AGENDA OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-RIVER FALLS
STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT SENATE
of Tuesday, February 8, 2005
Regents Room of the Hagestad Student Center

I. CALL TO ORDER
II. ROLL OF MEMBERS
III. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS
IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
V. GUEST SPEAKER
VI. OPEN FORUM
VII. SHARED GOVERNANCE REPORTS

A. UNITED STATES STUDENT ASSOCIATION REPORTS
B. UNITED COUNCIL REPORTS
C. STUDENT SENATE DIRECTOR REPORTS
1. SHARED GOVERNANCE DIRECTOR - Johnathan Gavin
2. STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ACADEMIC SERVICES DIRECTOR - Nick Cluppert
3. LEGISLATIVE ISSUES DIRECTOR - Joe Eggers
4. FINANCE DIRECTOR – Adam Koski
5. DIVERSITY ISSUES DIRECTOR – Georgia Wagner
6. WOMEN'S INITIATIVES DIRECTOR- Kendra Plant
7. PARLIMENTARIAN / ETHICS CHAIR – Jeremy Zitzow
8. VICE PRESIDENT - Emilee Driscoll
9. PRESIDENT - Matthew Schuelke
D. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRAMMING BOARD CHAIR- Carolyn Schenk
E. FACILITIES AND FEES BOARD CHAIR- Nick Sirek

VIII. OTHER

VIX. UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE REPORTS

X. OLD BUSINESS

SS0405030

Whereas the Student Association Student Senate Directors, Vice President, President, F& F Chair, and LDPB Chair are given a stipend for the month of January, which is during J-Term, and

Whereas most or all of the aforementioned Shared Governance leaders are neither on campus nor actively working at their duties in January or at least by a lessened amount, and

Whereas by logical extension, the Student Senate Presidential stipend for the months of June, July, and August is excessive, and

Whereas the Student Association will benefit from the ability to allocate the monies designated as Stipends elsewhere, and

Whereas the Academic Calendar is subject to changes that lessen work of Shared Governance Leaders on some months, therefore

Be it resolved that the Student Senate approve the following changes to the Student Senate Bylaws.

ARTICLE V. FINANCE SECTION C. STIPENDS

1. Compensation for members of the Student Association will be limited to the following amounts for the listed positions:

   (a) Student Senate President: ~~$225/month~~ *$900/semester*—paid on*/about* the last day of the ~~month June-May~~ *Fall and the Spring Semesters*

   (b) Student Senate Directors, Vice President, Facilities and Fees Board Chair, and Leadership Development and Programming Board Chair: ~~$150/month~~ *$600/semester*—paid on*/about* the last day of the ~~month Sept.-May~~ Fall *and the Spring Semesters*

(Original wording ~~struck out~~, *italics* new things)

This motion is effective immediately.

Motioned by: Adam Koski

Seconded by: Lindsey Burdick

SS0405031

Whereas the Student Association Student Senator works to fulfill the Mission Statement, and

Whereas the Student Senator is an elected position representing UWRF students, and

Whereas the Student Senator, in fact as well as in the description of Student Association Student Senate Bylaws Article 2 Senator Duties: attends meetings, works in committees, participates in projects, and maintains a minimum of ten hours every two weeks in the office or event for their term, and

Whereas the Student Association Student Senator receives no compensation for these services although other students working on campus do receive compensation, and

Whereas there was the termination of some stipends in a recently passed motion, and

Whereas the proposed compensation is modest and feasible within the Shared Governance Budget, therefore

Be it resolved that the Student Senate approve the following changes to the Student Senate Bylaws.

ARTICLE V. FINANCE SECTION C. STIPENDS

Compensation for members of the Student Association will be limited to the following amounts for the listed positions:

(c) Student Senate Ethics Chair/Parliamentarian and Student Senators: $100/semester—paid about the last day of the Fall Semester and the Spring Semester.

(Original wording ~~struck out~~, *italics* new things)

This motion is effective upon the end of the 04-05 Academic Year.

Motioned by: Adam Koski

Seconded by: Lindsey Burdick

SS0405032

Whereas the Student Association Student Senate has the position of the Summer Student Senator, and

Whereas the Student Senate does not need to pay the Presidential Stipend to the President or a Student Senator designee for working during the time of J-Term or Summer Semester, when campus activities and student issues are lessened and slower though not ceased, and

Whereas a modest compensation for a member of the Student Association work is both proper and feasible, and

Whereas these stipends are effective decreases with the termination of the January Stipends and the Presidential Stipend for the months of June-Aug., therefore

Be it resolved that the Student Senate approve the following changes to the Student Senate Bylaws.

ARTICLE V. FINANCE SECTION C. STIPENDS

Compensation for members of the Student Association will be limited to the following amounts for the listed positions:

(d) Summer Student Senator: $300 – paid on/about the last day of the Summer Semester

(e) Winter Student Senator: $100 – paid on/about the last day of the J-Term

Be it further resolved that the Student Senate approve the additional following changes to the Student Senate Bylaws.

ARTICLE VI. Rights and Responsibilities of the Summer Senator *and Winter Senator*

Section A These rights apply the Student Association Student Senate President, or her/his designee during the time between the end of the Spring Semester and the beginning of the Fall Semester *for the Summer Senator and during the time between the end of the Fall Semester and the beginning of the Spring Semester for the Winter Senator.*

Section B The Student Association Student Senate Summer/*Winter* Senator may approve any item of business requiring approval by the Student Association, its units and subunits, as long as the following conditions are followed:

The Student Association Student Senate Summer/*Winter* Senator discusses the issue, prior to making a decision, with the Executive Committee.

Section C The Student Association Student Senate Summer/*Winter* Senator or designee must attend all meetings requiring student representation.

Section D The Student Association Student Senate Summer/*Winter* Senator must produce a monthly newsletter updating all Student Senators and Board Chair of activities taking place on campus and actions taken by the Student Association Student Senate Summer/*Winter* Senator.

Section E If the Student Association Student Senate President cannot fulfill these requirements *as Summer/Winter Senator*, he/she must designate a student to take her/his place. If this occurs, the designee will be paid the ~~President's~~ *Summer/Winter Student Senator* stipend for the month(s) he/she serves. In addition, the President will not receive ~~a~~ *the Summer/Winter Student Senator* stipend for the month(s) he/she has designated someone to take her/his place.

(Original wording ~~struck out~~, *italics* new things)

This motion is effective immediately.

Motioned by: Adam Koski

Seconded by: Lindsey Burdick

SS0405033

Whereas stipend compensation is monies of the members of the UWRF Student Association until they are given, and

Whereas Shared Governance leaders should do their work to the best of their abilities, and

Whereas a violator of the Ethics Rules should not be compensated with student monies, therefore

Be it resolved that the Student Senate approve the following changes to the Student Senate Bylaws.

ARTICLE V. FINANCE SECTION C. STIPENDS

2. Compensation for members of the Student Association will be withheld or appropriately diminished for the following conditions:
   - (a) Failure to perform his/her duties to the satisfaction of the Executive Committee
   - (b) Failure to fulfill the Ethics Rules to the satisfaction of the Student Association Student Senate

(Original wording ~~struck out~~, *italics* new things)

This motion is effective immediately.

Motioned by: Adam Koski

Seconded by: Lindsey Burdick

XI. NEW BUSINESS

SS0405034

Whereas, the duty of the Women's Initiatives Committee is to initiateprojects concerning women's initiatives and to network with campus students and student organizations to provide forum for review and responses to Women's Initiatives,

Whereas, the V-Day College Campaign offers three free performances of "The Vagina Monologues" to our university as a benefit to raise awareness about violence against women,

Whereas, there are three performances of "The Vagina Monologues" scheduled for February 17th, 18th, and 19th at 7:30 p.m. in Brandy's of the Student Center,

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Student Association Student Senate allocate $300 for publications, programs, tickets, a Student Voice Advertisement, and other miscellaneous production costs.

Moved By: Kendra Plant

Seconded By: Nick Cluppert

SS0405035

Whereas, AJR66 was introduced in the 2003-2004 session which would further define marriage as between a man and a woman and a similar bill will likely be introduced in the current session,

Whereas, if this legislation is passed again by the legislator, there will be a referendum for the citizens of Wisconsin to amend the state's constitutional definition of marriage,

Whereas, the University of Wisconsin-River Falls would have a difficult time recruiting and retaining quality faculty and maintaining an inclusive campus climate if the state constitution is changed,

Therefore be it resolved, that the UW-RF Student Association Student Senate take a firm stance against AJR66 and similar bills,

Be it further resolved, that the Student Senate take action with our legislators and forward this motion on to Senator Harsdorf, Representative Rhoads, and Governor Doyle.

Moved By: Nick Cluppert
Seconded By: Kendra Plant

SS0405036

Whereas, according to Article V: Specific Officer Duties, Section B: Vice President of the Student Senate By-Laws, it is the responsibility of the Vice-President of the Student Association Student Senate to appoint the Student Senate Elections Committee membership, and

Whereas, the appointment process is subject to approval of the Senate, and

Whereas, the Spring 2005 Student Senate Elections Committee will be accountable to uphold the standards, and responsibilities set forth in the University of Wisconsin – River Falls Student Association Election Rules Document, and

Whereas, the following individuals are capable and dedicated to the mission of the Student Association Student Senate, and

Therefore be it resolved that the following individuals comprise the Spring 2005 Student Senate Elections committee:

Joseph Eggers
Louis Muench
Kendra Plant

Moved By: Emilee Driscoll
Seconded By: Erica Pieske

XII. ADDITIONAL ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: Spring 2005 Student Senate Elections Committee, please meet with Emilee to set up a meeting time to review Election Rules, standards, and responsibilities, as well as set a timeline and promotional plan. THANK YOU!

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting for the semester of the Student Association Student Senate will be Tuesday, February 15, 2005 in the Regents Room of the Hagestad Student Center