MINUTES FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-RIVER FALLS
STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT SENATE
Of Tuesday, September 11th, 2007
129 Wyman Education Building

I. CALL TO ORDER:
-At 7pm
II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS
III. INTRODUCTIONS OF GUESTS
IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
-Minutes Approved
V. GUEST SPEAKER:
-No guest speakers
VI. OPEN FORUM
-Diversity issues on campus
VII. SHARED GOVERNANCE REPORTS:

A. STUDENT SENATE DIRECTOR REPORTS:
1. LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS DIRECTOR
-Wisconsin/UW Budget issues
2. FINANCE DIRECTOR
-Accounts finance meets Friday at 2pm
3. DIVERSITY ISSUES DIRECTOR
- Meets Friday at 4pm in Cedar Room
4. VICE PRESIDENT
-Motions due Mondays by 12pm
-Office Hours due by Fridays at 4pm
- Senate Exec Board meetings on Mondays at 4pm
5. PRESIDENT
-Election Petitions due Friday at 4pm
-open positions, 1st year spots
-Senate photos next week
B. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRAMMING BOARD CHAIR
-Meeting Wednesday 12th, 2007
-More updates next week
C. FACILITIES AND FEES BOARD CHAIR
-Waiting to organize sub committees

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
-No unfinished business

IX. NEW BUSINESS

SS0708004

Whereas, the Student Association Student Senate does not currently have a Ethics committee chair and parliamentarian, and

Whereas Nathan McNaughton has shown interest in the position and seems well qualified,

Therefore, be it resolved that Nathan McNaughton be appointed the Chairman of the Ethics committee and parliamentarian for the remained of the 2007-2008 academic year.

Moved by: Vice President Deick
Seconded by: President Brandt

-Motion Passes

SS0708005

Whereas, the Diversity Issues committee and Women's Initiative committee have successfully collaborated on projects in the past, and

Whereas, the combination of these two committees would be mutually beneficial,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Diversity Issues and Women's Initiatives committees be combined to form the Diversity Initiatives committee, and

Be it resolved, these changes be reflected in the by-laws as outline below, and

Be it further resolved, that the current Diversity Issues Director Nikki Shonoiki be named Director of the Diversity Initiatives committee, and

Be it finally resolved, that these changes become effective immediately.

ARTICLE IV General Officers Duties
Section A.
Officers of the Student Association Student Senate shall be the: President,
Vice President, Shared Governance Director, Student Affairs and
Academic Services Director, Legislative Issues Director, Finance Director, Diversity ~~Issues~~ *Initiatives* Director and *Co-Director*, ~~Women's Initiatives Director~~, and
Parliamentarian & Ethics Chair.

Section D.
The Student Association Student Senate President's line of succession for
absence in office and passing the gavel at Student Association Student
Senate meetings will be:
1) Vice President
2) Shared Governance Director
3) Student Affairs and Academic Services Director
4) Legislative Issues Director
5) Finance Director
6) Diversity ~~Issues~~ *Initiatives* Director
7) ~~Women's Issue's Director~~ *Diversity Initiatives Co-Director*
8)Parliamentarian & Ethics Chair
9) Other non-officer Student Senators based on longevity as a Student
Senator.

ARTICLE V Specific Officer Duties
Section G.
Diversity ~~Issues~~ *Initiatives* Director and *Co-Director*
1. To serve as the chairs of the Student Association Student Senate Diversity ~~Issues~~ *Initiatives* Committee.
2. To recruit diverse student membership to University and Student Association Student Senate committees.
3. To carry out responsibilities as charged in various Student Association documents.
4. To report at the Diversity Awareness Committee once a month.
5. To work with representatives from any diversity oriented committees on the UW--River Falls campus about upcoming issues or problems.

6. To report at all Student Association and Student Association Student Senate meetings.
7. To insure representation that is reflective of the population of women of students and staff at UW—River Falls.
8. To work with the Women's Studies Coordinator on projects and issues pertaining to women's Initiatives.
9. To work with representatives across campus to address upcoming events or problems pertaining to women.

Section H.
~~Women's Initiatives Director~~
~~1. To serve as the chair of the Student Association Student Senate Women's Initiatives Committee.~~
~~2. To insure representation that is reflective of the population of women of students and staff at UW—River Falls.~~
~~3. To work with the Women's Studies Coordinator on projects and issues pertaining to Women's Initiatives.~~
~~4. To work with representatives across campus to address upcoming events or problems pertaining to women.~~
~~5. To work with the Diversity issues Director on matters pertaining to issues regarding Diversity.~~
~~6. To report at all Student Association and Student Association Student Senate meetings.~~
~~7. To carry out responsibilities as charged in various Student Association documents.~~

ARTICLE VI Standing Committees

Section F.
Diversity ~~Issues~~ *Initiative* Committee
1. Membership
a) This committee will consist of ~~four~~ *six* Student Senators, ~~one~~ two of which must be the Diversity ~~Issues~~ *Initiatives* Director *and Co-Director* and four students at large. *At least one student with women's studies minor must sit on the committee.*
2. Committee Duties
a) To be responsible for the initiation, reviews, and support of projects and policies concerning diversity issues *and women's initiatives*.
b) To promote diversity issues *and women's initiatives* and concerns to appropriate members of the UW-River Falls faculty and administration, UW System Administration, UW Board of Regents, Wisconsin state legislature, Wisconsin Governor, United States Congress, and President of the United States.
c) To network with campus student organizations to provide a forum for review and response to issues of diversity *and women's initiatives*.
d) To network with campus student and faculty committees active in diversity issues *and women's initiatives*.
e) To network with other UW system diversity issues *and women's initiatives* groups.

~~Section G.~~
~~Women's Initiatives Committee~~
~~1. Membership~~
~~a) This committee will consist of four Student Senators, one of which must be the Women's Initiatives Director and four students at-large. At least one student with women's studies minor must sit on the committee.~~
~~2. Committee Duties~~
~~a) To be responsible for the initiation, reviews, support of projects and policies concerning Women's Initiatives.~~

~~b) To promote Women's Initiatives and concerns to appropriate members of the UW-River Falls faculty and administration, UW System administration, UW Board of Regents, Wisconsin state legislature, Wisconsin Governor, United States Congress, and the President of the United States.~~
~~c) To network with campus student organizations to provide forum for review and responses to Women's Initiatives.~~
~~d) To network with campus student and faculty committees active in Women's Initiatives.~~
~~e) To network with other UW system Women's Initiatives groups.~~

Moved by: Director Schultz
Seconded by: President Brandt

-Motion will be voted on next week

SS0708006

Whereas, the state of Wisconsin has yet to pass a budget for the 2007-2009 biennium.

Whereas, 195 UWRF students are unsure whether they will have the WHEG grants that will allow them to be able to afford college.

Whereas, The Wisconsin State Senate and the bipartisan Joint Committee on Finance essentially agreed to the budget recommendations of Gov. Jim Doyle for the UW System and UW-River Falls.

Whereas, The Wisconsin Assembly made substantial reductions to the UW system and the UWRF budget in the version of the budget it passed.

Therefore be it resolved that the UWRF student urge the conference committee to approve the budget for the UW system budget that was agreed upon by Gov. Jim Doyle, the Joint Committee on Finance, and the Wisconsin State Senate.

Moved by: Director Witte
Seconded by: Vice President Deick

-Motion Passes

SS0708007

Whereas Diversity Issues Committee is committed to gathering information about ways to better serve our students, and

Whereas the Multicultural Awareness Project for Institutional Transformation (MAPIT) Survey was administered last spring to evaluate our campus, and

Whereas a motion was approved during the 2006-2007 Senate session to fund prizes for student participation in the MAPIT survey, and

Whereas the funding wasn't allocated before last session ended,

Therefore be it Resolved that Student Association Student Senate Allocate $500.00 for prizes to be raffled off to students who complete the MAPIT survey.

Motioned by: Director Shonoiki

Seconded by: Director Schultz
Approved by the Finance Committee

-Motion will be voted on next week

X. ADDITIONAL ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:
- -Voting for Ethics Committee
- -9/11 Memorial
- -UW Budget Issue – write letters
- -Next Student Senate meeting will be in the Willow River Room
- -Health and human performance petition
  - -Signatures and letters from students

XI. ADJOURNMENT:
-At 7:29pm

The next meeting for the semester of the Student Association Student Senate will be Tuesday, September 18, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Willow River Room of the University Center