

SUFAC Minutes
February 11, 2016

I. Call to Order

SUFAC Chair Eric Kissinger called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm.

II. Roll Call

- a. **Members Present:** Eric Kissinger, Allison LeMahieu, John Landrum, Lea Truttman (OFO), Milton Byers, Erica Kuehn, Noelle Poppe, Samuel Welhouse, Reed Heintzkill, Lorenzo Lones, Nathan Rousseau, Janae Due, Gretchen Klefstad, Nik Austin, Penghan Yi
- b. **Absent:** Thomas Gentilini (excused)

III. Recognition of Guests:

- **Ballroom Dance Club:** Brad McDonald
- **Bowling Club:** Sam Watson, Crystal Remsza, Deanna Stendel
- **Camping and Climbing Club:** Ben Spiering
- **Curling Club:** Kylee Traub
- **Dance Team:** Amanda Graham, Diana Romero
- **Ski and Snowboard Club:** Eric Phillips
- **Ultimate Frisbee:** Noel Craig, Michael Cuning

IV. Approval of Agenda: Eric entertained a motion to approve the agenda. Milton Motioned. Nathan Seconded. Voice Vote. Agenda passed.

Eric entertained a motion to approve the minutes from February 4th, 2016. Nathan Motioned. Milton Seconded. Voice Vote. Agendas passed.

V. Reports

- a. **OFO:** Committed funds amounts to \$24,358.45 and org start up is \$1375.07.
- b. **Liaison:** N/A
- c. **Senate:** Senate is back in action. We are working on constitutional amendments.
- d. **SGA Exec:** I have a meeting about the Horizon league later this week. We also have a meeting on the UPass Situation. Particularly the type of money we are spending on the bus system, which is around \$8000. We want to provide transportation at a cheaper rate. We are looking at how many people are using it fraudulently.
- e. **Vice Chair:** We approved an org start up for compost and reallocation from BSU about a speaker.
- f. **Chair:** Thank you for coming to the chancellor's meeting last night.

VI. Student Org Budget Hearings

- a. **Ballroom Dance Club**

We meet once a week for two hours throughout the semester and learn from a professional instructor. We host a dance every year and attend the Wisconsin State dance competition at the end of April. We reuse our decorations for the formal ball that we host. These would be back up just in case. This local instructor has been dancing with us for several years. It is usually \$45-\$100/hour so this is a reasonable price that we are requesting. WE have live music at the formal ball. The jazz band has usually volunteered for us in the past but we would like to provide payment since it is so important. We are also requesting snacks and drinks for the ball. For the Wisconsin State Competition, it is one night that we spend down there. This is our biggest event. We go down on Saturday night. We spend one night in our own lodging, not a hotel because we have contacts of our own. The money would be used for the ticket to the pro-show and each member has to pay a registration fee as well as a fee for every dance performed on the floor. There are usually 8-10 different dances.

Questions/Comments:

- N/A

b. Bowling Club

Our membership fees come from the national dues and the local dues for our bowling conference. We have two teams. We cosmic bowl at Willow Creek lanes every Wednesday. Students pay \$5 and the school pays \$3 per student. We have four total conference tournaments, two per semester. We would need hotels and motor pool for the tournaments that aren't in Green Bay. The fourth trip is an open that we go to that is not included in our membership fees, which we are requesting on top of lodging and transportation. We also included two more trip requests since traveling is so important to our org. We drive ourselves to Neenah so we are asking for registration fees to be funded.

Questions/Comments:

- Eric commented that the travel exceeds the guidelines for all trips so he asked for justification.
 - With our traveling team, we have to attend different tournaments to gain points that are outside of our local tournaments. This helps further our season.
- Han asked if they have to earn the points to go further in the season?
 - In order to move on to State or Sectionals, we have to attend elective tournaments to gain points and qualify?

c. Camping and Climbing Club

We usually meet once every few weeks to go over basic ideas of trips down the road. We usually meet at the rock wall in the Kress. We also

encourage our members to try the rock wall. Our first trip is to Devil's Lake, which is a great opportunity to enjoy the outdoors and rock climbs up one of the mounds. This is a guided tour and is a great new experience for a lot of people. It is usually about a two and half hour trek. The second trip is an indoor trip that provides different skill levels for our members. The third trip is to the New Zoo where we participate in the zip line, ropes course, and rock climbing. These are different challenges that are great team-building exercises. Our last trip is to Madison, which is another indoor course that also has different routes and challenges for various skill levels.

Questions/Comments:

- Eric commented that the club sports guidelines only apply to clubs that compete in state or national competitions.
- Allison commented that most of these budgets have been edited and the changes will be provided on D-Day. They are still within guidelines.

d. Curling Club

We are asking for \$1000 to pay for the student registrations at the Green Bay Curling Club. We have to be registered through our local curling club to go to nationals in addition to the national website. This would be \$100 for each of our members. We have six trips. Our number one trip is to nationals while the rest are to earn points to go to nationals. Stevens Point is on the budget twice: once as a bonspiel against different teams and the second as a head to head competition. St. Paul, MN is also a head to head event. We usually take our personal cars to these tournaments because they are so close.

Questions/Comments:

- Nik asked if the membership applies to the whole club or each individual member? It is the combined cost of \$100 per member.
- Eric commented that the cost per mile per vehicle went up slightly but it is updated in our records.

e. Dance Team

We practice three times a week and we compete on the state and national level. We perform at all home men and women's basketball teams as well as make community appearances whenever we can. Our office supplies are for advertising our tryouts. We usually get one new uniform each year for about 15 members. We have performance and competition poms. We also request uniform repair kits to reuse uniforms. Our spring prep clinic is for high school students to come out and we teach them routines. We have nationals in Minnesota, which we are requesting transportation and lodging for. We will pay for our own food.

Questions/Comments:

- Milton asked about the uniforms since we do not fund apparel but he questioned if there would be an exception since this is essential to their org.
 - Eric referred to the club sports guideline.
- Eric asked if they intend on selling the uniforms?
 - No, we don't sell the uniforms to the members and we try to recycle them as long as they fit our routines and fit our members.
- Reed asked if we have provided uniforms within the past two years?
 - The board will clarify that because the org are not sure.
- Nathan asked about the 15 uniforms in reference to the number of members?
 - We usually like to have at least 15 because we would like to have extra just in case and in the event that we recruit more members.
- There is question whether the org can make the 1/3 contribution for their capital items.
 - The coaches run the e-mail.

f. Ski and Snowboard Club

We recently had our trip to Indianhead Ski resort with 30 members. Our trip was full within a few days of announcing it. We have a lot of support for our club and high participation. We want to have an introductory meeting after Org Smorg as well as a following meeting about our trip. We like to attract people with food. Our biggest concern is travel. Our main trip is to Indianhead ski resort in the UP. It covers 2 days and 2 lines that we take a bus. We provide our own food and our rentals. We are asking for lift ticket and lodging.

Questions/Comments:

- Eric commented that the travel request fits the guidelines.
- Reed asked John if Student life offers ski trips.
 - No.
- Samuel asked how many members they have in the org?
 - We have 140 people on our Facebook group but we don't know who are active. It is a first come and first serve basis for who gets to go on the trips.

g. Ultimate Frisbee

Our budget includes Frisbee sale, disc sale, and tournaments. We travel where the tournaments are and we pay for a third of the traveling and hotel costs.

Questions/Comments:

- N/A

VII. Discussion Items

a. Presented Budgets

Milton commented that dance team seems like a gray area concerning apparel. Lea replied that they ordered uniforms this year as a part of their budget and we are asking them to reimburse SUFAC. Milton asked if we make them pay SUFAC back even though it isn't for a fundraiser? Allison commented that we usually make the event a fundraiser to fund other orgs. Milton asked how are we making them pay for the full cost of the uniforms if they aren't making a profit? John commented that he isn't sure about the historical context but the members usually pay for their own uniform. Reed commented that we broadened the definition to apparel last year to include all apparel.

Eric entertained a motion to enter committee of the whole. Reed motioned. Han seconded.

There was question over the fact that the students don't have access to their e-mail account and the coaches oversee it.

The board discussed making an exception to the travel guideline for the bowling club, which is nearly double the maximum guideline. The majority of the board favors breaking guidelines.

There was question over whether the Curling club membership should be considered a group fee or individual memberships.

b. Decision Day Guidelines

Eric explained that the previously discussed decision day guidelines only had to do with one student organization, the Phoenix Students for Life, in context to the purchase of banners. Allison commented that a banner requires two people to put up while a poster only requires one person. This is an arguable point. We will make the decision as a board on a situation basis rather than make a guideline about it.

Eric commented that we could bring in outside information to make a definition. John was concerned that we are not being neutral about the message that is being posted on the sign when making our decision. Janae suggested moving this item under supplies and expense. The majority of the board supported this idea.

There are two issues: the updated figures on international club dinner and ballroom dance team.

c. Chancellor's Presentation

The Childcare laws require us to collect funds for the eventual establishment of a childcare center. SGA is working on a subsidized childcare option in the local community.

The previous consensus on the board was to keep the athletics flat. Chancellor argued that we should to reconsider this decision before D-Day

because athletics is vital to the campus organization concerning scholarships and donors. This is a big part of the Chancellor's vision for this campus. Eric reminded the board that they would not have an increase if the board had not allowed it for 5 years. They also have outside sources of funding that go to other areas of their operations. The increase is \$40,000 in three years. By that time, other auxiliaries will ask for an increase but this year, they are being held flat due to decreased enrollment. There is question whether athletics is a priority and whether increases are vital, which has been an issue historically for SUFAC.

Lorenzo asked if it would be detrimental to the department if they were held flat? Allison responded that it was never specific about where the increases are going. Reed responded that it is a very widespread budget that covers a lot of areas.

There was discussion over the chancellor's idea that if there was increased enrollment in a few years, there could potentially be a lowered seg-fee. There was question over the request for the chancellor to put this in writing. Milton disagreed with the idea of a deal with the chancellor because it is likely not to be concrete. Nik asked if we made a deal with the chancellor over the soccer complex. There was nothing in writing.

Samuel asked if there were other deals proposed or made in the past? Allison gave a recap about the funding of the soccer complex last year. We came to the conclusion that we wanted to fund the soccer complex based on the idea that the athletics budget wouldn't increase. The board favored getting something in writing.

VIII. Action Items

IX. Announcements

One more meeting before D-Day on February 20th.

X. Adjournment: Eric entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Reed motioned. Nathan seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:51pm.

Respectfully submitted by:
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