



UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN – LA CROSSE
STUDENT ASSOCIATION

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Student Senate Agenda

Date: September 26th, 2007

Time and Location: 6pm in Cartwright 339

- I. Call to Order at 6:45pm
- II. Role Call
 - a. Present: Allen, Armstrong, Cerwin, DeShong, Frenner, Fuhrmann, Groshek, Guidote, Hammen, Holzem, Kahl, Klein, Klotz, Langhoff, Liebrezeit, Lynch, McManus, Moua, Navarre, Nell, Putnam, Rome, Ruplinger, Sackmann, Savaglio, Schooley, Syafitri, Trimborn, Vang, VanWinkle
 - b. Absent:
 - c. Excused: Bayer, Csargo, Cooper, Valdez
 - d. Others: Bergman, Cikara, Ludwig, Perket, Ringgenberg, Wilson
 - e. Guests: Kyle O'Brien, Drew Gavrilos, Arthur Kohl-Riggs, Tome Kute, Jason Meyer, Nile Nelson, Maria Pint, Jill Pintz, Karly Wallace
- III. Approval of Minutes Klien/ Holzem
 - a. passed
- IV. Approval of Agenda Armstong/Kahl
 - a. passed
- V. Guest Speakers
 - a. Jason Meyer, Account manager- USA Today
 - i. manage all three publications on campus
 - ii. Proposed idea of making it available to students not living on campus.
 - iii. Unique program to help students become more engaged with what's going on
 - iv. Choice of three newspapers available Mon-Fri.
 1. also educational resources
 2. Program ideas and support
 - v. Program designed to promote civic engagement
 - vi. Available in areas only accessible to students
 1. Student Unions, Academic buildings.
 2. Try to put recycling bin next to every rack.
 3. Rack costs absorbed by newspaper company.
 4. Over 475 programs.
 - a. Have community colleges part of program.
 - b. Not meant for a specific college.
 5. It is important because business are global, helps students with accessibility to newspapers, empowers students to seek knowledge beyond classroom

- a. Students who read the paper are more likely to vote and become civically involved
- 6. USAtodaycollege.com
 - a. Have articles.
 - b. Case studies that cover 5 major academic areas written by former professors.
- 7. 80% of college contact is student govt.
 - a. They help initiate the program on campus.
 - b. Some schools use program to help promote SA
- 8. Provides educational resources for ALL students.
 - a. Improve education.
 - b. Some administrations remembered because they are the ones that brought the program to campus
- 9. What does it cost?
 - a. Cost determined by number of papers used, not delivered
 - b. 40 cents flat rate across nation.
 - c. Not a subscription program.
 - d. 5-10 dollars usually for every student per yr.
 - e. Actual cost is only for the actual newspapers.
- 10. Where does the money come from?
 - a. RHAC is funding it right now. Some schools have it in their student fees.
 - b. Academic Affairs, provost, chancellor. Sky is the limit when it comes to finding funding sources.
- 11. Pilot Program.
 - a. Always run a pilot program before starting in potential areas.
 - b. Run service free of charge for three or four wks.
 - c. Allows them to know how many newspapers would be consumed per day and if it's worth it.
 - d. Come in first and last day of pilot program to do surveys to see if students would be willing to pay and if they want it.
 - e. Lets you make an informed decision based on that.
- 12. 41,000 consumed by Res Halls last yr.
- 13. Any questions
 - a. If we decided to endorse program would you still keep account with res hall?
 - i. Depends on how they are funding it. Guess that they will still contribute.
 - b. Is there a cap on how much we have to pay if high amount?
 - i. Will not run over dollar amount committed. Goal is to never run you out of papers.
 - c. How does program run over weekends and summer?

- i. Mon thru Fri. May continue on limited basis throughout summer.
 - d.
 - b. Officer Andrew Gavrilos, La Crosse Police Department.
 - i. Oktoberfest
 - 1. First with public intoxicant ordinance.
 - a. Have more discretion and tolerance over Oktoberfest. Ordinance is behavior driven anyway.
 - b. Will be looking for bad behavior.
 - c. Don't create disturbance.
 - d. Last 4-5 yrs atmosphere has changes because police have more tolerance and attitudes are different.
 - e. Make fewer arrests on Oktoberfest than any other weekend.
 - 2. How much extra patrolling along the river?
 - a. River Watch in full force.
 - b. Have volunteers and non-sworn patrols, horse patrols along river.
 - c. Impact on peers has been unbelievable.
 - i. Impact as students on peers is far more than anyone else could have.
 - d. River watch should run much smoother this year.
 - e. Command post overlooking park.
 - 3. Oktoberfest grounds will be closed at midnight.
 - a. Committee did not ask anyone else how they felt about it.
 - b. At midnights when grounds close everyone will go to bar.
 - c. Both grounds will be closed at midnight.
 - d. Southside grounds are where most people walk to bars.
 - e. Concern is big influx of people to the bars.
 - f. Wishes if committee would have asked police and tavern.
 - g. Not too concerned about it.
 - 4. Stop serving and shutting it down.
 - a. In the past asked to keep beer going until later because it keeps crowds dispersed.
 - 5. 3rd Street will be closed down.
 - a. In the past too many arrests because people not staying on sideways. Now it is more behavior driven.
 - 6. 3rd Street Aid Station is just a police trap?
 - a. Example of how far community has come in the last year.
 - b. Brothers suspended 5 dollar all you can drink special.
 - c. 2,700 sq feet for aid station.
 - d. It will be a place were fire department has control.

- i. Taxi cabs parked by.
- ii. Have pretzels coffee and water.
- iii. Have message board for people who are lost.
- iv. Place for people who are impaired.
- v. Police do not want to write tickets on Oktoberfest weekend. It is a pain in the ass.
- vi. Assured aid station is there for the right reason.
- vii. Ambulance there to help.
- e. Reason for students there is so that other students will feel more comfortable.
- f. Probably won't have sworn personnel all the time anyway.
- g. What a great example of community stepping up, even bars.
- h. If it works out may be used for more events in the future.
- i. Press conference at 10am at the sight.
 - i. Help promote it by appearance of students.
- j. Relationship between police and student body much better.
- k. Students and police department far better prepared.
- l. Just ask that you look out for each other.
- m. If you need help seek us out.

VI. Officer Reports

- a. Fred
 - i. We need one more volunteer for aid station.
 - 1. 2-3:30 on sat night.
 - 2. Can help with River Watch too.
 - ii. Inauguration
 - 1. Contacted Dave's Guitar
 - a. Will give an extraordinary discount.
 - 2. Still need people to carry banners and usher.
 - iii. Tomorrow night 5-6:30 UW System President will be here.
 - iv. Have fun and safe Oktoberfest weekend.
- b. Bjorn
 - i. If you choose to drink this weekend, drink responsibly.
 - ii. Last week name tags were randomly placed and people were upset. Did not mean to upset people, meant to help build stronger relationships with other senators around the room. Will continue doing it, please don't take offense
 - iii. Student Senator office hours.
 - 1. Will email spreadsheet that says office hour for senate chamber for the week.
 - 2. Separate hour outside of chamber will be emailed.
 - a. Can volunteer with on-campus organization.

- b. If you are affiliated with and organization then cannot volunteer with that group.
- c. Have a bin for office hours. Organizations that need volunteers can fill out a request sheet. Can put request in specific week for volunteer hours.
- d. Getting office hours approved:
 - i. Everyone fills out office hours sheet every week. Week goes from Thursday to next Wednesday.
 - ii. Needs to be approved.
 - iii. Elective office hours can be carried over to following weeks.
- e. Oct 1st from 3-4 pm volunteers needed to find recyclable paper to print SA forms
 - i. Can you opt to have 2 hrs in the office or you volunteered to do an hr outside office.
 - 1. No.
 - ii. Can you enforce something not in the bylaws?
 - 1. It can be enforced, it is in bylaws.
 - iii. Punishment for not doing office hours?
 - 1. Reading out names during meeting.
 - iv. If you do a Relay for Life that's twelve hours long can it count for twelve weeks.
 - 1. Not reasonable.
 - v. If there is an event coming up where we know that we will have a certain amount of hours can we take off hours before?
 - 1. Talk to Bjorn.
- f. Can volunteer for off campus org.
 - i. Sometimes it might be easier to do two office hours in office so that you can be there for your constituents.
 - 1. Want people to be more involved, but not something that's set in stone. If have problem talk to Bjorn.
 - ii. Another option to consider is have office hours in there respective building. May be another way to substitute hours.
 - iii. Realistically people don't do there office hours. This is what was figured out in order to have people do what the bylaws say to do.
- g. Open to new ideas of anyone has a problem with it.
 - i. Concern with outside office hour is don't want it to become an obligation to senators. You wan tot make sure you are doing things for the right

reasons. Don't volunteer for an org just to get you volunteer hr out of the way.

- h. Even here has the responsibility to meet with your constituents and do outreach.
- i. When it is all figured out senators office hours will be posted for constituents to see.
 - i. If you don't want to volunteer for an organization do class raps.
- j. First office hours due next week.

c. Others

i. PR

- 1. Please take flyers for aid station to post around campus.
- 2. More copies in senate office.
- 3. Do not post in res halls.

ii. Gender Issues

1. Cut Flowers Campaign

- a. Trying to promote occupational health and safety for women in industry in south America
 - i. Women have to prove that they cannot or are not pregnant in order to work there.
 - ii. Pesticides endanger the women.
 - iii. In process of filing a freedom of information act to find out if university has any agreements or contracts with harmful companies such as Dole.

iii. United Council

- 1. Info on conferences in mailboxes

iv. City Affairs

- 1. Will go to city council next week.
- 2. First big issue is parking.
 - a. Maybe create an educational district.
 - b. Alternate side street parking did not go over to well.

VII. RHAC Report

- a. Oct 8-11 barnyard Olympics

VIII. Advisor Reports

- a. Bobble heads will not happen, take too long.
- b. Senators will sign up to volunteer at Clocktower to ask students for donations for the gift. Tues-Thurs
- c. Will have a donation bin in bookstore and REC.
- d. Sign up starts at 10:30.
- e. If anyone can make posters for donation table please do.
- f. Instead of having a card students who donate will sign ribbons that can be put on wall.
- g. Another opportunity to raise money is the date auction.
 - i. Oct 6th or 13th.
 - ii. Need to figure out a time.
 - iii. Sign up sheet in senate office.

- iv. Need to know if there is actually an interest.
 - v. If you do this you need to take them out on date up to a month afterward.
 - 1. Try not to do this the 12th or 14th because of GA.
 - h. Please respond to emails for one on ones.
 - i. Awards for best dressed senators the month of Sep.
 - j. If anyone against guitar idea, email Lauren.
 - k. Chancellor will not know what we are getting him advance.
 - l. Gift is from the entire student body.
- IX. Committee Reports
- a. Apportionment Training- Eric Fuhrmann
 - i. Point of Info: Is this time sensitive?
 - 1. Yes, one shot due in two weeks.
 - ii. Example of non-allocable seg. fees: Paying for energy, students pay for it but don't control it.
 - iii. SAC-C is Sports Athletic Club Council
 - iv. Random percentage of budget that group can't spend.
 - 1. In the past group has been able to keep it, this year haven't decided.
 - v. Any funded student organization is allowed to apply for one-shots.
 - vi. This presentation is going to be given to all subcommittees to eliminate chance that some groups cannot take advantage of the situation.
 - vii. PowerPoint will be emailed to all senators.
 - b. Undergrad
 - i. New global warming course passed, some direct management program requirements removed
 - c. Teacher Education.
 - i. WI Department of Public Instruction reviewing School of Education.
 - ii. All students fill out background check if going to school for more than one hour.
 - 1. Looking into doing national criminal background checks.
 - iii. Adaptive Physical Education Program endorsed to changing it into minor
 - d. Legislative Affairs
 - i. Had 289 votes this year.
- X. New Business Fuhrmann/VanWinkle
- a. Motion to package Hamann/Klein
 - b. Acclimation
 - c. Call to question
 - d. Approval of Board of Directors passed
 - e. Approval of Board of Directors Members
 - i. Grassroots Coordinator- Jill Schooley
 - ii. USSA/Federal Director- Tom Kutz
 - iii. Shared Governance Director- Kyle T. O'Brien
 - iv. Secretary- Jacque Smith

XI. Discussion Rome/Kahl

- a. Freshman Senate Election Results
 - i. Not approved until we approve process of voting.
 - ii. No complaints filed.
 1. Have 5 days to file complaints.
 - iii. Motion to close discussion Hammen/Rome
 1. passed
- b. Discussion of the Pepsi Open Forum (non-action) Schooley/VanWinkle
 - i. Need to come up with a process to distribute the money by.
 - ii. Discussion limited to each person only talking twice.
 - iii. Motion to limit speaking time to limit speaking time to one min. McManus/Deshong.
 1. Call to question
 - a. Objection
 - i. This is something that we really need to talk about. Students want to spend the money but we don't have a process.
 - b. Appreciated if we don't talk in circles.
 - c. One minute forces you to be concise.
 - i. Call to question.
 - ii. Passed
 - iv. Discussion limited to one minute per person.
 - v. We should form a committee. First decision need to make is should we use endowment fund.
 - vi. Ran around in circles at the open forum. Would like to use the original document. Use it as a template and adapt it.
 - vii. If people are interested in revising original document then they could get together with Bjorn.
 - viii. Think we should let committee decide if we want endowment or use the money year by year.
 - ix. Is this going to be an extra committee?
 1. Board gets to choose.
 - x. Motion to close Nell/Klien
 1. Passed.

XII. Announcements

- a. Everyone needs to realize the role they were elected into. Need to make sure we fulfill those duties. Discussion should not be cut short. We are representing the university as whole.
- b. Some ideas for fundraising (buttons)
- c. Next Wed., need people to help Klein.
- d. Need volunteer for Aid Station or River Watch.
- e. An organization putting on an event targeting people on campus. Trying to form counter event, meeting tomorrow night at 8:15 at Diversity Center.
- f. Working on restructuring board of directors. Need input in order to create budget.
- g. Resolution next week for the REC Wheelchair basketball Oct 27th.

h. If want to be involved in drafting Pepsi committee meet Bjorn after meeting.

XIII. Adjournment Nell/Armstrong

- a. Passed
- b. Meeting adjourned at 8:48.

