

# Student Senate

## November 24th, 2014 University Union, 1965 Room 5:15pm

- I. Call To Order 5:15
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes from November 10th, 2014
  - a. Allison moved, Sam D. seconded. Voice vote. Motion passed
- IV. Approval of Agenda
  - a. Pam moved, Brandon seconded. Voice vote. Motion passed.
- V. New Business
  - a. Confirmation of New Senator Lucas
    - Brandon moved to approve, Karen seconded. Voice vote. Motion passed.
       16-0-0
  - b. FIRE Free Speech on Campus Nik Austin
    - Foundation for Individual Rights in Education. Our university is rated "red" which is considered extremely poor for freedom of speech. He is hoping that SGA will state their position on this issue and work with Nik to change university policies and achieve a better rating.
  - c. Composting Program Chrissy Bartelme
    - Composting is breaking down organic material in a concealed area to enrich soil instead of entering landfill. This will help represent EcoU and make a positive difference.
    - Planning just a trial period and hopefully will become a bigger thing on campus.
  - d. The Frozen Melons Gretchen Klefstad
    - There is a nonprofit organization called Love Your Melon. Whenever a
       Love Your Melon hat is purchased, one is given to a child that is battling

cancer. There is a Love Your Melon Campus Crew that is promoting this nonprofit. If you are interested in ordering a hat, please contact Gretchen Klefstad

#### e. Student Court Election Rules

- GPA was a very important topic in this discussion. Some believe the GPA doesn't matter for candidates because you can very clearly tell when someone is going to do a good job. Others thought that more responsibility should be expected of executive board and candidates. Sam D. motioned to amend the motion by striking out 2.5 and inserting 2.0. This was seconded by Nik. Voice vote. 10-7-0
- Another issue was the Referendum question, especially relating to Student Court responding and approving referendum questions. The amount of time the court has to turn around the referendum. In section VI A 2. After and, "is compelled" instead of "reserves the right." Members felt a timeline should be included as well. It was moved to amend "Seven days" with "two business days." Pam motioned to approve the amendments made to this section, Allison seconded. In A 3. There was a grammatical change from "that" to "than". Allison moved to approve all amendments made in Section VI, Lucas seconded. Roll Call Vote. 16-1-0
- Lucas moved to eliminate Section VII numbers 4 and 5 due to being unnecessary. Jessica seconded. Roll Call vote. 17-0-0
- Alex moved to approve election rules. Lucas seconded. Roll Call vote. 16-1 0

#### f. 2015-2016 Budget Overview

Budget was shown to senators and pointed out some changes. Elimination
of the administrative assistant honorarium and a 3% increase for the
executive board honorariums.

#### VI. Executive Board Reports

- a. President: Vanya Koepke
  - Will be furthering the Childcare Center. He is in favor of and will pursue it.
  - Restoring EcoU Project: Met with David Kieperd and Bill Hubbard about \$2000 per location. Currently looking for department partners.
  - Discussing honorarium evaluation system for next semester.
  - Purchased a new computer monitor for executive office
  - Continue to meet with administration in laying out goals for next semester
  - December 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 7pm for the State of the Campus Address in Christie Theatre.
  - December 6<sup>th</sup> Student Reps meeting at UW-Manitowok.
- b. Vice President: Tyler Sterr
  - Budget is done as shown in presentation
  - Participated in Green Bay Holiday Parade won Jean Nicolet Award
  - Next senate meeting will be a thank you to all of you. Light snacks will be provided.
- c. Speaker: Sam Braaten
  - Jacob, Paul, Reed, and Sam went to the Daycare Meeting last Thursday. WE have a set list of people who take advice/help from others. Faculty seems very involved, wanting the daycare. We will be working with faculty for the business plan.
  - Senators, keep up the great job! Whatever ideas you have to improve SGA and the campus, please let Sam know more than willing to help out!
  - If you won't be back next semester please talk to Sam either in person, email, or snapchat, etc
  - Thank you for being awesome with Gabe being around the office recently-Sam greatly appreciates it!
  - Don't Forget! December 13<sup>th</sup> around 6pm Sam will be hosting a little get together for SGA. There will be Christmas music, awesome-ness, and egg nog
- d. RHAA: Erin Vander Pas
  - All positions are now filled Congratulation Nate Nichols
  - Last week it was decided that the courtesy phones will be eliminated
  - Silent Hours start Tuesday before finals and there will be normal quiet hours between 6 and 7 pm.
  - No news on the Quiet Hours Resolution from Gail yet.
- e. Chief Justice
- f. Standing Committees
  - Recreation and Athletics: Ben Heicher
    - 1. Woman's basketball won their home opener. Men's basketball won today against east Carolina. Play tomorrow against Evansville to go to the golf coast showcase championship
    - 2. Check the Kress doors or web page for the thanksgiving weekend hours. And looking for my committee to meet with me when we come back for

planning an event for the first Thursday when we come back from winter break.

- Health and Safety: Trevor Matson
  - 1. Committee will be working on 360\* of SGA month after the senate meeting
  - 2. Public Safety is well prepared for active killers, will not release policy but describe certain aspects of their response.
  - 3. Moving forward with painting the office over winter break. Will be \$863 from Agency Fund
  - 4. Details for CPR class almost set up. It will not be happening in the fall semester.
- University Governance: Hannah Stepp
  - 1. Encourages everyone to talk to Nik about the FIRE Presentation and how to get involved.
  - 2. Looking at schools and how they operate, bring in new ideas.
- SUFAC: Reed Heintzkill
  - 1. All budgets have been turned into SUFAC.
- Union and Dining: Andrew Pfaff
  - 1. Trip to Stevens Point was rescheduled, because they were unable to meet and changed last minute.
  - 2. Bagged lunches will start December 1<sup>st</sup>-meeting with Tammy on Wednesday to finalize details
  - 3. Have a booth for our month with white board and senators to sit on it.
  - 4. Cart for finals around the library-partner with Aviands.
  - 5. Senators watch your emails for publicity purposes.
- Student Resources: Jacob Immel
  - 1. Spirit Week Activities
  - 2. Pie Your Professor on Tuesday at 10:30
  - 3. Printers in the Library
  - 4. Half off Apps on Campus-in the Phoenix Club to increase the number involved there
  - 5. Expanding Phoenix of the Week to nontrad students
- Equity and Diversity: Dou Chang
  - 1. Currently working on his month. Four weeks with different organizations for equality: BSU, SASU
  - 2. Also checked out the handicap buttons
  - 3. More gender inclusive bathrooms around campus
- Environmental Affairs: Anthony Sirianni
  - 1. Working on Earth Day
- Academic Affairs: Paul Ahrens
  - 1. Working on a better time to meet with the committee.
  - 2. Attending meetings with Darrel and going over registration items

#### VII. Announcements

- a. Winter Storm Watch until 6 am
- b. STrawpoll for changing policies (Nik Austin) Many were interested
- c. Tomorrow night recruitment calls
- d. Looking for donors from athletics for the childcare center

### VIII. Adjournment: 6:51

a. Brandon moved to adjourn, Nik seconded.