



## *Student Senate*

**February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**University Union, 1965 Room**

**5:15pm**

- I. Call To Order: 5:16 PM
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes from 01/30/16:  
Shane moved to approve the minutes. Mark seconded. Approved.
- IV. Approval of Agenda: Shane, Mark, approved.  
-Mark moved to amend the agenda:
  - to add McKinley's confirmation as UGov Chair. Ashley seconded.
  - to add Nik's confirmation as interim SUFAC chair. Shane seconded.
  - to join together the PEAC presentation and the tar sands resolution. Courtney seconded.  
-Sara moved to amend the agenda- to move Rock the Resch to first on the agenda. Shane seconded.  
-Courtney moved to amend the agenda to add Linnea Zintman's senator approval. Sara seconded.  
-Dylan entertained a motion to package. Mark moved to package all amendments. Sara seconded. Approved.
- V. New Business  
-Rock the Resch
  - Kari Moody: director of Alumni Relations
  - Group of students on campus who wanted to start a homecoming tradition
  - February 24<sup>th</sup>, 297 students registered to attend and 100 alumni. Goal is 500 students attend, 200 alumni.



- Trying to start something that students get excited about!
- Spirit week: Wednesday/Thursday/Friday- bookstore with promotional items (i.e. sing the school song, get 25%, free bandana with \$10 purchase, etc.)
- Karaoke in the phoenix club/maybe roller skating

#### -PEAC Presentation/Tar Sands Resolution

- Tar oil is much harder to clean up than crude oil. Spills would devastate certain areas. To clean up oil, the method is to put the same amount of chemicals as oil into the water.
- In Wisconsin, we have some of the largest pipelines in the world, and these are trying to be expanded. (Line 61 Twin)
- First reading of the resolution: showing support of UWGB SGA opposing the pipeline.
- Shane moves to wave the reading. Abbigail seconds. – approved
- Shane moves to friendly amend the resolution in two parts: to add SGA in the second Whereas clause and to change Johnson to Miller in the last Therefore Be It Resolved clause. Mark seconds. Brian accepts the friendly amendment.

#### -Suicide Prevention Speaker

- Watched the video: should we look into getting funding for this speaker to come to campus?
- Would having a speaker on campus break the stigmas we have against mental health issues? Mental health isn't talked about as much as it should be.
- What are his credentials? College mental health/suicide prevention specialist.
- Funding should not be an issue-we could pair with other departments, apply for grants, etc.
- Researching other speakers could be beneficial.
- Promotions will be key for any speaker we choose.
- Maybe we should look into someone who could offer more similarities with our more diverse students.



- Selena might have more resources which would be a little cheaper.
- This might be something we could put on a survey to see what students would want. We could do more than just suicide prevention.
- We need to decide on this individual by next Thursday. This is also a musical/show which could draw a larger crowd.
- Keenan suggested a Mental Health week to help promote speakers, etc.
- Straw poll vote, do we want to look into other options?: Yes!

#### -Election Rules

- SGA website has all of the election rules and materials
- Student court website has the election timeline
- President and vice president candidates BOTH need to fill out a biographical sketch
- 9AM-10AM Mondays: Student Court office hours, go and ask questions if you need to!
- If you are interested, don't delay on signatures! Start ASAP
- No questions will be given out before the debate.

#### -Approval of UGov Chair

- McKinley Lentz- appointed for UGov chair.
- Abbigail moved to confirm McKinley as the UGov chair. Mark seconded.
- McKinley: wants to be more involved in student government. Feels like he's just going to meetings. Wants to get more involved with local government/has experience. What would he do differently than previous chairs?- taking care of the constitution, run meetings, building relationships with local politicians to see what they're doing that could affect the school, reaching out to campus organizations for communication. What are the weak areas of the constitution? – not 100% sure, hasn't read it thoroughly. Strategies for recruiting senators to your committee?- telling people who hang out in the suites to apply for SGA!
- Roll call vote: Abbigail moved to vote. Mark seconded. Approved.



- Discussion: didn't do much for UGov as far as we know, did much for student resources.
- Results of vote: Approved 8:1:0.

#### -Approval of Interim SUFAC chair

- Dylan and Nik appointing Nik as SUFAC chair, Dylan has to be the SUFAC vice-chair due to the constitution.
- Abbigail moved to confirm Nik as the SUFAC chair. Mark seconded.
- The position will only be filled through D-Day.
- Abbigail moved to vote, Mark seconded.
- Approved 9:0:0.

#### -Senator Approval: Linnea Zintman

- DJS and History minor, has been thinking about SGA for a while. Is also an RA with some time to spare.
- Committees: health and safety would be a top interest.
- Passionate about residence life, more weekend programming to keep people here on the weekends. Publicity for free rides to basketball games, etc.
- Maybe doing a glowstick Zumba program would be something she could do for Health and Safety.
- Shane motioned to vote. Mark seconded. Approved 8:0:1.

## VI. Executive Board Reports

### a. President: Nik Austin

- Help for SUFAC. Hannah and Selena volunteered to take minutes on Thursdays, Dennis/Eric/Fiona volunteered for Saturday.
- Talked to Grant about the poster sale- Grant thinks it's a really bad idea. Straw pole: the poster sale will not be run, unanimously.
- Give semester ideas during your executive board report.

### b. Vice President: Dylan Tritt

- In the process of the hiring committee for the student resources/vice-chancellor.

### c. Speaker: Courtney Zambon

- SGA posters are in the office.
- Senators-review senate bylaws. Come to meetings, let Courtney know if you will



be late and send in proxies.

- Ordering office supplies- let Courtney know what you need.
- d. RHAA: Ashley Keenan
- WURHA was this weekend, 10 students went. They won Most Spirited Delegation, and one student won a top 10 program.
  - Currently accepting applications/bids for NCC/WCC position. Find Ashely for information.
  - Saturday at 7PM: BINGO! Mac 208.
- e. Chief Justice: Dennis DeBeck
- Reviewing constitution this semester
  - Election coming up this semester
- f. Standing Committees
- Academic Affairs: Mckenna Kelsey
    - Talking to Fischer about academic fundraisers, trying to plan one.
  - Community Engagement: Eduardo Navarro
    - Paul's Pantry March 25<sup>th</sup> 8-10 AM
    - Senator reports, checking off different points required of senators.
    - emailed pictures of information
    - 4:00 on Mondays- community engagement meetings
    - plan for clothing and food drive, need to approve dates
    - visited RHAA last week
    - polishing up social media, meeting with social media intern
    - concern with athletic drinking policy, meeting with NCAA worker
    - SGA bonding activities on campus, come to CE meetings to find out more
  - Environmental Affairs: Kayla Billett
    - next Monday at 4-planning for World Water Day
    - March 6<sup>th</sup>-will help for March 22<sup>nd</sup>- will help for Earth week.
  - Equity and Diversity: Selena Deer
    - Met with senators last week Friday, planning legislation that will affect student leadership on campus. Working on a charity event
    - keeping touch with multicultural orgs
  - Health and Safety: Fiona Somers
    - looking for perspective suicide prevention speakers
    - public safety Olympics with residence life? New radar gun- will radar people
    - talked to people about Mount Trashmore
  - Recreation and Athletics: Eric Fischer
    - Next Monday at 7PM- Go Green Game in the Kress
    - Met with senators today: tailgate party for Women's softball game
    - survey to try and get the MBB team to play at the Kress
    - Majors decathlon: next fall, starting to plan it now.



- Student Resources: Kia Murray
  - working on success of rock the resch, homecoming, and meeting about the SGA app.
  - Met with Lee- posters and flyers are out! Promote rock the resch and phoenix night
  - window painting/decoration for the two events
- SUFAC: Nik Austin
  - Meeting this Thursday and then D-Day.
- University Governance: McKinley Lentz
  - Meeting during senator's office hours to discuss future plans
- Union and Dining: Nathan Rousseau
  - no report

VII. Announcements

- GBB open to public, 8:00 Mac 120 on Mondays
- Thursday 4E is launching new website, 11-4pm in the phoenix club!

VIII. Adjournment: Abigail entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mark seconded. Approved.

ADJOURNED AT 7:06 P.M.