

MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-RIVER FALLS STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT SENATE

of Tuesday, February 3rd, 2009 Willow River Room of the University Center

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m.

II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

President Bendix, Vice President Casper, Director Deick, Director Okan, Director Dale, Director Evans, Director Pineda, Director Pfundheller, Chair Witte, Chair Brock, Chair Hasselquist, Senator Halverson, Senator DeRosa, Senator Van Putten, Senator Rutledge, Senator Harshman, Senator Pfundheller, Senator Godes, Senator Taylor, Senator Nelson, Senator Wetzel

III. INTRODUCTIONS OF GUESTS:

Katie Rose

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Director Okan moved to amend SS0809069, the dinner portion in the breakdown of expenses from \$15 to \$10

Seconded by: Director Evans

Motion passed

Chair Hasselquist moved to amend Director Evans name in the role call from Evens to Evans

Seconded by: Director Evans

Motion Passed

V. OPEN FORUM:

President Bendix gave training on how to use the Oracle Calendar

VI. SHARED GOVERNANCE REPORTS:

A. STUDENT SENATE DIRECTOR REPORTS:

1. SHARED GOVERNANCE DIRECTOR – Sara Deick

Director Deick move to bring SS0809073 to the front her report.

Seconded by: Vice President Casper

Motion Passed

SS0809073

Whereas, according to Student Senate by-laws we are required to have five at-large senators;

Whereas, there is currently an opening for an at-large senator;

Whereas, Katie Rose is interested and seems well qualified;

Therefore, be it resolved that Katie Rose be appointed as senator at-large;

Therefore, be it further resolved that this appointment be effective immediately.

Director Deick moved to amend the motion to state Moved by: Vice President Casper Seconded by:

President Bendix

Seconded by: Vice President Casper

Amendment Passed

Motion as amended passed

Director Deick: Sign up for faculty senate committees this week, and then contact the chair and let them know that you are on their committee.

Shared Governance Committee meets this Wednesday.

2. STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ACADEMIC SERVICES- Patrick Okan

Director Okan: The two major issues that the committee is working on is the skateboarding policy and the smoking policy on campus.

Student Affairs and Academic Services Committee meets on Mondays at 6:00p.m.

Linda Abel is no longer with us, so SAAS needs one more committee member.

3. LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS DIRECTOR –Matt Dale

Director Dale: Chapter 17-18 meeting on February 4th

Will be sending out a copy of the agenda for the February 4th meeting to all senators

February 28th Director dale and President Bendix will be attending a budget summit in Green Bay to discuss lobbying against tuition increases in Madison.

4. FINANCE DIRECTOR- Dustin Pfundheller

Finance Committee is currently working on the Student Senate budget for next year

Finance committee is meeting on Thursdays at 4:00p.m.

Student Senate account currently has about \$16,000 in it, but we are still waiting for invoices to clear from the Spring semester.

5. DIVERSITY ISSUES/WOMEN'S INITIATIVES CO-DIRECTOR - Lauren Evans

6. DIVERSITY ISSUES/WOMEN'S INITIATIVES CO-DIRECTOR - Alexis Pineda

Director Evans: We are currently working on Take Back the Night and the Multi-Cultural Center

There is a Sole Food Dinner on the 18th of February at the Journey House

Director Pineda: Currently working on Unity in the Community

Diversity is still looking for `member to fill the committee.

Director Pfundheller: The Wisconsin Hmong Confrence is coming to the university for the first time on February 21st from 11:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.

7. PARLIAMENTARIAN/ ETHICS CHAIR - Craig Witte

May be receiving its first ethics complaint of the semester

B. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRAMMING BOARD CHAIR- Joshua Brock

Currently reviewing budget requests for next year

LD&PB is meeting on Thursdays at 7:00p.m.

There are 3 single event funding requests that the committee needs to review

The Tim Mahoney event went very well

Forming an ad-hoc committee to discuss a new budget process. We will see a motion this next week hopefully.

C. FACILITIES AND FEES BOARD CHAIR- Krista Hasselquist

Currently going over the budget for next year, and discussing tuition increases. It is looking like only a single digit percentage increase for the next year so far.

Meeting this week

Budget for next year should be presented to senate by February 24th.

- D. STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT SENATE ADVISOR Gregg Heinselman
- E. VICE PRESIDENT REPORT- Benjamin Casper

Office hours are due next week by 4:00p.m.

Five hours for senators, ten hours for directors.

F. PRESIDENT REPORT- Cindy Bendix

Mock tails went well last week.

Administration Assembly meeting Monday Feb. 9th in the Kinni Theater from 9-11a.m. (All senators are encouraged to attend.)

Chancellors Award nominies: Josh Lambert, Cindy Bendix, Lizeht De La Torre, Benjamin Casper, Matthew Dale, and Dusty Pfundheller

VII. OTHER COMMITTEES/ UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE REPORTS:

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

SS0809067

Whereas, we currently have a student's savings club started by senate;

Whereas, with the economy not doing well students need all of the help they can get financially;

Whereas, most students do not know that these discounts exist or where they can all use these discounts;

Whereas, the student savings club will have businesses put up signs saying that they are a part of this;

Whereas, they have a new list of better discounts from local businesses;

Therefore be it resolved, senate put 1500 dollars towards the new discounts;

Be it further resolved, finance committee work on the advertising of this program on campus.

Moved by: Director Pfundheller Seconded by: President Bendix Approved by Finance

Motion Passed

SS0809068

Whereas, business cards are vital for student senators to be able to carry out their official senate duties effectively,

Whereas, there is a number of new senators and also a few senators who have changed constituencies, committees, etc, thus there is a need for new business cards;

Therefore, be it resolved that Student Association Student Senate approve up to \$200 (probably will not use all the money) for the purchase of business cards.

Moved by: Vice President Casper Seconded by: Director Dale Approved by Finance Motion Passed

SS0809069

Whereas, the current budgetary crisis for the State of Wisconsin brings with it an intense concern that tuition may be greatly increased in the next biennium;

Whereas, the University of Wisconsin- Green Bay is hosting a summit on February 28, 2009 to allow students a chance to collaborate a strategy to lobby for a more reasonable tuition rate;

Whereas, such an opportunity will greatly increase the chances of a successfully lobby against an unreasonably large tuition increase;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Student Association Student Senate allocate \$675 to facilitate a delegation of four students to the Green Bay summit.

Breakdown of Expenses

Two Hotel Rooms- \$200

Food (Four People, two breakfasts [\$6 per meal], two lunches [\$7 per meal], two dinners [\$8per meal]

- \$210)

One University Vehicle - \$.32 per mile, 520 mile round trip - \$165

Gas - \$100 (entire sum may not be needed)

Total- \$675

Moved by: Director Dale Seconded by: President Bendix

Approved by finance

Director Dale: This is a great way for us to have our voices heard at the state level against tuition increases.

Motion Passed

SS0809070

Whereas, the Board of Regents is having their annual dinner with the Student Senate Presidents;

Whereas, this is a great opportunity for us learn more about the budget crisis and other problems going on in the UW System;

Therefore, be it resolved, that we send President Bendix to the Board of Regents meeting February 5-6;

Therefore, be it further resolved that we allocate 300 195 dollars towards this.

Lodging: \$70/night +2 nights = \$140 Food: Breakfast \$6/day + 3 days = \$18 Lunch \$7/day + 3 days = \$21 Dinner \$8/day + 2 days = \$16

Total \$335 \$195

Moved by: Vice President Casper Seconded by: President Bendix Approved by Finance

Director Pfundheller moved to amend the fourth clause to read: Therefore, be it further resolved that we allocate 195

dollars towards this, and the total amount changed from \$335 to read \$195

Seconded by: Senator Taylor

Amendment passed

Motion passed as amended

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

Introduction Only - SS0809072

Whereas, minutes must be kept for all meetings of the Leadership Development and Programming Board;

Whereas, during meetings pertaining to budget requests it becomes difficult to keep full and accurate written minutes;

Whereas, recording the meeting would allow for a more accurate record;

Whereas, a recording of the meeting is required by UW System;

Therefore, be it resolved that the UWRF Student Senate allocate up to \$320 for the purchase of a video camera to be used by L.D.&P.B. to keep minutes.

Moved by: Chair Brock Seconded by: Chair Witte Approved by Finance Senator Halverson moved to amend motion SS0809072 to read: Whereas, minutes must be kept for all meetings of the Leadership Development and Programming Board; Whereas, during meetings pertaining to budget requests it becomes difficult to keep full and accurate written minutes while simultaneously defending a budget;

Whereas, recording the meeting would allow for a more accurate record;

Whereas, a recording of the meeting is required by UW System;

Whereas, an *audio* recording of the *budget* meetings is required by UW System:

Therefore, be it resolved that the UWRF Student Senate allocate up to \$320 for the purchase of a video camera to be used by L.D.&P.B. to keep minutes.

Therefore, be it further resolved that a non LD&PB member attend and take minutes at the LD&PB final budget meeting.

Seconded by Chair Brock Amendment passed

President Bendix: Don't we have a camera that we can rent on campus? Gregg Heinselman: I belive there are two cameras available to check out.

President Bendix: Has LD&PB looked into checking out a camera from the Technology Department?

Chair Brock: We did look into checking out a camera, but the Technology Department stated that the camera may not

be available when it is needed.

Senator Rose: I have never had a problem checking out a camera anytime I needed one.

Introduction Only - SS0809074

Whereas, Student Senate support has been pivotal for the Annual President's Day Debate;

Whereas, there are costs involved in reserving the Ballroom in the UC in which the Debate is held

Therefore, be it resolved that Student Senate appropriate \$85 towards this event to secure the Ballroom in the UC on

February 16, 2009

Moved By: Director Dale Seconded By: Director Deick Pending Finance Approval

Director Dale: This is a really neat way to get Student Senates name out there, and this event has almost become a tradition on campus now.

Dr. Krause will be moderating the event.

Introduction Only - SS0809075

Whereas, chapter 17+18 have been something that we have been following and working on;

Whereas, there is a student reps meeting at UW Milwaukee from the 20th to the 21st of February to discuss this issue amongst others;

Therefore, be it resolved that we send up to two students down to this meeting;

Therefore, be it further resolved that we allocate up to \$550 for this trip.

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Lodging: $70/night +2 people = $140
Food: Breakfast $6/day + 2 people = $12
Lunch $7/day + 2 people + 2 days = $28
Dinner $8/day + 2 people + 2 days = $42
Travel: State Vehicle w/gas $285
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TOTAL= \$507

Moved by: Vice President Casper Seconded by: President Bendix Pending Finance Approval Senator Harshman offered an amendment to the second clause so that it reads: Whereas, there is a student reps meeting at UW Milwaukee from the 20^{th} to the 21^{st} of February to discuss this issue amongst others; Seconded by Director Dale Amendment passed

X. ADDITIONAL ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Senator Taylor: Rockin for Robby is coming up on March 26th in the Falcons Nest. It would be really nice to see a lot of Senate involvement.

Senator DeRosa: Women's Hockey team is currently 1st in the nation go and watch a game. The team is playing at home for the next two games.

XI. ADJOURNMENT:

Senator Halverson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40p.m. Director Dale Seconded Motion to adjourn passed The meeting was adjourned at 8:40p.m.

The next meeting for the semester of the Student Association Student Senate will be Tuesday, February 10th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Willow River Room of the University Center