



UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN – LA CROSSE
STUDENT ASSOCIATION

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Student Senate Agenda

Date: April 2nd, 2008

Time and Location: 6pm in Cartwright 339

- I. Call to Order
 - a. Meeting called to order at 6:01pm
- II. Role Call

Name	Role Call
Allen, Jeffery	1
Armstrong, Vanessa	late
Baalbaki, Ibrahim	late
Bayer, Allison	late
Cerwin, Nicholas	1
Cooper, Mitchell	1
Csargo, Nicholas	1
Decker, Rourke	late
DeShong, Robert	1
Eck, Calie	1
Fuhrmann, Eric	late
Groshek, Matthew	1
Hammen, Derek	1
Hastings, JennieLynn	1
Hockett, Joshua	1
Holzem, Natalie	1
Kahl, Erik	late excused
Klotz, Melissa	1
Kohl-Riggs, Arthur	1
Maly, Tabetha	1
McCaigne, Kelsey	1
Moua, Keng	excused
Navarre, Stephanie	1
Rome, Jacob	1
Ruplinger, Melissa	1
Sackmann, Valentine	1
Savaglio, Britta	1
Schooley, Jillian	1
Syafitri, Sonia	1

Thiel, Chuck	1
Thompson, Amanda	excused
Trimborn, Steven	1
Vang, Nou	1
Van Winkle, Joshua	1
Vice, Katie	1
Wallace, Karly	1
Total	28

Others: Ringgenberg, Smith, Perket, Chapiewsky, Perez, Giltner, Singh, Robinson, O'Brien

Guests: Nik Nelson

III. Approval of Minutes

- a. Wallace/Van Winkle
- b. Minutes approved

IV. Approval of Agenda

- a. Ruplinger/Trimborn
 - i. Item A has been taken off since we never got a resolution.
 - ii. Added Nicole and Erich to talk about the United Council Referendum.
- b. Agenda approved

V. Guest Speakers

- a. Nicole Juan and Erich from United Council, Referendum
 - i. Every 2 years campuses vote to reaffirm their membership. If you vote yes it would reaffirm your membership.
 - ii. Its 8 full time staff funded fully by students. We don't answer to UW administration. It gives you free access to conferences and training. General Assemblies occur 5 times a year. It also gives you access to a campus buddy, which a person on the staff who works directly with you and comes to your campus. Also gives you access to USSA.
 - iii. We will be back during the election and if you have any questions stop us and let us know.
 - iv. There are 4 slots open for board of directors. Just need a letter of interest before the 15th.

VI. Officer Reports

- a. Fred
 - i. In Madison.
- b. Bjorn
 - i. 2 students from the University of Frankfurt coming on Wednesday April 8th. They are doing quite a few different things. One of the things we can all be involved in is we will be hiking in the bluffs. Meeting at the Clocktower at 10:30am. We are hiking for an hour and a half or two. We will be sending out the schedule for their entire visit. We will also send out the structure of their student govt. I would like you to be familiar with that before they get here.
- c. Others
 - i. Social Justice

1. International Coffee Hour cancelled. I will not be working with them from now on.
- ii. Shared Governance
 1. Big issue is the financial aid bill, doesn't look like we will be getting that. It is because of the politics going on in Madison. Look for updates. It's something to keep in mind.
 2. I am excited to meet the students from Germany.
- iii. UC
 1. Email to everyone who signed up for Building Unity. You just need money for food while you are there.
- iv. Grass Roots
 1. Meeting with the city clerk on Friday. Planning ahead for the summer.

VII. RHAC Report

- a. Will be going over constitutional changes.

VIII. Advisor Reports

- a. We had a call from Mike Alesh, local developer who would like to talk to students about housing around campus. Feedback?
 - i. Does he want an open forum?
 1. I think he wants to find out what students like and don't like.
 - ii. Bring him in to senate.

IX. Committee Reports

- a. Student Tech Fee
 - i. We are going over our budget; we will have around \$45,000 left over. We are figuring out what we want to do with that. We compiled a list, a lot of that is updating computers, supplies. After the meeting we will approve it and send it to the chancellor.
- b. Leg Affairs
 - i. Need committee by laws by April 15th.
- c. Joint Budget and Planning
 - i. Went over the student survey that we got back, we have some info to help decide what will happen with GQA dollars.
- d. Election Commission
 - i. We had a meeting last night with all the running senators. Contact us if you are running.
 - ii. We aren't sure where the voting will be, but it will be clearly displayed. If people ask questions in campaigning tell them there will be links on the main page.

X. New Business

XI. Discussion

- a. Resolution in Support of the Student PIRGs' New Voters Project
 - i. Hammen/Wallace
 - ii. Contacted about helping us get out the vote. They are a really good org and will help us in getting out the vote. We aren't joining them or becoming a member, but we are excited for them to help us on campus.

iii. Discussion

1. It seems awesome.
2. Motion to close discussion.
 - a. Hammen/Eck
 - i. Discussion closed
 1. one abstention

XII. Announcements

- a. Going to be a panel presentation on Monday April 14th from 7-9pm on Peace, Islam and the West. You should go.
- b. SOE changes are getting more nitty gritty. Has been a lot of drama, trying to figure things out. If you have any questions about the program changes let us know. It is really hurting students, I will have to be here another semester.
- c. Open forum on the 14th from 4-6pm for UC. It will be a forum to ask questions. It will be a lot of fun.
- d. Next week Act 31. It helps teach teachers about Native Americans in school.
- e. Students Services and buildings meet after meeting.
- f. Drag Show next week.
- g. Org committee members stay after.
- h. I am selling tickets for the First Fest of the Season. 4 bands, \$15 per ticket. April 26th, sponsoring 3 orgs including River Watch.
- i. If you have questions about bylaws email Natalie. Don't just go through and change words, think about what your committee does now and what it can do in the future.

XIII. Adjournment

- a. Allen/Sackman
- b. Meeting adjourned at 6:27pm.

