



Student Senate

September 18th, 2017

University Union, 1965 Room

5:15pm

I. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 5:16pm

II. Roll Call:

- a. Members Present: Eduardo Navarro, Sam Engel, Wynne Larson, Selena Deer, Kallista Baebler, Abbigail Wagaman, Hailee Frey, McKinley Lentz, Mark Fischer, Dennis DeBeck, Jennifer Mork, Linnea Zintman, Justis Tenpenny, Shane Kanneberg, Ethan Najacht
- b. Members Absent during Roll Call: Chelsey Vruwink (showed up late), Nate Nichols, Elijah Mada and Sami Dannhauser
- c. Advisors Present: Adam Novotny, Mark Olkowski

III. Approval of Agenda.

- a. Ethan motioned to add a resolution to the agenda in support of DACA. Linnea Seconded. Voice Vote. Motion Passed.
- b. Sam entertained a motion to approve the agenda. Shane Motioned. Courtney Seconded. Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

IV. New Business

a. Welcome Back

- i. Eduardo Navarro: Welcome to the new members and the returning members. I was busy this summer, with OCS so I didn't get to reach out too many of you. I was busy from 5am-9pm. My last week there; called processing week, we were required to turn in our equipment and clean our housing apartments. I thought about how I could implement this into SGA, but I realized it can't be. It can be implemented because in the marine world there are no opinion, but in SGA we represent many opinions. There are a few things that I would like to focus on:



1. Senate Engagement- Giving responsibility to senators rather than the executive board. I would like for Courtney and the Senators to gain more power.
 2. Tone of Involvement-I would also like to change the tone of involvement to ensure that we get a lot of involvement from everyone.
- b. Emergency Phone Costs: Jeff Gross
- i. Blue Light Emergency Phones
 1. Approximately 20 of them on campus. The copper fiber is deteriorating, and has caused three phones to go out of service. It could be thousands of dollars to fix once they dig up the lines.
 2. Only two incidents where they were used. So, some options to replace them and reallocate the funds are:
 3. Cellular based operation which is a per month cost.
 4. Shift the funds to getting some more cameras on campus.
 5. Implement a safety app like other campuses. It would be able to find your location so Public Safety could assist you.

Discussion

Abbie: Students don't feel a use for these phones, and would rather get more light fixtures. The camera and app. The cameras and app could be other good options.

Jeff: Parents are looking for the phones because it makes them feel safer sending their child here.

Abbie: The pushback for cameras is because it could become an invasion of privacy.

Shane: The safety app avoids privacy issues. You could also reach out to ambassadors and they could approach this as the app as if it is a replacement for the blue lights.

Justis: How much does it cost for the cameras and maintenance?

Jeff: It is about a thousand dollars per camera including the storage space.

Justis: Since it is a public space; what assurances could we give students that the cameras are not viewing into their rooms?



Jeff: 95% of the cameras are fixed lens cameras which means they don't have zoom, focus or anything. We would like to show everyone what we would get, so we can assure people that they are safe.

Mark: If the cameras are \$1000 each, instead of replacing the blue phones it might be cheaper for the cameras.

Mckinley: Are there any grants that we could get so we could get more funding?

Jeff: Grants are becoming harder to get.

Abbie: The Healthy Choices Task Force might be willing to put funding into this as well.

ii. Parking Passes

1. We are running out of space for parking passes.
2. The Public Safety Chief had the idea to use VIP parking in front of the buildings.
 - a. Money for these spots could be used for scholarships or to fund the cameras. Cameras would be easier to fund.
3. Res Life is taking bids on cameras for the Resident Life Buildings.

Discussion

Linnea: Is it worth losing 15-minute parking for VIP parking?

Jeff: There is no way we could give away all the 15-minute parking spots. Example would be that we could give away about 4-6 spots in the Roy Dunham circle.

Shane: Have we thought about raising the price of parking passes?

Jeff: There could be reserved parking lots, but the issue would be that if you had a parking spot in the main parking lot, you wouldn't be able to park in lab sciences.

Abbie: Why can't we park in the Kress lot?

Jeff: The soccer building construction has taken up a lot of spots. Also during the winter month, we need to plow this lot for commuters. So, we can't have cars at the back of the lot.

Abbie: We could implement a rule saying Freshman can't have cars on campus. If we created VIP parking spots on campus how hard would it be to monitor?

Jeff: We would be able to tell our computer software, which cars belong in the VIP spots. If it is any other car, then they get ticketed.



Justis: Are parking costs supposed to go up in increments over the next few years? Is this a possible way to avoid adding more increments to the fee?

Jeff: As a business, we must increase costs as well. Next year, parking passes will be raised \$12. The budget would be better off if we had other streams of money coming in.

McKinley: If we want to do this idea, we need times where there are no VIP slots. Such as move in day and move out day.

Jeff: We have more stalls that we can put cars in but they aren't in the places people want them. We could do it where seniors get the best spots and go down through years.

iii. Beautification of Campus

1. The chancellor asked us to consider the beautification of the campus.
2. 450 signs costed about 18,000 dollars. Approximately 30,000 dollars to fix all the signs on campus.
3. We should maybe consider a smoke free campus or designated smoking areas.

Discussion

Abbie: A lot of people are willing to fund the signs. It was extremely difficult to get people to smoke 30 feet away from buildings. A smoke free campus would be great, but there would be a lot of pushback.

Justis: If we become a smoke free campus, then we may be eligible for more money. The problem would be to enforce this rule, because you shouldn't be ticketed for smoking. There are grants to use money for beautification.

McKinley: If we eliminate smoking, costs may increase due to people smoking in the dorms. This could cause issues with the fire alarms or actual fires.

Selena: This campus is so far away from places, so people may get irritable if they must hop in their car to just go smokes.

c. DACA Resolution

- i. See attached resolution in email. (1st reading)

Discussion:



Ethan: This has already been passed by the faculty senate.

Shane: We should get a survey out about the resolution before we vote on it? Some legislation was passed last year to get students vote on this.

Mark Olkowski: Do we send it to Wisconsin legislation?

Elijah: I don't know how it would be worded.

Mark Olkowski: After the last one we could that it will be sent to all Wisconsin State senators and legislators.

Shane suggested a friendly amendment to add that it will be sent to Wisconsin State Senators and Legislators. Ethan accepts the friendly amendment.

Courtney: We can continue to talk about this next senate meeting.

d. Org Smorg

- i. This Wednesday 10am – 2pm. Please let me or Eduardo know if you can work it.
- ii. Things to Say at Org Smorg.
 1. Like us on Facebook
 2. Tune in for our livestream of the next senate meeting on October 2nd, 2017.
- iii. Flag will be used at Org Smorg.
- iv. Justis: I'm making a half sheet with touch points about why to join SGA. It asks for an email, name and class standing so we can reach out to them.

e. Communication within SGA

- i. Possible Options for Communication Tools
 1. Facebook- Don't want to force people to get one if they don't have one.
 2. Google Hangouts- Smart Phone friendly, and has video or texting settings.

f. Student Court Justice Nominations

- i. Jessica Murphy
 1. Senior
 2. Political Science Major
 3. Previously involved in SGA and RHAA.



4. Involved in Campus.
- ii. Linnea Zintman
 1. Junior
 2. DJS Major
 3. Worked as an RA last year
 4. This year is a peer mentor.

Questions

Shane: How are you going to ensure that our ideals in the constitution are upheld?

Jessica: It is like Non-profit guidelines and it is important to uphold the constitutions.

Linnea: It is important to make sure everyone follows the constitution.

Shane: How would you handle a situation where the person is someone you have a relationship with?

Jessica: I've learned from my leadership positions over the last three years how to handle this. I can separate business from friendships.

Linnea: I have experience in RHAA that required me to put friendships and relationships to the side.

Adam: You will be justices until you graduate or step down. When do you graduate?

Linnea: I plan to stay till the Spring of 2019.

Jessica: Graduating this December.

Shane: Have either of you looked over a constitution and how was it handled?

Jessica: My main goal is to make sure there are no redundancies.

Linnea: I read it over last summer, and considered certain areas of it.

Discussion

Closed discussion.

Voting



Roll Call vote for Jessica Murphy becoming a Justice.

Linnea motioned to vote. Shane Seconded. Roll Call Vote. Motion Passed. 5-0-0

Roll Call vote for Linnea Zintman becoming a Justice.

Shane motioned to vote. Ethan Seconded. Roll Call Vote. Motion Failed. 1-3-1.

g. Approval of New Senators

i. Alex Zeller

1. I was a senator last year.
2. I had a good time last year being a Senator.
3. It is good telling my teammates about what is going on in SGA.

ii. Noah Samuelson

1. Freshman
2. It is important for new members to get involved on campus.

iii. Charlie Faude

1. Freshman
2. Previous SGA experience

Discussion

Closed Discussion.

Voting

Courtney entertained a motion to package vote on all the New Senators. Shane Motioned. Justis Seconded. Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

Shane motioned to vote on the new senators. Justis Seconded. Roll Call Vote. Motion Passed. 5-0-0.

h. Goals for SGA

i. Courtney:



1. Try to build better relationships within SGA.
 2. Create an environment that makes people want to be in it.
- ii. Sam:
1. Provide the answer to the never-ending question of; What has SGA done for me?
- iii. Mark Olkowski:
1. Outgrow the 1965 room and must move locations for Senate meetings because we have so many senators.
- iv. Mark Fischer:
1. Split up a 6-million-dollar budget and not resign halfway through the year.
- v. Justis:
1. Continue growing the senate.
 2. Doubling the voting members by the end of October.
- vi. Shane:
1. I have a lot of goals, and if you would like to know more about them we can talk in private.
- vii. McKinley:
1. To organize all the past legislation that has been passed and see if it has been effectively implemented. Organization of all the past legislation passed.
 2. Get more political speakers to campus.
 3. Reach out to political organizations to have them represented at the Senate meetings.
- viii. Abbie:
1. Working with public safety, and partnering with other resources.
 2. Partner with AIC.
- ix. Ethan:
1. To work closer with organizations that fall in the category of equity and diversity as well as the pride center.



- x. Hailey:
 - 1. To continue and create more student involvement.
 - 2. To do a better job of letting people know about what is going on around campus.
- xi. Kallista:
 - 1. Continue to build on the Union and Dining committee.
- xii. Wynne:
 - 1. Establish a composter on campus.
 - 2. Eliminate non-reusable plastic water bottles.
 - 3. Bring back title of Eco-U to this campus.
- xiii. Chelsea:
 - 1. Build more connections in academic areas & attend more academic committee meetings
- xiv. Linnea:
 - 1. Get more people involved in SGA.
- xv. Jennifer:
 - 1. Improve the communication from Student Court and SGA.
- xvi. Adam:
 - 1. I want to continue to be a resource to the students in the room and specifically with executives.
- xvii. Justis x2:
 - 1. Have mark do videos for SGA like Adam's for Student Life.

V. Reports

- a. President: Eduardo Navarro (Done by Sam Engel, Vice President of SGA)
 - What we have done this year.
 - 1. The Poster sale was extremely professional but we are not sure what the exact amount we made is. We are looking to donate some of that money to hurricane relief efforts.
 - 2. Eduardo met with some people to get discounts to help students and alumni. He will continue to consider the background of this offer.



3. We have large amount of money in the Budget this year. We would like to hear what to do with this money.
 4. We received approval for new lounge furniture, and display monitor. We also are receiving one of the display cases.
 5. Eduardo attended some of the university committee meetings and faculty meetings.
 6. We had the executive retreat last week.
 7. We also nominated the two student justices that were up for confirmation tonight.
 8. We need to fill two Executive Chairs; Community Engagement and Student Resources.
- b. Vice President: Sam Engel
- Refer to Eduardo's Report.
- c. Speaker: Courtney Zambon
- There are only a couple people with nametags because the printer is not working currently.
 - The next senate meeting will be recorded on Facebook Live for people to watch.
 - Senators please let me know what committees you would like to join.
 - This year office hours will be done based on an Honor system.
- d. SUFAC: Mark Fischer
- The first meeting will be held this Thursday at 5:15. There has been one new member request to join SUFAC. Please consider joining SUFAC.
- e. RHAA: Nate Nichols
- Everything has been planned for this year. Our first meeting will be held this week.
- f. Chief Justice: Jennifer Mork
- In the next few weeks, we will be working on updating the election rules for Spring Semester.

VI. Announcements

- a. Two Executive Board openings
 - Community Engagement and Student Resources

VII. Adjournment:

Courtney entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 pm. Justis Motioned. Ethan Seconded. Voice Vote. Motion Passed.