MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-RIVER FALLS
STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT SENATE
of Tuesday, September 9th, 2008
Willow River Room of the University Center

I. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00pm
II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS Cindy Bendix, Casie Kelley, Matt Dale, Sara Deick, Jason Meier, Tyler Halverson, Nikki Shonoiki, Linda Abel, Jenifer Biss, Antonette Guider, Craig Witte, Krista Hasselquist, Mike Defenbaugh
III. INTRODUCTIONS OF GUESTS: Ben Casper, Keila Tirado, Maggie Funk, Sarah Egerstrom, Greg Heinselman, Aaron Taylor
IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: motioned by Director Halverson; seconded by Director Dale; minutes passed
V. GUEST SPEAKER:
VI. OPEN FORUM
VII. SHARED GOVERNANCE REPORTS:

A. STUDENT SENATE DIRECTOR REPORTS:
1. SHARED GOVERNANCE DIRECTOR – Sara Deick
Everyone needs to send list of members in committees to me.
2. STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ACADEMIC SERVICES- Tyler Halverson
First meeting Monday at 6pm; will work and brainstorm on survey
3. LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS DIRECTOR –Matt Dale
Meetings Friday at 3pm; anyone interested in Leg Affairs let me know
4. FINANCE DIRECTOR- Jason Meier
Will discuss 3 motions at Thursday meeting
5. DIVERSITY ISSUES/WOMEN'S INITIATIVES CO-DIRECTOR – Nikki Shonoiki
We need co-director; checking on Multicultural Center and how many members can be on my committee
6. DIVERSITY ISSUES/WOMEN'S INITIATIVES CO-DIRECTOR – Vacant
7. PARLIAMENTARIAN/ ETHICS CHAIR – Vacant
8. VICE PRESIDENT- Casie Kelley
Hours will be due Tuesday 23rd at 4pm (in purple binder on file cabinet in office)
9. PRESIDENT- Cindy Bendix
Petitions for fall elections are out; met with group about Strategic Planning

B. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRAMMING BOARD CHAIR- Mike Defenbaugh
LDPB met Thursday; 2 new people joined; looking into the budget process; meetings are Thursdays at 4pm in the Mississippi; explained 7 sub committees

C. FACILITIES AND FEES BOARD CHAIR- Krista Hasselquist

D. STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT SENATE ADVISOR – Gregg Heinselman
Chapter 17 going through rewrite; will be presented at Board of Regents' next two meeting

VIII. OTHER COMMITTEES/ UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE REPORTS

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

X. NEW BUSINESS

SS0809004-- INTRODUCTORY ONLY
Whereas, the upcoming elections are of major importance as they will determine U.S. policy on a national, state, and local level;

Whereas, the Student Association Student Senate has a strong precedent of leading the community in voter registration projects in previous years through the allocation of funds and volunteer work;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Student Association Student Senate hereby approve the allocation of the following funds towards a comprehensive voter registration project-

Fall Voter Registration 2008 Budget Request- $1612

- $700 for at least two sets of flyers and address stickers to be mailed to every dorm resident of the University of Wisconsin- River Falls
- $252 for Student Voice advertising- one full page ad ($126) and two half page ads ($63 each)
- $300 for miscellaneous equipment or unforeseen expenses
- $360 for posters and Student Voice advertisement design ($210 for three ads + 150 for thirty hall posters)

Be it further resolved that the Student Association Student Senate highly encourage active participation from volunteers across campus to aid in the registration of as many students as possible.

Moved by: Director Dale
Seconded by: Director Deick
Pending Approval by the Finance Committee
Director Dale: This is more ambitious; cost is a little higher; asked those previously involved for opinions; will begin second half of the semester

SS0809005-- INTRODUCTORY ONLY
Whereas, the new Student Senate session has begun, and

Whereas, business cards are an appropriate tool to give students and faculty our immediate contact information;

Therefore, be it resolved the allocation of $65 for Student Senate business cards.

Moved by: Vice President Kelley
Seconded by: President Bendix
Pending Approval by the Finance Committee

SS0809006-- INTRODUCTORY ONLY
Whereas, the Student Senate Finance Committee and the Student Senate as a whole are committed to funding and supporting quality programming on our campus, and

Whereas, Family Day has been consistently recognized by the student body, families of students, faculty, and staff as being one prime example of such programming, and

Whereas, the Student Senate has also historically recognized the importance of Family Day for students and their families;

Therefore, be it resolved that the requested amount of $15,000 be allocated to Family Day 2008, and

Be it finally resolved that the information contained within this motion be passed on to Maggie Funk and the First-Year Experience office.

Moved by: Director Meier
Seconded by: President Bendix
Pending Approval by the Finance Committee

Maggie Funk:

Traditions started by Senate
Bring families together so families have the opportunity to see student's home away from home
Allows families to be involved with student
Ensuring parents success of student
6010 undergrad this year. All invited…not just freshman
Went from 200 to 800 to 1300
Enlivens school spirit
This year things will be included such as:
Women's volleyball tournament, open skate, movie screening, campus tour, family photos, silent auction, carnival events, football game
Budget (comparison of actual cost last year with projected cost for this year)
Asking for an increase of $3000 (50 cents per student)

Senator Witte: Voiced concerns about raise in cost
Director Dale: We can't indefinitely spend more and more money
Director Meier: Finance will discuss Reserve account
Sarah Egerstrom: We can't spend from FYE where we could before
Greg Heinselman: FYE was begun to support first year and transfer students
Senator Hasselquist: Good job and thank you for the work and development

SS0809007

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

Whereas Ben Casper has shown interest in the position and seems well qualified,

Therefore, be it resolved that Ben Casper be appointed the Chairman of the Ethics committee and parliamentarian for the remainder of the 2008-2009 academic year.

Moved by: President Bendix
Seconded by: Vice President Kelley
President Bendix motioned to amend to:
Whereas, the Student Senate does not currently have an Ethics committee chair and parliamentarian, nor a Greek representative and;
Whereas Ben Casper has shown interest in the position and seems well qualified,
Therefore, be it resolved that Ben Casper be appointed the Chairman of the Ethics committee and parliamentarian as well as the Greek representative for the remainder of the 2008-2009 academic year.

Amendment passed. Motion passed as amended.

SS0809008

Whereas, the Student Association Student Senate does not currently have an Elections committee for Fall elections, and

Whereas Linda Abel, Sara Deick, Tyler Halverson, Antonette Guider, and Keila Tirado have shown interest in the position and seem well qualified,

Therefore, be it resolved that Linda Abel, Sara Deick, Tyler Halverson, Antonette Guider, and Keila Tirado be appointed as the Elections Committee.

Moved by: Vice President Kelley
Seconded by: President Bendix
Approved by Executive Committee
Vice President Kelley motioned to amend to:
Whereas, the Student Association Student Senate does not currently have an Elections committee for Fall elections, and;

Whereas Linda Abel, Sara Deick, Tyler Halverson, Antonette Guider, and Keila Tirado have shown interest in the elections committee and Matt Dale, Matt McMillan and Aaron Taylor are interested in finance and seem well qualified, Therefore, be it resolved that Linda Abel, Sara Deick, Tyler Halverson, Antonette Guider, and Keila Tirado be appointed as the Elections Committee and Matt Dale, Matt McMillan, and Aaron Taylor be appointed to the finance committee

Amendment passed; Motion passed as amended.

SS0809009
Whereas, the Student Association Student Senate does not currently have an Elections committee chair, and

Whereas Tyler Halverson has shown interest in the position and seems well qualified,

Therefore, be it resolved that Tyler Halverson be appointed the Chairman of the Elections committee for the Fall 2008 elections.

Moved by: Vice President Kelley
Seconded by: President Bendix

Director Halverson: I'm well qualified
Friday 4pm meeting
Motion Passed

XI. ADDITIONAL ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Vice President Kelley: 9-11 We Remember Project will be displayed this Thursday in front of the UC and a Candle Light Vigil will be 8pm

President Bendix: Ad hoc committee with LDPB about budget process; search and screen for pro vost, if interested in being a part of the group let me know by Friday

XII. ADJOURNMENT motioned by Director Halverson; Seconded by Director Meier

The next meeting for the semester of the Student Association Student Senate will be Tuesday, September 16, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Willow River Room of the University Center