



UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN–LA CROSSE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

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Student Senate Agenda

Date: **January 27, 2016**

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

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of agenda
 - i. Bhatoya/Gustafson – approved, passes
 - b. Approval of minutes
- V. Guest Speakers
- VI. General Student Body Open Forum
- VII. Officer Reports
 - a. President: Kaylee Otterbacher
 - i. Welcome back! Governor Walker released a few affordability plans a few weeks ago. We'll have a briefing on those for next week. The new clickers are here! We're still trying to figure the logistics out, but hopefully we'll see those next week. Ideas sent to the Student Senate e-mails will be left on the middle tables in the office so that you guys can look at those and report back and work on those in free time. The Governor is looking at nontraditional candidates that we may put forth one from our university. I'll be sending in letters on behalf of that so let me know what you think. Our D.C. lobbying trip went really well! We had upwards of 50 meetings and we talked with quite a few people.
 - b. Vice President: Molly Davies
 - i. Some new faces tonight! Let's do some introductory things and a few reminder-training things! Committee Sign ups and Office hour sign ups coming around!
 - c. Chief of Staff: John Becker
 - i. Lots of new things to do this semester! Look forward to helping out with those things. Here to help everyone, like how to write a resolution. Next Wednesday, a few of us will be going to Madison in the afternoon/evening with pub admin students and polisci students for networking and looking for grant money for the university. Great opportunity for us so we can introduce ourselves to those legislators, which will be key for Schimmel as he does a lot of lobbying coming up.
 - d. State Affairs Coordinator: Jacob Schimmel
 - i. Working on the GOTV! Working on the affordability plan by Walker, looking at the campus safety refusal bill. Looking to get legislatures to come and talk to us here, sign up on committees!
 - e. Local Affairs Coordinator: Brady Gross
 - i. Meeting last Monday for Neighborhood Assc. They are looking at working on a mobile app for bus stops that will keep you updated and let you know when it's a minute out. I'll be working with members on drafts set out by students, such as lit walkway from West Ave. down to around 9th Ave., also flashing pedestrian beacon by Farwell & East Ave. and kiddy corner to Coate hall, which are all dangerous intersections.

- f. Inclusivity Coordinator: Ayush Shrestha
 - i. Looking at turning the Preferred name resolution into action.
- VIII. RHAC Reports
 - a. Vacant positions on RHAC board! Apps are due by Feb 9th, and are asked to come in on Thursday meeting to introduce themselves, let friends know to apply!
- IX. Advisor Reports
 - a. Dr. Larry: Welcome back! I'm happy to be back! Spring semester is always very busy & goes by faster than you think! Fall semester was an interesting one to watch from afar, and I hope everyone learned from those experiences. I'm very proud of how everyone worked through that! One thing we haven't tackled is making sure everyone who walks into these meetings feels accepted. Now I urge you to form some caucuses and to talk about what's happening, and to really understand the issues that are facing Senate. We have a variety of ideas of how this could work, just to break this group up into smaller pods so that we further think about it. The Student Union is still progressing! You'll be hearing more from me throughout the semester. The open date will definitely be before the beginning of spring semester 2017, hopefully earlier.
 - b. Paula: I've enjoyed stepping in while Larry has been gone, and happy to be back again! Larry is right: spring semester will fly by. I also want to remind you that with the upcoming elections, politics will be heating up some sensitive issues on campus once more. Politics is about finding common ground, and how we can provide leadership, and I urge you to do that.
- X. Committee Reports
 - a. Steck: JMAC has not convened yet, however I know that we are pursuing a forward thinking agenda. Part of it will be hosting pseudo office hours to make us more available. I'll have more dates later on.
- XI. Organizational Reports
 - a. Hungness: IFC has invited [a fraternity] to begin a new chapter on our campus, as well as a new sorority. Let people know to sign up! Some upcoming dates: Winter Carnival: Feb. 11th, Annual Mr. Heartthrob Contest accepting apps from guys. 5k is April 9th, proceeds go to autism speaks. Sarah softball event Apr. 30th.
- XII. Unfinished Business
 - a. SA1516-036: Resolution Opposing H.R. 3403, the Safe Campus Act of 2015
 - i. Garcia/Schultz
 - ii. *Schimmel: This is the resolution from last time that dealt with the executive side & hopefully senate to take with us to Washington over previous break. Never passed, and this is basically useless now ☺*
 - iii. Quaschnick: motion to table indefinitely. /Tashner
 - 1. Voted on; approved. No abstentions
- XIII. New Business
 - a. SA1516-037: Resolution to Enforce UW-L's Smoking Policy
 - i. Tashner/Hackett
 - ii. *Brever: This is dealing with the ban of smoking within 25 feet of residence halls. Dr. Nick is intrigued by it, wants to see some legislature passed to see if we really are in favor of something like this. Money raised by \$5 fines would go to wellness leader.*
 - iii. Quaschnick: Questions to the author: Are there designated smoking spots in places?
 - 1. Brever: Markers at 25 ft. from entrances to residence halls, and after that you can smoke anywhere.

- iv. Quaschnick: Regarding the streets next to the buildings, even if the sidewalks are not within campus, but next to, does not matter, correct?
 - 1. Brever: Correct, they can smoke on the sidewalks no matter how far out they are.
- v. Floerke: How will we get the word out that this plan is in action?
 - 1. Brever: Hopefully it will be in place by next fiscal year, and by then we would have entirety of summer and fall to get word out from residence directors & staff.
- vi. Sparks: Will the residence hall staff have a process to deal with a violation?
 - 1. Brever: Dr. Nick wants to look into something to deal with this. Only directors and campus police officers will be able to write a ticket. For now, student staff are not involved.
- vii. Sparks: How will \$5 fine be inflicted? Ticket, student bill?
 - 1. Brever: Possibilities: residence life bill, paper ticket taken to campus police or wellness hall to pay. A lot of what we do as a committee is recommendations, and this is one of them. Logistics will be worked out.
- viii. Sparks: I think more details could be worked out to make this enforceable, but I like the idea.
- ix. Mans: Is it just residence halls, or all campus buildings? The wording says just residence halls, but the receptacles outside Centennial, will they be affected?
 - 1. Brever: This will just be for residence halls
- x. Patnode: Author, is this just for students, or family or staff?
 - 1. Not exempt, but harder to enforce. Main idea is to prevent students, and then hopefully students will take initiative to move them further. The policy is already in place, however it would be nice to see it enforced.

- XIV. Announcements
- XV. Adjournment

STUDENT SENATE ATTENDANCE 01/27/15

Last	First	Roll Call
Almazrou	Yousef	
Ames	Jeremy	
Anderson	Allison	x
Banker	Blaine	
Bennett	James	
Bentdahl	Madison	
Bhatoya	Aaron	
Brever	Patrick	
Eidenschink	Matthew	
Faust	Alexander	
Floerke	Weston	
Garcia	Spenser	
Gunaratnam	Alfonso	
Gustafson (gustifsin)	Allison	
Hackett	Kayley	
Hungness	Dana	
Humphrey-Anderson	Allison	x
Mason	Lauren	
Mans	Emily	
McLoughlin	William	
Nicholson	Matthew	
Patnode	Frank (Donald)	
Pigmente	Vania	x
Purath	Anicka	
Quaschnick	Andrew	
Razidlo	Anna	x
Rudolph	Chris	
Schultz	Thomas	
Sparks	Jacob	
Steck	Rebecca	
Tashner	Brittany	
Tatum	Jasmin	x
Weyker	Ryan	
Yang	Gaozie Vang	x