



UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN–LA CROSSE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

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Student Senate Agenda

Date: September 16th, 2009

Time and Location: 6:00 PM; **Port O' Call; Cartwright Center**

- I. Call to Order
 - a. 6:09 pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Lauderdale/Schauer
 - b. Amendments
 - i. Move to add SA 0910-003: Resolution Approving REC for DLS
 1. Schmidt
 - ii. Move to add item 0910-002: Resolution Approving the Use of the Recreational Eagle Center for the SAPA Wheelchair Basketball Tournament
 1. Nell
 - iii. Approved.
- V. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Hastings/Radke
 - i. Motion to amend titles on the roll call.
 1. Schmidt.
 - a. That will be fixed and updated on the website
 - ii. Approved.
- VI. Election of the President Pro-Tempore
 - a. The president pro temp is the person who runs the meeting or takes over if I am challenged. It is basically just a back up person. Any senator except for execs can do it. Any nominations?
 - i. Brown - accepts
 - ii. Bradley – declines
 - iii. Trimborn - declines
 - iv. Lodahl – declines
 - v. Lieder – declines
 - vi. Urbas – declines
 1. Senator Micah Brown approved.
- VII. Guest Speakers
 - a. Fire Chief Gregg Cleveland, La Crosse Fire Department
 - i. I try to come back to senate at least once a year mainly because being at UWL is one of my favorite meetings. I appreciate the interest shown

and the interactions we have. You have to feel comfortable talking to the fire department. I want to show you some performance outcomes; September is campus fire safety month, my wife and I a United Way co-chairs for the whole community. I am a graduate from Lakeland College and UW-O. I know a little bit about campus life. I want to share with you our performance outcome. We are not producing anything, so we try to find some bench marks to find out how we are really doing. 1 because we are tax funded and the public needs to know, 2 because the public needs to know what services they are getting, and 3 because the public needs to know the services they are getting are of the highest caliber. In the graph you see that we have the greatest impact on 60-79 year olds. If we change anything our biggest impact will be on the elderly. The 7th district has the majority of our contacts; otherwise we are pretty well spread out as a city. Residential is the biggest property that we go to. 56% of our calls occur on residential type properties. The fires and emergencies that occur in La Crosse are mostly in multi-family dwellings. That tells me that La Crosse is a university town; we probably have more apartments than single family dwellings. There is a lot more workload associated with multifamily dwellings. Across the country 43% of fires occur from cooking, La Crosse's is only 16%. La Crosse is twice the national average in intentional fires. Smoking is the number one cause of fires across the nation. For staffing we have 95 personnel, our department averages 14 years of experience. We have very expensive equipment. We have 4 stations of 22 square miles. We compared ourselves to the north central region of the US and to the nation. We found out that La Crosse has been able to maintain its fires very effectively. That is a pretty amazing thing to do. Our injury rate compared to the nation is phenomenal. Only 10% of our response times extend beyond the standard response time. This points out to us the areas that we need improvement in. we train constantly to be on our game when it happens and our people are protected. Our personnel our constantly out there doing inspections and making sure people comply with the law. In 2008 we saved 14 people from dying. On Christmas eve we pulled a 47 year old handicapped individual from his apartment. We had a person who had a seizure and drove his car into a building, then set the car and building on fire. From juveniles that have gone into the program, we have only had 4 repeaters from 1991 to 2009. our cardiac save rate is 72%. You can see the outcomes, and I am proud that I think we are performing at a level above the national average. Excellence is something that is never achieved, it is always pursued. We are going to continue to refine this to make sure we are doing the job that you expect as future tax payers. I think it is important to see how many fires we contain to the object or room of origin. In 2008 97% of fires were contained to the object or room of origin after we got there. This saves lives, which is our core mission. Our public fire

department is in the class 2 fire department out of 10. La Crosse is a highly reliable organization because we are highly adept to managing a high risk situation. We have a team approach to decision making. we have a creative approach to problem solving. We have a high level of internal command. The bottom line is it is our task in difficult times to make sure we make it work. To maintain this system, that is going to be our challenge. We know we do a darn good job in providing emergency services. I think it is important that you see the outcome that we are achieving.

- ii. September is the Campus Fire Safety month. My goal is to get UWL student senate to take ownership in doing some sort of campus fire safety. Our goal is to come to you and internalize that. I want students to be partners with us in conducting on campus fire safety. I do a lot of work in code development. We spend a lot of time talking about residential properties and campus housing. I can provide a lot of campus fire safety innovation things. But I need the horse to drink water so to speak. I would really like to have UWL be my partner in doing that. You are the future of our nation, our communities, our state. Let me know what you guys think.
 - iii. I want to talk to you about United Way. UWL students are very community minded. It is a great service that I am sure some of you have used. It is a great way for the community to help the community.
- b. Becky LeDocq, Faculty Senate Chair
- i. I am the faculty senate chair this year. I am starting my 19th year in the math department. I wanted to make sure that you have a face to go with the name. UWL and the whole Wisconsin system has always been very strong in shared governance. Very soon we will have a classified staff council for another group here on campus. We all work together. You are here at one of the best times. We have an administration that cares about what we have to say. I want to congratulate all of you for taking such an active role on campus. I want to have that student voice. Please take a role on your committees.
- c. Eric Schmidt, City Council Member
- i. We passed an alternate side relief this month. In the past we had alternate side parking. On the even nights you parked on the even side of the road and the odd nights we had to park on the odd side. We had a problem with that, still the roads weren't being cleared. The city liked it because it was reliable. I went to RHAC and asked them what we wanted; they said they wanted to not have to move their cars every night. We came up with a plan to park on both sides of the street, but there will be a move time for leaf removal and street sweeping. You will be able to park on both sides of the streets, but when the removal announcement begins, we will have to park our cars on the even or odd sides like before, for four days. You can sign up to the system and get a text message or email. They will let you know when the removal time is. you can sign up through the UWL website. We think this will

work out pretty well. I am happy to say that the fee rate will be the same as the rest of the city. There will be two reports, one this coming May and one May 2011. This will be free if people are participating. We will be saving the city money.

- ii. Questions
 - 1. If there is a heavy snowfall, what happens to cars that don't move?
 - a. The city will be liberal in what they call a snow emergency.
 - 2. What about visitors that don't know?
 - a. There will be public notice and some signs stating the policy.

VIII. Officer Reports

- a. President Kahl
 - i. Welcome back. Looking forward to a great year. Kudos to Schmidty. Will be working on PR for campus, collaboration within directors. The issues we discussed at the retreat are in the office to be added to. Chancellor's Advisory Council- talked about a lot of the same issues as at the retreat. Meeting with different student groups to increase communication and involvement.
- b. Vice-President Wallace
 - i. Thank you for all those that came to the retreat, I hope it was fun. I will be sending out a survey on the retreat soon. Office hours start THIS week, but will not be enforced until next week. Please sign in during your hours.
- c. Chief Financial Officer Shervey
 - i. NO report
- d. Shared Governance Director Herro
 - i. NO report
- e. Legislative Issues Director O'Neill
 - i. Thank you cards for Kohl and Feingold for S. Res 258, SAFRA resolution in new business.
- f. City Affairs Director Burkart
 - i. Burk Challenge- go to city meetings with Tyler and get free stuff. Next Committee of the Whole meeting Tues Oct 6th at 7:30, next city council meeting Thursday Oct 8th at 7:30pm.
- g. Gender Issues Director Turtenwald
 - i. Met with Ingrid Peterson to come up with ideas
- h. Sustainability Director Ruplinger
 - i. No Report
- i. Social Justice Director Spivey
 - i. OMSS retreat, \$10 refundable fee, October 2-4

IX. RHAC Report

- a. Elections today for at-large and secretary positions still being filled.

X. Advisor Reports

- a. Larry- Welcome back again. You are all soooo wonderful!

- b. Brianne- Looking forward to working with you. Email with office hours.
- XI. Committee Reports
 - a. Academic Affairs
 - i. meeting this Friday at 2 pm in 263
 - b. SUFAC
 - i. Met on Monday, will be hiring new secretary.
 - c. JPB
 - i. Next meeting at 1:15 pm Wednesday in Faculty Senate Chambers in Graff.
- XII. Unfinished Business
- XIII. New Business
 - a. SE 0910-001: Resolution in Support of the Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act
 - i. The reason we took this through summer council was because it is time sensitive. I was able to write a letter to the editor in the Tribune and talk to Congressman Kind about it.
 - ii. How does it simplify FAFSA? Takes out some of the very specific questions, more languages so that non-native English speakers can understand it.
 - iii. Feel uncomfortable because some students do not support it.
 - iv. Eliminates Stafford loans for graduate students, there aren't any graduate students
 - v. It's a 180 page document. If you are caught with possession you can still apply for aid. Motion to postpone until next week. What would be the point, the House votes tomorrow? Has everybody read it? We got the resolution ahead of time; people should have researched before this meeting. We shouldn't have to push this back because people didn't read it.
 - 1. call the question
 - a. vote fails
 - vi. Vote no, I love the idea of this but how can we vote for this for ourselves. I don't feel comfortable with this.
 - vii. How often do you agree with something whole heartedly 100%? I'll vote for it. Its good overall.
 - viii. My mom fills out my FAFSA I like this resolution, I'll vote for it.
 - 1. Call the question.
 - a. PASSES!!!! VICTORY
 - b. SE 0910-002: Resolution Appointing Jacque Smith as the UWLSA Secretary
 - i. Hastings/Urban
 - ii. Jacque was unsure if she would be able to fill position, but now she can. She has done the job for two years, she deserves another year. She's great. It's a hard job, she is underappreciated, and it takes a lot of time.
 - 1. Call the question
 - a. Acclamation.
 - c. SE 0910-003: Resolution Appointing the UWLSA Election Commission

- i. Lauderdale/Urbas
 - ii. Commission will serve for freshmen elections and spring elections. It's a very important job so thanks to the people that agreed to do it. Board met Monday to decide this group. It's a great group; they'll do a great job.
 - 1. Passed, one abstention
- d. SA0910-004 Resolution Approving the Use of the Recreational Eagle Center for SAPA Wheelchair Basketball Tournament
 - i. Has been going on for 6 years. Everything has gone smoothly in the past. Want to form a senate team. Time sensitive because we need to do pr and order t-shirts. Conferring with Mo about anything going on in the REC that day, there will be one court open for student use. Nothing else major going on.
 - 1. Passed.
- e. SA0910-005 Resolution Approving REC for Distinguished Lecture Series
 - i. Need the REC for Lisa Ling, her date got changed because of scheduling conflict. Was planned last semester, but because of the situation with her sister being held prisoner in N. Korea, got pushed back. So that PR can be done, need the date and location set now. Nov. 3rd is a Tuesday; there shouldn't be an issue with REC usage for students. Other lecturers have been in the REC on week nights before, hasn't been a problem.
 - 1. Passed.

XIV. Discussion

- a. Student, Faculty, and Joint Committee Appointments
 - i. Urbas/Lodahl
 - ii. Per by-laws we must approve committee membership. If we can't go to the meetings and get switched, will that matter if we approve this list? No, anything after will be fine to switch. Discussion closed.

XV. Announcements

- a. Wheelchair B-ball Oct 17th, talk to Nell
- b. HOPE is throwing a singing showdown, \$2, DJ afterwards Saturday Sept 19th
- c. Derek James tomorrow Cellar 7pm
- d. Ceramic Sale December 9,10,11
- e. Constitution Day! Tomorrow
- f. Any concerns about website talk to Rockefeller
- g. Oct. 8th, I heart female orgasm Graff 7 pm *Audience Participation*
- h. OMSS retreat Oct. 2nd 5 pm, be back Sunday at noon, money due to OMSS
- i. Shirts and nametags coming, hand sanitizer.

XVI. Adjournment

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SENATORS		College/Org.	ROLE CALL
Arends	Kristen	CBA	x
Bradley	Adam	SAH	x
Brown	Micah	BSU	x
Callaway	Chris	Off-Campus	x
Cruz	Sonia	LASO	x
Dill	Kyle	At-Large	x
Grabanski	Kaitie	SAH	x
Hastings	JennieLynn	RU	x
Heimerl	Jeremy	CBA	x
Hemmer	Mike	SAH	x
Heying	Drew	RHAC	x
Koplin	Tim	SOE	x
Lauderdale	Laura	SOE	x
Lieder	Josh	At-Large	x
Lodahl	Lynn	CLS	x
Mattson	Sarah	SAH	x
Moore	Riley	RHAC	x
Morris	Samantha	Off-Campus	x
Nell	Ryan	SAPA	x
Nelson	Kristi	CBA	x
Popp	Brian	RASO	x
Radke	Olivia	A/C	x
Schauer	Andy	A/C	x
Schmidt	Eric	CBA	x
Talhouarne	Gaelle	ISO	x
Trimborn	Steve	At-Large	x
Urbas	Cate	CLS	x
Verhoeven	Andy	SAH	x
Xiong	Pa Zao	HOPE	x
Yunker	Mike	Greek	x
Zwieg	Kara	SAH	x
Hall	Dorothy	NASA	x
Her	Palmer	ASO	x
Present			33
Total			33
Percent			100%