



UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN–LA CROSSE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

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Student Senate Agenda

Date: **October 21st, 2015**

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

- I. Call to Order
 - a. Brever/Eidenschink
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of agenda
 - i. Brever: Move line item A of new business above unfinished business.
 1. Steck: So we're moving new business into unfinished business? Would we be voting tonight?
 - a. No, it still would be new business.
 2. 2 abstentions, motion passes
 - ii. Passes, 2 abstentions
 - b. Approval of minutes
- V. Guest Speakers
- VI. General Student Body Open Forum
 - a. Tatiana Norrington: As a freshman, when I heard about the issue, I was wondering why concealed carry was even considered. As a minority, I already don't feel safe here on campus. Concealed carry wouldn't make me feel safer. In a college town, the adult drinking age doesn't stop students from making a rash decision. With few minorities on campus as it is, other minorities would be less appealed to campus with concealed carry allowed, especially in the Res halls. I don't want to know there's even a chance that a gun goes off feet from my bed. Someone is much less likely to act if they aren't allowed to carry the weapon. This should not be a thing here.
 - b. Timothy Hartwig: I am speaking on the resolution regarding the residence halls and concealed carry. I cannot speak for certain groups, however I encourage you to listen to the underrepresented groups here tonight, and the un-safety they feel. Think about guns being in residence halls in our classrooms. Think about, and set aside biases you have heard. Don't listen to the opinions that say it's not a good move.
 - c. Alex Mason: I am a junior on campus. Concealed carry is very controversial; I believe it should be allowed on campus. Many don't understand the guidelines you must follow. You have to be 21, you have to be licensed, and this licensure only allows handguns and Tasers. The majority of college students are 18, 19, or 20. How many of these students have handguns, go through training, and obtain a license? People are thinking everyone is running around with guns, however I believe a small fraction of students are going to be responsible and go through the steps needed. Secondly, think about the military. They have been trained very efficiently to use and carry firearms. What about them? I would feel safer knowing they are able to carry their firearms on campus. Your right to preservation cannot be taken from you. I hope and pray that there is not another

- shooting on campuses ever again, but what good will hoping and praying do when someone wants to inflict harm on you?
- d. Rafeal Stansick: I am strongly in favor of this resolution. Allowing concealed carry on campus is a terrible idea. With the ongoing drinking problems on this campus, the thought that drunken brawls may include a gun is terrifying. I am very scared to think guns may be allowed in the dorms. With guns allowed in dorms, this further allows the chance for suicide with a gun, or more harm. I am not convinced that people who think they are capable of making a difference in a mass shooting. Being an innocent protected bystander will not happen, it will just make matters more complicated during a shooting. Allowing concealed carry will send the wrong message to minorities on campus that they should feel safe.
 - e. Adele Parks: It is our right to bear arms, however I am scared to allow concealed carry. An individual must be 21 to carry, making it hard for the majority of students living within the dorms since they are not yet 21. I ask you these questions while you vote tonight: why do groups feel they need guns for protection? What does that say about our safety guidelines? Are we willing to deal with accidents that will happen from time to time? If we allow this bill to pass, we are protecting a small amount of students. Allowing this will increase anxiety on campus. Security cameras and law enforcement should instead be promoted.
 - f. Shara Covara: I am supporting both resolutions, however more in favor of the “first” over the “second”. Concealed carry is already on campus, however not in buildings and residence buildings. Allowing those will increase the number of students who want to bring more firearms onto campus. In the residence halls, it increases the chance of an accidental discharge. If we could prevent just one accidental death on campus, that would be great. I feel like this shouldn’t even be an issue that we have to talk about. I support “these two resolutions”.
 - g. Isabella Kilabarta: I am support in both resolutions; more of the “first” than the “second.” They are responsible for 23 mass shootings and 14 police officer deaths. A gun should not be our first line of defense. I think its ridiculous that I should have to use a gun to defend myself and harm or kill someone else. I personally would be scared and distracted wondering if someone sitting next to me has a firearm, and would affect my education.
 - h. Elaine Anderson: As a resident assistance in Reuter Hall myself, I’ve spoken to other RAs on campus. It’s scary thinking about concealed carry taking into account our job description. Students receive threats as it is, and introducing guns into these threats to minorities is scary. RAs need to deal with drunk students who are intoxicated, belligerent, angry, and I don’t have the training to deal with someone who carries a firearm. I urge you to think of that when you vote on this. Additionally, I think its imports to think of the minorities’ opinions on this issue as well.
 - i. Kim Howe: No matter how many people have weapons, the idea they have them makes us feel unsafe. Why make us feel unsafe. Professors are often targeted in campus incidents. They will unsafe too. People are irresponsible; what if people leave those guns out?
 - j. Ryan Schaefer: We’ve seen the national headings about the recent shootings, assaults happening. What concerns me is that as a student who owns and licensed to carry a handgun, I’m often walking home off campus late. I’m not a big guy, however I do have a firearm and if I can’t carry that, that means I can’t walk off campus feeling safe because I can’t walk onto campus with my firearm. I’ve noticed the baseless assumptions that firearms will cause suicides and shootings.

- We [firearm carriers] just want to be prepared.
- k. Matt Towns: The role of university and why they exist is to teach us how to think. We are taught to use scientific method, examine facts, and come to a conclusion. In my young life, I am ashamed to say I had prejudices and biases. I no longer feel that way. I encourage all of you to overcome your original prejudices. I've heard questions about why we carry. Personally, as a veteran, us veterans are driven to protect. It is in us to protect. If there were an active shooter on campus, I would do what I could to not use a gun. How unjust to take away a tool that could protect the rest of you in a situation. 1500 hundred campuses allowed concealed carry with license, and not in one of those campuses has reported a shooting.
 - l. Jack Betlach: I support concealed carry. Criminals statistically target areas where citizens aren't allowed to carry guns. In 2011 WI passed concealed carry anywhere that allows. Now, UWL is not a gun-free zone. We just have the idea that it is illegal, however we have nothing protecting us from something happening. If someone wants to come on campus and cause harm, they can. Not allowing students and faculty to carry makes it unsafe on campus. The state law passed in 2011 in Wisconsin prohibits those who carry to be consuming or carrying alcohol while concealed carrying.
 - m. Ben Steltzer: As the College Republican chair, we support concealed carrying. Please support the resolution to allow it in academic buildings.
 - n. Rachel Ranthum: If it comes down to a vote tonight, please support compromise resolution. I think it's a great step in the right direction. I would like to address survey issues. I generally think it's a good idea, however I think there should be more education added to it. I would like you to re-administer the survey, and table vote these resolutions until an educated campaign can be put forth. I don't want to politicize a tragedy, however the rape that occurred in Sanford Hall last year scared me. Pepper spray is my only protection that I carry. She [the victim] was even walked to the door of the Residence Halls before it occurred, and it still happened. I encourage you to think about the other compromises that can be made, such as designated concealed carry dorms.
 - o. Don Gunki: My job is not to convince you one way or the other. The resolution clearly impacts everybody. We are trying to present our concerns to everybody, whether we solve it or not. We should be talking about what we do after (if) this passes or not. More time should be used to talk about the concerns and how they can be solved in the future, and presently.
 - p. Sarah Sangyne: I am concerned that allowing guns on campus will allow a new threat to minorities based on very real biases with the use of guns. The statement from the police official of campus police: Department does not support concealed carry on campus. UWL police urges UWL legislators to not change these laws in place, which would put campus at more risk.
 - q. Keyla Rosa: We really need to bring up associating sexual assault with guns; that is victim blaming. I do not support guns on campus because they are dangerous; they are weapons. I do not understand why we need them on campus. Secondly, they make me feel uncomfortable. They are weapons; they are meant to kill people. The police urge us to not carry guns; why would we? What qualifies someone who doesn't go through months of training to use a gun correctly, versus a police officer. As a person of color, it makes me feel uncomfortable. As a body made of majority white people, I urge you to consider that.
 - r. Kalon Bell: I am not a support of this legislation. To allow guns in the classroom, it affects academic freedom. When topics are brought up, we want to have good

debate and conversation. You may feel you are under attack, especially if you are person of color. Police officers have the training, and even they have biases and make mistakes. I think we need a new look at this. Students who want to carry should think about whom this all affects, beside their political views.

VII. Officer Reports

- a. President: Kaylee Otterbacher
 - i. Thanks to all who came to speak. Discussed results of survey.
- b. Vice President: Molly Davies
 - i. Inclusivity training bumped to next week.
- c. Chief of Staff: John Becker
- d. Chief of Staff to the Vice President: Kate Laird
- e. State Affairs Coordinator: Jacob Schimmel
 - i. I will put placeholder date for (changeable) Dec 3rd for lobbying for concealed carry bill; it is not yet official. A new bill that addresses voting registration just came out; will allow electronic voting registration throughout the state.
- f. Local Affairs Coordinator: Brady Gross
 - i. I gave surveyed suggestions from last week to Gena. Someone from engineering department came to talk; I'll elaborate more next week.
- g. Inclusivity Coordinator: Ayush Shrestha

VIII. RHAC Reports

IX. Advisor Reports

- a. Dr. Paula: I have been here 9 years, and never seen this kind of turn out and amount of activity. It's great! I do have a perspective that I would like to enter, not my opinion, just perspective. I've worked with student government students and colleagues for 25 years. This week alone I've had a young man experience great instability, and the first question that I asked was: do you have access to guns? These students have limited life experience; think about how these students develop over just 10 years, between 18 and 28. Think about the type of environment we're living, working, and learning in and the point of history we're in. Think critically; this is a great opportunity for you to engage in a great, healthy conversation.

X. Committee Reports

- a. Ames: SUFAC met Monday to discuss one-shot fund requests. These numbers are finalized. We had \$60,000 requested of which \$25,000 approved. We took about \$8000 from the reserve. Voting system for Student Association approved.
 - i. Mason: Ames, when reviewing requests do you look if they have requested it in the past as well?
 1. Ames: Yes that is considered in the decision-making process.
- b. Garcia: Student Services building: I am the chair, Bhatoya is vice chair next week we will have resolutions for uses of the Rec.
 - i. Bhatoya: LEHP was talked about for more time in the Rec. Voting next week; resolution will come in 2 weeks.

XI. Organizational Reports

XII. Unfinished Business

- a. SA1516-010: Resolution to Establish a Joint Student Governance Committee on Sexual Violence
 - i. Brever: *This resolution aims to make a bridge between the two governance bodies. RHAC suspended their "2-week rule" to approve this, and the task force would like to see this put through.*
 - ii. Becker: Author, how many people are on it, how often do they meet, do

- they have enough people on it, what would they do for the campus?
1. Brever: We currently have 9 people; we meet once a week. We are working on policy issues, as well as education on relative topic, also working on It's On Us event in mid-November.
- iii. Is this similar to a committee whereas students from SA serve?
 1. Brever: That's the idea.
 - iv. Yang: I think it's great you're trying to educate our campus, but if a case occurred on campus, how would this help the victim itself?
 1. Brever: We would work closely with the violence prevention office to discuss policies on campus. As far as helping individuals affected, I don't think we are a resource. We'd want to guide them to the Violence Prevention office. Up to this point, 11 have happened this year, 9 in the previous 3 weeks.
 2. Schimmel: We cannot do anything for the individual, we can address cases for progression of campus, however we have an entity on campus to do that (Violence Prevention).
 - v. Razidlo: Author, have you considered working with the Counseling and Testing Center? This may be a resource more commonly used after the incident had occurred.
 1. Brever: There are only 3 non-mandatory reporters on campus, one of which is from the CTC. We can definitely reach out to them more.
 - vi. Floerke: The input will be given more freely on the organization, and that it could provide more room to get opinion heard.
 - vii. Voted on, passed
- b. SA1516-011: Resolution Opposing Concealed Carry on UW Campuses
- i. Garcia/Almazrou
 - ii. Steck: *A lot of new information, results of survey. I would like to reiterate, that chief of police did oppose concealed carry inside university buildings. No crime is reduced where firearms allowed in buildings. Ingrid Peterson also stated she is not in support of this possible amendment. The people who come and work on campus everyday as their job, do not agree that it would be safe. Training is necessary to hold license. Everyone's safety should be priority on this campus. The resolution that regards residence halls is a great step, but we need to address all buildings on campus. We really need to take a stance on this tonight, and not table. All students, even those off campus have an opinion on this matter.*
 - iii. Sparks: I think it's great we take a stance early, reacting early would be a great idea. My only issue with passing this resolution tonight, is that a lot of reasons we are against this resolution is the speculation. If we are going to go through with this resolution, passing it as is, the state won't care so much and will simply say we won't know until we try. I think we are doing the student a disservice by passing this tonight without adding some legitimacy to it.
 - iv. Johnson: Regarding previous sentiments, all this proposal does is say if we agree with it or not.
 - v. Ames: I don't think this body is important when we make these decisions. We really need to be showing the student body opinion. The compromise is half-hearted, and I don't believe it truly represents the student body.

- vi. Garcia: Some people are saying we should take a stance tonight, however other schools that are talking about it as well, and I don't think we should take a stance. If we are supposed to be the informed ones, and we did that bad, what about all the other students? This bill will definitely still leave people out.
- vii. Steck: As far as the survey: it is not perfect. However, it is simply a survey and a useful tool. By disregarding these surveys, we should also then disregard our positions here. Also, regarding the uneducated students mentioned: whose fault is that? Are we really doing our jobs if they aren't? Regarding making this resolution more concrete: I would like to propose an amendment.
 - 1. After last whereas, add: "WHEREAS, In addition, this amendment would take away the ability of the University of Wisconsin System to have control over its own concealed carry policy in its own buildings; and, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the SA of UWL would like to express its desire for the University of Wisconsin System to maintain its own control over the concealed carry policies.
 - 2. Seconded by Rudolph
 - 3. Steck: *There is discussion that this is speculation, however the survey says that students do have an opinion. This amendment would take away the power of the UW system*
 - 4. Razidlo: I am in support of amendment for reasons prev. stated. Keeps it for students against concealed carry, period, can still be represented by being opposed to amendment in general.
 - 5. Brever: I do like these proposed amendments; solidifies position being taken and opinions being expressed.
 - 6. Bhutoya: I like whereas because it gives more legitimacy. However, our complaint is that they are taken away our decision-making power, however the reasoning is still speculation, and we need concrete reasoning instead.
 - 7. Voted ; 1 abstention, motion passes
- viii. Purath: Taking away concealed carry takes away our right. Guns should be concealed and not distract students. Firearms are a way to protect ourselves. Even if they are the minority, the students who want concealed carry do still matter and that this resolution doesn't support that.
- ix. Quaschnick: I like the amendment. I was unhappy to hear that the UW system was going to make changes in their laws. All of us are representatives of students, however we are also students. It is not a democracy; it is a representative democracy. By sending this to Madison, odds are they don't care, and I am unhappy that I feel that way about my own government. Many of these whereas clauses can turn into slippery slopes, however I do like that we put that at the end. Many people have gone to Madison and have said that they do not want concealed carry do not want in schools. We can say, I do not agree with changing the UW system law. Period. We want to address our concerns to the Committee of Colleges and Universities. If we express our concerns to them directly, nobody else has done that. I like this amendment, I would like to see more to get rid of these slippery slopes.
- x. Almazrou: If this resolution does pass, I would ask Senators to ask

legislators to not have guns on campus. It would be nice to see this go to Committee of College and Universities

- x. Rudolph: Addressing it being stated that this may not matter or have significance to legislation, however what is significant that every UW campus will pass something just like this. If every campus has similar opinions, then it is going to send a clear message. What matters is that we stand strong with other schools and send a message. How rare is it to get 71% to agree on anything? This is huge.
- xii. Otterbacher: We are the only school to have a resolution on their table regarding this. Stout is in discussion, Milwaukee is as well. Every school passed a resolution to not pass the budget, however that did not go over well. Let's make legislators CARE, and think outside the box, and make them think about their decisions.
- xiii. Yakes: This resolution doesn't touch that there aren't other opinions on this campus. We need a document that is going to affect the students who came in and voiced their opposing opinions. Something that is more fact-based would be more effective. I think we should accurately reflect something that all students want, including majority, and I think we should write something based off fact, without emotional language, and that states what we've done and opinions we've received. The language and the fact that this resolution is emotional, I don't feel comfortable passing it. I do think we could come up with something that carries more weight with the legislature.
- xiv. Eidenschink: *I'm the author of the other resolution and I was looking at this wondering what the main thing about the resolution is that doesn't coincide with the beliefs of the people that I've talked to. What is the "weakness" of this resolution? I think maybe some of the phrases that are used aren't as powerful as they could be. I think we could put together some quotes and factual evidence. In order to make this resolution more direct and powerful by taking away the speculation offered in the resolution to make room for the facts. I'd like to make an amendment:*
 1. **Strike the fourth, fifth and sixth and eighth** WHEREAS clause Second/Mason
 2. Mason: I support this 100%. I think this takes off a lot of the speculation that many of us have issues with and leaves room for the resolution to potentially be tabled for another week.
 3. Rudolph: I think this is great, and takes speculative language out that there was disagreement over. I am interested to hear potential problems Senators have now.
 4. Quaschnick: I agree fully with Rudolph
 5. Johnson: I do like we are starting to remove speculation from bill; legitimizes the bill. When was the last time Campus Police has done drill and how are they tested?
 - a. Davies: There was one done this summer. From the article, it seemed positive.
 6. Sparks: Legitimizes statement
 7. Garcia: I looked up the training of the Campus Police, and saying it went well and that it doesn't represent the element of surprise, that we never know where it's going to happen or when.

8. Bhutoya: A lot of good discussion; added a lot more legitimacy.
 9. Razidlo: I would like to see stricken words somehow kept within resolution. Although facts and reasons is important, we can't completely refute emotional aspects because the environment we are in is emotional.
 10. Voted; passed
- xv. Brever: I would like to commend the author. I really like second to last therefore clause, and I like that we are thinking outside the box. The real issue may be in that our voice is being taken away by legislature and that we are not in power to decide for ourselves anymore. I'd be willing to withdraw my support of the compromise solution in favor of this.
- xvi. Mason: Propose Amendment:
1. Add whereas clause at the very end, **WHEREAS** On behalf of the majority of the Student Association has met with its constituents, has held student body open forums, and has taken a campus-wide survey which yielded the results from appx 24% of the student body, that 71% were not in favor of concealed carry on our campus.
 2. Second/Steck
 3. Steck : *This adds more factual basis for resolution and that we've done our work, lots of work, and also mentions that only 76% support and that putting in "majority" shows that there is opposition as well, so that all are represented.*
 4. Bennett: I strongly oppose amendment due to questionable accuracy of survey held.
 - a. Rudolph: I propose saying **representative sample** makes it a lot more clear.
 - b. Second/ Quashnick
 - c. Voted; passed
 5. Shrestha: I liked both amendments, but why do we have to say "on behalf of majority"? It's redundant. I would like to see that removed.
 6. Steck: I do support this amendment. I do understand concerns about validity of survey, but I also would like to urge body to take a stance on this soon to be leaders of UW system.
 7. Mason: Regarding "on behalf of the majority", because I am part of the minority, I believe it is important to mention that part of the vote as well since this is not a one-sided issue.
 8. Gunaratnam: I support the amendment regarding "on behalf majority", it does prove a point.
 9. Johnson: I do agree with the senators that we need to take a stance tonight, however I don't agree with amendment because of its concrete evidence it presents and what it represents.
 10. Ames: I support use of "on behalf of majority" I do have concerns about validity of survey, although for the most part I do support rest of amendment.
 11. Floerke: With the question of the validity of the survey, this is almost the best survey we can get. Although the numbers don't account for all numbers on campus, it does hold a certain amount of weight to legislators.
 12. Voted; passed, 1 abstention

- xvii. Sparks: Thank you to authors and sponsors. I don't think we are ready to vote on this tonight, seeing as we couldn't get our answers to that small quiz we took tonight. We are the only school that has a resolution proposed regarding this. Since we have the time to talk to each other, we should utilize that time.
- xviii. Sparks: I motion to table this.
 1. Bennett: I could not agree more with the motion to table this. We do need to talk, and one week will not set us back.
 2. Bancker: I oppose tabling this, because I feel its more about the ability for the university to have control over gun control policies. The sooner we act, the greater influence we can have, especially in the future if we want to change policies.
 3. Schimmel: Speaking from purely political strategy point of view, it is a very decisive issue. If you're putting out a resolution that solely has an opposing viewpoint, they just don't listen to us. From a legislation standpoint, the idea of a compromise or policy implementation will have more benefit than simply advocating for a standpoint. I can definitely see republicans coming to a compromise regarding residence hall or whatever idea.
 4. Bancker: I agree to table.
 5. Rudolph: we are not experts on gun control. We have something on the table that I think we all agree on. I don't think we need to wait another week. If we table for a week, students' opinion will not change, not senators. If we do this now, we are leaders. If we wait a week, we might not be.
 6. Sparks: We haven't had time to look over claims of students' issues voiced earlier, which should be added in there so their voices are heard as well, as well as taken into consideration the survey. We've ideas of compromises, we can make this better by putting in alternative options. Therefore making the point clear that we want to make our own decisions, and not the legislators for us.
 7. Voted On; motion passes 17-12, 1 abstention

XIII. New Business

- a. SA1516-012: Resolution Opposing Concealed Carry in University of Wisconsin-La Crosse Residence Halls
 - i. Ames/Mason
 - ii. Eidenschink: *We tried to base our resolution on fact and tried to be concise as possible. We're not looking to make an opinion on academic or faculty buildings, but rather solely on residence Halls*
 - iii. Brever: *It is our job to 100% represent our constituents, and common ground on that basis. This new resolution is meant to represent a little bit of everybody's opinions. It is our responsibility and jobs to represent ALL constituents and not just the ones we agree with personally.*
 - iv. Rudolph: These resolutions don't oppose each other. We can support both, one, or neither.
 - v. Quaschnick: I would like to reiterate what the last senator said. I haven't heard one student against this compromising bill. We still need to educate and find opinions of all students on this campus.
 - vi. Bhutoya: Supporting both would be doing what we don't want, such as not representing all students on campus. Supporting the first is

- supporting the second.
- vii. Mason: The resolution regarding residence halls is the best option at the moment. Students I've talked to have mixed emotions. No matter the faculty and academic buildings, the residence halls make them nervous. This takes into account the usage of alcohol within the residence halls. Only one student of the seven said that they supported concealed carry in the residence halls, which h we should take into consideration.
 - viii. Johnson: I am happy to see this resolution come forward, especially after debate last week. My constituents that I talk to are happy to see this as well. I would love to add my name to this bill, besides the final whereas. If you didn't know what we were talking about, this could be applied to anything you could maliciously. I don't want our policy to sound bias, because of direct quotes. However on the whole, it's a great step.
 - ix. Shrestha: 75% of the students on the survey do not support concealed carry in the res halls, and since 2/3 vote makes a resolution pass, this should be taken into consideration.
 - x. Bentdahl: Schimmel, what would look better at a state level? If we passed both or just one of the resolutions?
 - 1. Schimmel: If you passed two, it might pose as a difficulty. You have two different viewpoints you're lobbying for, so it would be hard to have a unified lobbying group fighting for a solution. If that occurs, I'd find a way to make it work, however it would be more difficult. Usually, both sides are adamantly against each other, so a compromise would be interesting. Other student associations are offering a compromise, so that would have more influence.
 - xi. Ames: The reason we can't currently carry concealed weapons is because of the UW policy. If we allow this amendment to pass, we allow nonstudents to decide how students choose to live and learn on this campus. If we choose to approve the compromise, we'd be acting against the UWL chief of police, whose job it is to make these kinds of decisions.
 - xii. Garcia: From a residence life worker, I'd like to state my opinion. From resident council yesterday, the general idea of students is that they are opposed because of the chance that something might happen.
 - xiii. Faust: It is important to emphasize that this is an opinion coming from the student body, and the students believe we're voting to allow or not allow concealed carry in buildings on campus.
 - xiv. Purath: from someone who supports concealed carry in all locations, I do approve of this compromise.
 - xv. Steck: I did sponsor this, and I do believe it is a good compromise. The general consensus is that most students do not feel comfortable having concealed carry in residence halls. We could take a stance against this amendment, and then come back and make our own policy regarding concealed carry.
 - xvi. Anderson: I thought it was interesting hearing what everyone had to say tonight. I would like to be made more clear, who has concealed carry, and who would actually use it? Even if it is only 3% of people on campus would use, versus 40%. It would be beneficial to know that since a lower number having it would be less fearful than a higher number.
 - xvii. Becker: I commend authors and sponsors on this for working to get as

- many viewpoints as possible, and hoping that everyone continues to do that on forthcoming resolutions as well. As directors we're here for you guys to help you work together and structure something. Keep it up guys.
- xviii. Brever: I would like to address something said by another senator earlier, saying that it went against the UWL chief of police. Everything written in this resolution, he would agree with.
- xix. Yakes: Although it's possible to pass both resolutions, the reason the compromise was written is to give voice to both sides of students. I challenge senators to think of their roles as senators, versus their personal opinions. In the constitution: seek out and activate student opinions on matter of legislation. Think about your vote and how it represents student opinions, and to vote for the resolution that gives voice to that 30% who didn't agree with the first resolution. We cannot delegitimize a voice.
- xx. Shrestha: Authors, in the fourth whereas, why is that there? Do you know how many students on campus are over 21?
1. Yes I reached out to student life. No number on 21 years old on campus in its entirety.
- xxi. Rudolph: Regarding survey, 71% of students responded no concealed carry in buildings on campus, 76% said no concealed carry in residence halls. This compromise represents that 5%, however 24% are still not represented. We are going to change our opinion on the resolution based on that 5%, and base it not of what 71% believe, but of what that 5% believe. The compromise doesn't go far enough to represent all students.
- xxii. Johnson: Regarding what a previous senator said, I would like to point out to authors and sponsors of this bill, that in the 6th whereas, and the last whereas, you can create a loophole by carrying it around all day within the residence halls, as long as I stored it in the armory at night.
- xxiii. Brever: I'd like to address thoughts of previous senator that believe d only represented 5%. 76% says its opposed to concealed carry in residence halls. The resolution is supposed to give each student a little bit of their opinion.
- xxiv. Quaschnick: Can I see #3 on survey again? To address previous senators comments, the two questions are independent so that doesn't necessarily apply. We do have another week to get another opinion and fix whereas clauses.
- xxv. Garcia: We're not voting on this this week. I request to send out a survey solely to residence hall residents of their opinions.
- xxvi. Anderson: Can we add to proposed survey to ask how many people have or will utilize concealed carry.
- xxvii. Ames: I think it's interesting for that proposed survey. We don't know if these students are on-campus or living off campus. It's far more important to know those specific opinions when it applies directly to them.
- xxviii. Floerke: I believe that with the email or survey, it should be presented that you need to be 21 to maintain a license, since that could skew their opinions.
- xxix. Mason: With regards to the 5% getting thrown around, that applies to 140 students that took the survey, and represents an even larger number including students who didn't vote or live off campus.
- xxx. Faust: I like the idea that we send the proposed survey out to residence

halls, however we should represent students who move back onto campus.

- xxxi. Purath: Regarding the proposed survey, what about the students who turn 21 in the near future?
- b. SA1516-013: Resolution to Reaffirm Student's Religious Rights in Academics
 - i. Bhutoya/Eidenschinck
 - ii. Almazrou: *I realize we have a law that defends those who are religiously different that can ask for academic requirement to be off and excused, such as a holiday or related day to religion. Please critique mistakes. I move to amend document:*
 - 1. Under the last THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, ...shall be forwarded **and** presented... *I want to have a discussion with faculty about making this a thing, and their opinion on rescheduling.*
 - 2. Second/ Quaschnick
 - 3. Voted On, Passed
 - iii. Quaschnick: Author, for the combination of testing, it would be done through Center of Testing?
 - 1. No, it would be done through professor themselves, however they need to speak in the first 3 weeks of Fall/Spring semester, and first week of Winter/Summer sessions.
 - iv. Where would be the test be done?
 - 1. A location under professor's discretion.
- c. SA1516-14: Resolution Requesting Grading Scale Research
 - i. Garcia/Tashner
 - ii. Otterbacher: *In doing concealed carry survey, other issues we can address included lots of response over grading scale. I'll bring my findings next week. We just need a charge, so that this can be delegated and passed as a policy.*
 - iii. Steck: Finally! I look forward to seeing this go somewhere.
 - iv. Quaschnick: I had no idea that this was different than UWSP. A good idea to amend "an alternative scale". I amend:
 - 1. Rephrasing last line to say "**another appropriate grading scale that is at or above 10-point scale.**"
 - 2. Second/Nicholson
 - v. Garcia: I am opposed to bill, because B+ could negatively affect GPA as opposed to AB.

- XIV. Discussion
- XV. Announcements
- XVI. Adjournment

STUDENT SENATE ATTENDANCE 10/21/15

Last	First	Roll Call	Roll Call #2
Almazrou	Yousef		
Ames	Jeremy		
Anderson	Allison		
Banker	Blaine		
Bennett	James		
Bentdahl	Madison		
Bhatoya	Aaron		
Brever	Patrick		
Cruz	Stefani		
Eidenschink	Matthew		
Faust	Alexander		
Floerke	Weston		
Garcia	Spenser		
Gunaratnam	Alfonso		
Gustafson (gustifsin)	Allison		
Hackett	Kayley		
Hayward	Paige	x	x
Hungness	Dana		
Johnson	Zackariah		
Jurecki	Haley		
Mason	Lauren		
Mans	Emily		
Nicholson	Matthew		
Purath	Anicka		
Quaschink	Andrew		
Razidlo	Anna		
Rudolph	Chris		
Schultz	Thomas		
Sparks	Jacob		
Steck	Rebecca		
Tashner	Brittany		
Tatum	Jasmin		
Yakes	Alissa		
Yang	Gaozie Vang		