the Summer Senator
ARTICLE ~~VII.~~*VIII.* Staff Advisors to the Student Association
ARTICLE ~~VIII.~~ *IX.* Amendments

Therefore, be it further resolved, that Student Senate approve the following *University of Wisconsin – River Falls Student Association Open Meeting Policies* and immediately put them into effect:

1 Overview

1.1 Purpose

1.1.1 This document is written in the spirit of Wisconsin State Statute 19.84. Under 19.84(5), the Student Association is not held to the standards of 19.84 subsections (1) to (4), but the Student Association Student Senate has shown its support to the basic principles of 19.84; fair, honest and open representative governance. Therefore, these policies have been adopted in order to put forth concrete rules and procedures regarding holding meetings within the Student Association and its governance and representative bodies.

1.1.2 This document sets rules for posting of agendas (also known as notice), and rules concerning operation of official meetings within the Student Association, including meetings of Student Senate, Student Senate Committees, the Allocable Fee Appropriations Board, the Facilities and Fees Board, Facilities and Fees Board subcommittees, or any other committees within the Student Association.

1.2 Reference to this document

1.2.1 This document is titled *University of Wisconsin – River Falls Student Association Open Meeting Policies*. References to the *University of Wisconsin – River Falls Student Association Open Meeting Policies* may be given simply as “this document” or as “Open Meeting Policy,” both inside and outside of this document

1.2.2 This document is arranged in Articles, Sections and Clauses. When referencing a specific clause in this document, the clause number shall be displayed in brackets as shown: [X.Y.Z] Where ‘X’ is the article number, ‘Y’ is the section number, and ‘Z’ is the clause number.

2 General Rules

2.1 Overview of Article

2.1.1 Rules put forward in this article apply to Student Senate, Student Senate committees, the Allocable Fee Appropriation Board, the Facilities and Fees Board, Facilities and Fees Board committees, and any subcommittees or ad hoc committees of those bodies listed in this clause.

2.2 Agendas

2.2.1 The term ‘agenda’ shall refer to any official, detailed list of items or business which will be dealt with during an upcoming meeting. All issues which will be brought forward with an official main

motion, debated and deliberated, and resolved with a vote during the meeting must be placed on the agenda prior to that meeting.

2.2.2 Subsidiary or incidental motions relative to an item of business properly notified within an agenda in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order and parliamentary procedure need not be outlined in the agenda before the meeting unless otherwise stated.

2.2.3 Agendas must contain the name of the committee, board, or body scheduled to meet; and the date, time, and location of the meeting.

2.3 Minutes

2.3.1 The term 'minutes' shall refer to any official, detailed record of items of business and discussion which occurred during a past official meeting.

2.3.2 Minutes need not contain specific items of discussion (quotations made by speakers), but should contain a record of attendance, a record of voting, and a record of when and where a meeting convened and when it adjourned.

2.3.3 Minutes need to be corrected (if erroneous) and approved at the next meeting of a body before they are considered part of permanent record.

2.3.4 Minutes recorded at the last official meeting of an academic year must be written up and sent to all voting committee members within 7 days of that meeting. Those members will have 7 days after reception of the minutes to submit corrections to the chair, or recording secretary if the body has a secretary responsible for minutes. After a week, the chair or secretary must post a revised copy of the minutes as official record. This clause also applies if the body involved is sporadic in meeting schedule, or does not meet on a regular basis.

2.4 Posting Rules

2.4.1 Posting shall refer to the placement of official, detailed meeting agendas and minutes in public places.

2.4.2 Posting shall be done on the bulletin board directly behind "Freddy's C-Store" on the University Center first floor, and in the Shared Governance Association Agendas and Minutes binders, located on the right-hand side of the Involvement Center Desk on the University Center first floor.

2.4.3 If the locations listed within [2.4.2] of this document are unavailable (i.e. are removed from their locations), the Student Association Student Senate shall determine proper policy for posting until [2.4.2] of this document can be revised to reflect changes in posting rules. All bodies listed in [2.1.1] of this document must be notified by the Student Association Student Senate President of any new temporary or permanent posting policies as they are approved by the Student Association Student Senate.

2.4.4 Agendas and Minutes shall be submitted to the Student Senate Vice President for review. It is the responsibility of the Vice President to forward those agendas and minutes to the personnel who administer the Student Senate website. Agendas and minutes should be submitted to the Vice President at the same time as when those agendas or minutes are posted in the places listed in clauses [2.4.2] and [2.4.3] of this document.

2.4.5 When posting agendas or minutes, and not after the minimum required time for posting agendas and minutes, the chair or person designated responsible for posting of documents must send via email (or other means as agreed upon by the recipient and the sender) all documents being posted to the following: all members of the committee or body, the Student Association Student Senate Vice President (for placement online as per [2.4.4] above), any person who makes a request with the chair or the body for the minutes and agendas, or any person reasonably expected to be affected by or concerned with the decisions of the body at that meeting.

2.5 Closed Session

2.5.1 A committee, board, or body may enter into closed session with a majority vote of members present. Such entry into closed session must occur in accordance with Wisconsin State Statute 19.85, which can be found at: http://www.legis.state.wi.us/statutes/Stat0019.pdf (page 25)

2.5.2 The agenda of a meeting where an entry into closed session will occur must specify that the body could possibly enter into closed session, as well as specify why closed session is necessary. Only those exemptions explicitly listed in 19.85(1)(a)-(i) may be used as justification.

2.5.3 No voting on main items of business shall occur within closed session. A meeting must reconvene in open session before any business can be passed.

2.5.4 All meetings must be called to order and adjourn in open session.

2.6 Meeting Cancellation

2.6.1 Meetings may be cancelled after official notice of the meeting is posted, and after the required minimum posting time for the specific body in question.

2.6.2 The chair, or the member of the body responsible for posting agendas and minutes, must remove all postings of the cancelled meeting's agenda which were posted in locations listed in [2.4.2] and [2.4.3] of this document. Said person must place instead a notice of cancellation, which will be entered into official record in place of a meeting's agenda.

2.6.3 Notice of cancellation must include all items required in [2.2.3], as well as the time at which notice of cancellation was posted and a specific justification for cancellation.

2.6.4 A body meeting may not be cancelled under any circumstances less than four hours before the scheduled beginning of the meeting.

3 Specific Rules

3.1 Student Senate

3.1.1 All agendas of the Student Association or Student Association Student Senate must be posted at least 24 hours in advance of any meeting.

3.1.2 If an issue is time-sensitive or was added to the agenda after the 24-hour limit, Student Senate may allow the motion onto the agenda for debate and resolution with a 2/3rds majority vote in favor of all voting members present. Members should only allow motions to be added in this way under urgent circumstances.

3.1.3 If a matter is brought forward from the Ethics Committee, it will be heard without question by the Student Association Student Senate at the next Student Senate meeting as long as the Ethics Committee meeting adjourned before the start of the Student Senate meeting where the matter is to be discussed.

3.1.4 Student Senate must post their minutes within 24 hours of the next Student Senate meeting. Student Senate shall follow clause [2.3.4] of this document in regards to the minutes of the final Student Senate meeting of the academic year.

3.2 Allocable Fee Appropriation Board

3.2.1 All agendas of the Allocable Fee Appropriation Board must be posted at least 24 hours in advance of any meeting.

3.2.2 If an issue is time-sensitive or was added to the agenda after the 24-hour limit, the Allocable Fee Appropriation Board may allow the motion onto the agenda for debate and resolution with a majority vote in favor of all voting members present. Members should only allow motions to be added in this way under urgent circumstances.

3.2.3 The Allocable Fee Appropriation Board must post their minutes within 24 hours of the next Student Senate meeting. This board shall follow clause [2.3.4] of this document in regards to the minutes of the meeting of the academic year.

3.3 Facilities and Fees Board

3.3.1 All agendas of the Facilities and Fees Board must be posted at least 24 hours in advance of any meeting.

3.3.2 Matters relating to Facilities and Fees Board Committees may not be added to the agenda after the 24 hour time limit. Committee chairs and the Facilities and Fees Board Chair should ensure that business is properly submitted in advance of posting the agenda, since this board is only required to meet monthly.

3.3.3 Because this board only meets monthly, minutes are required to be posted within 7 days of a meeting, to be approved at the next board meeting unless it is the last meeting of the academic year, in which case it must follow clause [2.3.4] of this document. If another meeting of the Facilities and Fees Board is scheduled to occur within one week, minutes of the previous meeting are then required to be posted at least 24 hours before that meeting.

3.3.4 Rules pertaining to Facilities and Fees Board committees and sub-units are outlined in [3.7.1] – [3.7.4]. Those committees are not bound by the rules established in [3.3.1] – [3.3.4] of this document.

3.4 Student Association Student Senate Ethics Committee

3.4.1 All agendas of the Ethics Committee must be posted at least 24 hours in advance of any meeting.

3.4.2 If one or more people request a meeting for Ethics Committee to make an interpretation of documents, the agenda must contain the name(s) of those filing the request and a general synopsis of the request. Minutes of the meeting should contain the initial request, as well as pertinent decisions made in the meeting, and the resulting interpretation as determined by the committee.

3.4.3 If an ethics complaint is brought forward, those people who moved and/or seconded said complaint, as well as those implicated or disciplined by the result of said complaint must be listed on the committee agenda, in addition to a brief description of the charge(s). Minutes of the meeting should contain the same information, in addition to the final ruling made by the committee on the matter.

3.4.4 Because of the irregularity of Ethics Committee meetings, this committee must follow clause [2.3.4] of this document unless another meeting of the Ethics Committee is already scheduled within a week, in which case minutes should be posted 24 hours in advance of the next scheduled meeting.

3.5 Student Association Student Senate Elections Committee

3.5.1 All agendas of the Elections Committee must be posted at least 24 hours in advance of any meeting.

3.5.2 Minutes of the Elections Committee should follow clause [2.3.4] of this document unless another meeting of the Elections Committee is already scheduled within a week, in which case minutes should be posted 24 hours in advance of the next scheduled meeting.

3.6 Student Association Student Senate Executive Committee

3.6.1 All agendas of the Student Association Student Senate Executive Committee must be posted at least 24 hours in advance of any meeting.

3.6.2 If an issue is time-sensitive or was added to the agenda after the 24-hour limit, the Student Senate Executive Committee may allow the motion onto the agenda for debate and resolution with a 2/3^{rds} majority vote in favor of all voting members present. Members should only allow motions to be added in this way under urgent circumstances.

3.6.3 The Student Senate Executive Committee must post their minutes within 24 hours of the next Executive Committee meeting. Executive Committee shall follow clause [2.3.4] of this document in regards to the minutes of the final Executive Committee meeting of the academic year.

3.7 Student Senate Committees

3.7.1 The Shared Governance, Student Affairs and Academic Services, Legislative Affairs, Diversity Initiatives, Women and Gender Initiatives, and Executive Committees of the Student Association Student Senate, as well as any Ad Hoc committees created as subsidiary committees of the Student Association or Student Association Student Senate, are subject to the rules of this section.

3.7.2 All committees listed in this section must post meeting agendas within 4 hours of their meetings. Urgent or important business not placed on the agenda on-time may be added to the agenda during the meeting with a majority vote of voting members present, under extreme circumstances only.

3.7.3 All committees listed must post their minutes within 12 hours of their next meeting. If the committee has held their final meeting for the semester, they must abide by clause [2.3.4] of this document.

3.7.4 Committees of Student Senate may meet without an agenda during or immediately after (within 15 minutes) the meeting of the Student Association Student Senate, so long as the meeting is announced to the general public during the Student Senate meeting. Adequate minutes of this meeting must be recorded and posted as per clause [3.6.3] of this document.

3.8 Facilities and Fees Board Committees

3.8.1 The Student Health Advisory Committee, Dining Services Advisory Committee, Recreation Committee, Residence Hall Association, Student Technology Committee, Textbook Services

Committee, and the University Centers Committee, and any subsidiary bodies, committees, or executive committees within are subject to this section.

3.8.2 All committees listed in this section must post meeting agendas within 2 hours of their meetings. Urgent or important business not placed on the agenda on-time may be added to the agenda during the meeting with a majority vote of voting members present, under extreme circumstances only.

3.8.3 All committees listed must post their minutes within 12 hours of their next meeting. If the committee has held their final meeting for the semester, they must abide by clause [2.3.4] of this document.

3.8.4 If any committees listed meet sporadically or are not required to meet more often than monthly, they must post and approve minutes following clause [2.3.4] of this document under all circumstances, unless a meeting of the same body is already scheduled to occur within 7 days.

4 Authority

4.1 Authority of this document

4.1.1 This document has been adopted by the Student Association Student Senate as the official document governing open meeting operation.

4.1.2 This document and its rules are officially binding to all members, senators, and officers of the Student Association Student Senate and Student Senate Committees, and to members and officers of the Allocable Fee Appropriation Board and Facilities and Fees Board.

4.1.3 The Student Association Student Senate Ethics Committee, subject to Student Association Student Senate approval, is responsible for upholding the various rules put forth in this document.

4.2 Violations of this Document

4.2.1 The Student Senate Ethics committee may at its own behest investigate any alleged violation (infractions) of this document.

4.2.2 A student may file a request with the Ethics Committee chair requesting that the committee investigate Open Meeting Policy infraction(s). The committee is obligated to carry out an investigation, and report its findings to the student filing the request.

4.2.3 If the committee discovers an infraction in Open Meeting Policy, the chair must state in the minutes of the Ethics Committee meeting the specific evidence behind the ruling on the infraction.

4.2.4 If a committee or party is found in violation of this document by the Student Association Student Senate Ethics Committee, the Ethics Committee chair must write a report to Student Senate stating the infraction(s), the perpetrator(s), the ruling of the Ethics Committee on the matter, and the suggested disciplinary measure to be levied. Student Senate will confirm or deny the infraction(s), and assess an appropriate disciplinary measure. The Student Association Student Senate may amend or eliminate with a majority vote of those members present, the disciplinary suggestion put forward by the Ethics Committee chair.

4.2.5 If the Ethics Committee is accused of violating any portion of this document, the alleged infraction shall be brought forward at the next meeting of the Student Association Student Senate without need of Ethics Committee ruling.

4.2.6 If the Student Association Student Senate as a whole or the Student Association Vice President are accused of violating any portion of this document, the alleged infraction shall be addressed as stated in clause [4.2.4]. If the Ethics Committee identifies an infraction, the infraction will go before the Student Association Student Senate as stated in [4.2.5], with the Vice President or those directly named as violators not eligible to receive the gavel at any time while the matter of the infraction has the floor.

4.2.7 If a matter was voted on in a meeting later found to be held in violation of this document, those matters may be ruled null and void by the Student Senate Ethics Committee, subject to Student Senate approval. Minor infractions should not warrant such a ruling, but major infractions or repeated minor infractions should result in the actions carried out being ruled null and void.

4.3 Disciplinary Standards

4.3.1 The following clauses are given only as standards for addressing infractions to this document. Student Senate should use sound judgment in determining proper disciplinary measures for infractions.

4.3.2 A minor infraction of this document by any person or body should result only in a written warning towards the party or parties in violation of the document.

4.3.3 Repeated minor infractions of this document by any person or body should result in a loss of financial stipend, or suspension from their positions within the Student Association, for a specified period.

4.3.4 Major infractions, or persistent minor infractions of this document by any person or body should result in permanent loss of stipend or removal from such positions, with repeat major violations resulting in definite removal.

5 Changes to Open Meeting Policy

5.1 Amendments

5.1.1 Review of this document is the responsibility of the Student Senate Executive Committee or a designated Ad hoc committee. Changes to this document are considered minor policy changes and only require the approval of the Student Senate Executive Committee and Student Senate.

5.1.2 Changes to this document require a one week wait from the time they are introduced on the Student Senate agenda to the time they may be debated or voted upon.

5.1.3 All changes, unless noted on the motion differently, go into effect the first day of the next academic year.

5.2 Suspension of rules

5.2.1 Since fair, open and public meetings are essential for fair representation in the Shared Governance system, under no circumstances may any or all portions of the Open Meeting Policies be suspended for any length of time by any committee or body.

Therefore, be it further resolved, that a copy of *University of Wisconsin – River Falls Student Association Open Meeting Policies* be printed and be placed in the Student Association Student Senate office for use as a reference for committee chairs;

Therefore, be it finally resolved, that a copy of *University of Wisconsin – River Falls Student Association Open Meeting Policies* be forwarded to the following people: Paul Shepherd, Matt Levine, Gregg Heinselman, Larry Testa, Jerry Waller, Steven Stocker, Sandi Scott-Duex, Alice Reilly- Myklebust, Stephen Reed, Virgil Monroe, Cara Rubis, and all directors and chairs of Student Senate committees and boards.

Moved by Chair Okan
Seconded by President Brock

- Motion to strike "general outline of discussion" form section 2.3.2 moved by Senator Harshman and Seconded by Chair Van Putten. –Yes-8, No-4. Motion approved.
- Motion to call to question moved by Director Hopkins, seconded by Senator Peterson. Abstention-1, Everyone else approved.

SS-09-10-037

First Part

Whereas, Cindy Bendix has tendered an official resignation as of November 30, 2009,

Whereas, Chair Halverson is the only Chair of AFAB,

Therefore, be it resolved that Chair Halverson be officially reaffirmed as Chair of AFAB,

Second Part

Whereas, Cindy Bendix is justly owed the partial stipend of $100.00,

Therefore, be it further resolved, that $100.00 out of Shared Governance Account be paid to Cindy Bendix upon Senate's approval.

Moved by: Senator Harshman
Seconded by:President Brock

AFAB approved

- Motion to divide the question between the second whereas clause and the second therefore clause moved by Director Monson and Seconded by Director Nelson. Yes-9. No-4.
- First Part- 1 Abstention, Everyone else approved.
- Second Part- Yes-10, No-3. Motion Passes.
    - Motion to postpone for one week moved by Director Monson, and Seconded by Senator Williams. Yes-2, No-11. Motion fails.

I. ADDITIONAL ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Director Hopkins-Student Senate should become more active in issues which influence the campus, and draw in participation from the wider student body.
- Chair Okan- Looking for people to join the Document Revision Ad Hoc Committee. Please email Director DeLong if interested.

II. ADJOURNMENT:

- Moved to adjourn by Director Nelson, and seconded by Chair Okan. All approved. President Brock adjourned at 8:10PM.

The next meeting for the semester of the Student Association Student Senate will be
Tuesday, December 8th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Willow River Room of the University Center.