MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-RIVER FALLS
STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT SENATE
of Tuesday, March 3rd, 2009
Willow River Room of the University Center

I. CALL TO ORDER: at 7pm
II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:
Present: President Cindy Bendix, Director Sara Deick, Director Patrick Okan, Co-Director Lauren Evans, Co-Director Alexis Pineda, Chair Craig Witte, Chair Josh Brock, Senator Tyler Halverson, Senator Katy Van Putten, Senator Lizeht De La Torre, Senator Jordan Harshman, Senator Ryan Pfundheller, Senator Kayla Godes, Senator Peter Wetzel, Senator Katie Rose, Senator Spencer Gansluckner

Tardy: Director Matthew Dale, Director Dusty Pfundheller, Senator Aaron Taylor, Senator Alex Nelson

III. INTRODUCTIONS OF GUESTS:
IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: approval of the minutes moved to next week
V. OPEN FORUM:
VI. SHARED GOVERNANCE REPORTS:

A. STUDENT SENATE DIRECTOR REPORTS:
1. SHARED GOVERNANCE DIRECTOR – Sara Deick
-Office cleaning at 3pm on Sunday
-Broomball on March 6th, 7:30 pm, at Hunt Arena
-Student Association Meeting on 31st, tabling the week before the meeting
2. STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ACADEMIC SERVICES- Patrick Okan
-Met and talked about tuition payment plan changes
-Elimination $100 roll-back deposit next semester
3. LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS DIRECTOR –Matt Dale
-Green Bay Summit recap
-Learned strategies and tactics for lobbying
-Proposal for 25 million to pay for student assistance, but will be taken out of student money to pay for it
-UWRF give back will be similar to UW-Madison
-Tuition assistance
-Motion either for/against assistance will come before Senate
-Bringing student to Regent lobbying
-Bring written statements to Director Dale (either for or against Chapter 17/18 revisions)
-March 10th listening session for Chapter 17/18 Ad-Hock committee
4. FINANCE DIRECTOR- Dustin Pfundheller
5. DIVERSITY ISSUES/WOMEN'S INITIATIVES CO-DIRECTOR – Lauren Evans
6. DIVERSITY ISSUES/WOMEN'S INITIATIVES CO-DIRECTOR – Alexis Pineda
-Take Back the Night, April 1st from 6-9pm
-Hmong Conference was rescheduled
7. PARLIAMENTARIAN/ ETHICS CHAIR – Craig Witte
-Complaint to be reviewed
B. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRAMMING BOARD CHAIR- Joshua Brock
-Meeting on Thursday at 7pm
C. FACILITIES AND FEES BOARD CHAIR- vacant
D. STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT SENATE ADVISOR – Gregg Heinselman
-Money has been set aside for building projects, may be given back to the state for give-backs
-Give-back money may be taken from Res Life and Dining Services
-Potential large increase in student fees to live on campus
-Take out bonds instead of having money in reserves

-3rd raid of University reserve money in 12 years

E. VICE PRESIDENT REPORT- vacant

-Office hours due Tuesday at 4:30pm

-Office cleaning on March 8th at 3pm

-Provost candidate session on Wednesday at 3:30pm

F. PRESIDENT REPORT- Cindy Bendix

-Send application for VP to Cindy before Thursday

-Craig to F&F interim position, Senator Nelson will be appointed interim Ethics chair

-2 weeks to send F&F chair resumes to Shared Governance

-United Council

-Reform of UC, ideas taken to general assembly

-UC will be at UWRF on March 31st

-Memo passed to Chancellor and was signed

-Trimble room for Exec Board Meeting on Thursday

-Athletics position open

VII. OTHER COMMITTEES/ UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE REPORTS:

University Curriculum Committee (Vice President Casper) - There were four new classes added to the universities curriculum this last Friday they were:

Undergraduate Programs PHIL 301: Environmental Ethics, Liberalism and Capitalism

Undergraduate Programs PSYC 269: Health Psychology

Graduate Programs TED 551: Native Americans in Wisconsin (Only needed if you are going to move to and teach in Wisconsin.)

Graduate Programs TED 552: Introduction to Conflict Resolution

There were also two classes that had some minor changes made to it they are:

PED 301: foundations of Outdoor Leadership; Change in prerequisites and change in lab/lecture make up of course.

SFED 200: First Aid-Basic Life Support (Crystal Lanning/Gary Eloranta) Change in number of credits and course content. (Adjusting in the course to be more athletics oriented instead of wilderness oriented.)

-Budget Ad-Hock

-Next Thursday: Jon, Amy, and Karyn will be at the Ad-Hock meeting at 3:30pm

-17/18 Ad-Hock

-Listening session next week

-Faculty Wellness

-Talk about cap for office hours for faculty members

-F&F budget will be presented next week

-Faculty Senate

-changed Diversity to Diversity and Inclusivity

-Program prioritization

-UW-Board of Regents meeting recap

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

SS0809097

Whereas, the Student Senate is holding a Student Association Meeting;

Whereas, this is a great opportunity for the Student Senate to hear the opinions of the students on student issues;

Whereas, food can make for an extra incentive to get students to participate in the Student Association Meeting;

Therefore, be it resolved that we allocate 280 dollars towards catering this event;

Therefore, be it further resolved that the Student Senate cups be used to further market the Student Senate to the students.

10 Pizzas-$110

Desserts- $100

3 Gallons Punch Mixture- $35

Unexpected expense coverage- $35

Total-$280

Moved by: Senator Wetzel
Seconded by: Senator Nelson
Approved by Finance
Approved by Shared Governance

-SA meeting every semester, for student to come to senate to discuss issues
-$35 will go towards posters/advertisement
-Talk to Sodexo about cups/plates
-Senator Nelson Seconded motion in place of Vice President Casper:
Moved by: Senator Wetzel
Seconded by: Senator Nelson
-Motion passes

SS0809099
Whereas, The Student Affairs and Academic Services Committee is allotted four senator members according to Article IV, Section C, part 1 of the Student Senate By-Laws;

Whereas, there are currently five senator members sitting on the Student Affairs and Academic Services Committee;

Therefore, be it resolved that Tyler Halverson *and Linda Abel* be removed from the Student Affairs and Academic Services Committee;

Therefore, be it further resolved that Katy Van Putten be added to the Student Affairs and Academic Services Committee.

Moved by: Director Okan
Seconded by: Senator Van Putten
Approved by Shared Governance

-Motion passes

SS0809100
Whereas, Student Senate events help promote communication between senate and the campus;

Whereas, the Broomball event will help facilitate ties between students and Student Senate;

Whereas, the Broomball event will be held March 6th, 2009, in the hunt arena;

Whereas, this will be an event open to the entire campus;

Therefore, be it resolved, that Student Senate allocate $238 to the Broomball Event.

$70 - equipment
$18 - have a worker stay for the event
$150 – pizza
Total - $238

Moved by: Director Deick
Seconded by: Senator Wetzel
Approved by Finance
Approved by Shared Governance

-Motion passes

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

SS0809102
Whereas, student need to be appoint to the Student Organization committee;

Whereas, these students seem interested and qualified;

Whereas, the following students have applied for the committee:

Student Organization
Katie Heimer
Amanda Flipp
Maria McMahon
Thomas Friant
Ali Al-hanooti
Catriona Lewis
Lee Monson
Megan Wisbar

Therefore, be it resolved, that the following students be appointed to the following Student Organizations committee as mentioned in this motion.

Moved by: Director Deick
Seconded by: Vice President Casper

-(Avery Neuman) move to strike Amanda Flipp from motion
-Seconded (Halverson)
-Ethics complaint was made against the person, movement made to strike name off list
-Ethics complaint read to Senate
-Motion vote: y-15, n-0, a-4
-Amendment passes

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Seconded by: Vice President Casper

-Motion passes

SS0809103
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Whereas, Senator Liz De La Torre, Director Pfundheller and at-large student Matt Stauner has expressed interest in the committee;

Therefore be it resolved, that Senator Liz De La Torre, Director Pfundheller and at-large student Matt Stauner be appointed to the Diversity and Women's Initiatives Committee.

Motioned by: Co-Director Evans
Seconded by: Director Deick
Approved by Shared Governance

-Amend motion to change to “2 senate members”
-Moved: Evans
-Second: Torre
-passed
-Amend motion to strike Director Pfundheller from motion
-Moved: Deick
-Seconded: Wetzel
-Amendment passes

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Motioned by: Co-Director Evans
Seconded by: Director Deick
Approved by Shared Governance

-Motion passes: y-19

SS0809082 – Introduction Only

Whereas, Family Day is a important annual event for students and their families;

Whereas, a separate segregated fee would confirm family day as an annual event and allow Family Day to function within a budget;

Whereas, the senate’s operating budget will more accurately reflect senate operating revenue and expenses;

Therefore, be it resolved that Student Association of Student Senate decreases its segregated fee by one dollar for the 2009-2010 academic year;

Therefore, be it further resolved, that a separated fee be established for family day consisting of $3.50 for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Moved By: Director Pfundheller
Seconded By: Director Pineda
Approved by Finance

-Allocable fee, will go through LDPB for approval
-Meeting between LDPB and Interim F&F to pass the change in Seg fee
-Amendemt: strike entire 4th clause
-Moved: Halverson
-Second: Brock
-Seg fee will go towards paying family Day and will help decrease charge that has been made on Senate in the past
-Cutting a Seg fee may not necessarily be wise, may have paid for something else previously
-(Halverson) withdraw amendment

SS0809083 – Introduction Only
Whereas, the reserve account has approximately $125,000;

Whereas, many organizations and clubs and could benefit greatly from fin assistance from student senate;

Therefore, be it further resolved that Student Association Student Senate establish a one-time funding for student organizations and clubs;

Therefore, be it finally resolved that one-time funding committee consist of 5 members of the finance committee, 3 members of Leadership Development and Programming Board and two people who have no association with either finance or the Leadership Development and Programming Board;

Therefore, be it finally resolved, that all student organization leaders be e-mailed a notice of this motion when passed,

Therefore, be it finally resolved, all appropriations must be approved or rejected by student senate.

Moved By: Director Pfundheller
Seconded By: Senator Rose
Approved by finance

-How are committee members going to be appointed?
    -LDPB members recommended, all Finance members, find additional members
-Money will be used for one-time funding
-May potentially look elsewhere for committee members
-Money may or may not only potentially benefit a certain amount of students
-There are past procedures to fund student money
-Amendment: (in Italics)
    -Moved: Dale
    -Seconded: Nelson
Whereas, the reserve account has approximately $125,000;

Whereas, the reserve account has more money than necessary;

Whereas, many organizations and clubs and *could benefit greatly from fin assistance from student senate*;

Therefore, be it further resolved that Student Association Student Senate establish a one-time funding for student organizations and clubs;

Therefore, be it further resolved that no more than $30,000 be allocated from the reserve account;

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-(Rose) Amendment to the amendment: removed amendment to contact student orgs

-Second: De La Torre
-How would we regularly contact orgs?
-Look at past precedence
-Amend Amendment vote: y-5, n-13, a-2
-Vote for original amendment
-y-12, n-3, a-4
-Amendment passes
-Move to strike 2nd and 5th clause
-Moved: De La Torre
-Seconded: Dale
-May need to make changes in the amount asked
-May change intent of motion/ will not change intent
-Vote: y-9, n-7, a-2
-Amendement passes

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SS08090105 – Introduction Only
Whereas, the Shared Governance Association of UWRF has an obligation to support student organizations;

Whereas, the Student Senate has the resources and power to fund specific requests of organizations;

Whereas, the Student Senate also has the power to support a charitable events costs without donating monies to the specific foundation;

Whereas, the sorority Sigma Sigma Sigma is a campus organization that holds an annual charity concert to raise funds for the Robbie Page Memorial Foundation (a play therapy support organization);

Whereas, the room rental and set up fees associated with having a charitable concert on campus are significant and lessen the money that will go to the Robbie Page Memorial Foundation;
Therefore, be it resolved that Student Senate fund the room rental and set up fee for the Rockin' for Robbie charity concert on March 26, 2009 hosted by the sorority Sigma Sigma Sigma in the amount of $90.95

Green Room- $50.00
Mic and Stand- $5.95
Projector- $35.00

Therefore, be it finally resolved that a copy of this motion is sent to Interim Chancellor Connie Foster and Sigma Sigma Sigma President Krista Bauer

Moved by Senator Taylor
Seconded by Chair Brock
Approved by Finance

-More money can be given to the Children's Fund
-Could possible go through LDPB for single event funding

X. ADDITIONAL ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

XI. ADJOURNMENT: at 8:43 pm

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