

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN–LA CROSSE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

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Student Senate Agenda Date: September 30th, 2015 Time and Location: 6:00pm Port O' Call; Cartwright Center

- I. Call to Order
 - a. Opened by Hartwig/Razidlo
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of agenda
 - b. Approval of minutes
- V. Guest Speakers
 - a. Natalie Solverson
 - Director of Institution Research & Planning speaking on the behalf of the reaccreditation of UW La Crosse. Every 10 years, each university or institution is evaluated to assure licensure. This April, a board of peers will come and learn about our campus. Preparation for this visit includes a Quality Initiative (Firm Footing Initiative), an Assurance Argument, federal compliance, and the visit itself, which takes place April 11-12, 2016. Refer to UW-L website to review Assurance Argument for public viewing. Visit includes student opinion survey to go out in early Spring 2016 to evaluate status of campus from students' viewpoints. Continuous open forums also available to input opinion as well.
 - 1. Schimmel: What contributions can students make to the argument?
 - a. Solverson: How UWL meets criteria expectations, looking for feedback within survey in errors of fact
 - 2. Brever: How long will the decision making process be?
 - a. Solverson: They will begin putting together feedback document while they are here. Usually 4-6 weeks until we hear back. Usually monitoring and follow up steps. Certain points they focus on within visits.
 - 3. What are the ramifications if we don't meet expectations?
 - a. Solverson: We would not be able to transfer credits, give financial aid, and the worse thing that could happen would be that the institution would close, however I really do not feel that we are in that position.
 - 4. Schimmel: Are the chances of us **not** meeting these expectations low?
 - a. Solverson: Yes, I would say those chances are low.
 - b. Scholarship Resource Center

New on campus this year, currently housed in the Student Financial Center, Scholarship Resource Center wants to encourage and assist students in signing up for scholarships with a newly established database. They have taken out some of the legwork of finding scholarships to apply for by compiling them in one database relatable specifically to UWL students. The Resource Center is currently working on setting up office hours to help students apply for scholarships of large amounts and working with multiple campus organizations to spread the word and let students know about this new opportunity.

Becker: I noticed the deadlines are right now, so are these for current semester or next year?

These are in deadline order.

- Becker: The ones that are coming up, are they for next year? They have been up here for a few months, however they just haven't come off our list yet. The award dates are specific to scholarships
- Brever: Could you tell me the room number in Graff?
 - 215 Graff Main Hall
- Anderson: Would you apply these to loans as a sophomore?
 - If you're going to grad school as well, you could use it for that.
- VI. General Student Body Open Forum
- VII. Officer Reports
 - a. President: Kaylee Otterbacher
 - i. USA Today App is ready! Please go download! We have supplies for promoting the App and we'll eventually need help spread the word and marketing this resource out to the campus. Next week we are planning for "It's On Us" with other governing bodies on campus. Together we're going to make a plan of attack for National Week of Action: Nov. 9- Nov 13. Next week I'll set up a large meeting to assign committees, varying on responsibility level. Also, in 30 min., Freshman Graduate level elections will close. Which leads me into next week, on Oct 10, will be the Student Reps Meeting in Sheboygan. Student Reps is the Student-body governing group to talk about state-wide issues with 2 reps from each class. Next, we're looking into a low-cost, efficient electronic voting system for Senate, with John's help. Currently looking at funding for one option: Town Vote.
 - 1. Eidenschink: Why not iclickers?
 - a. Otterbacher: Always would have to have turning point system on in the background, which runs off of Powerpoint program, which means we would always have to be inputting things into PPT. This way, it does it automatically. Must more challenging to have these systems take in anonymous votes.
 - 2. Eidenschink: Would everyone have the same clicker throughout the year?
 - a. Otterbacher: Yes
 - 3. Brever: How much will it cost?
 - a. Davies: 2500
 - ii. Otterbacher: Also realize that there are a lot of new things in our bylaws that need to be changed and we haven't had a Constitution Referendum vote in over 2 years, so let me know if you see any changes that need to be made. Any questions or marketing ideas?
 - b. Vice President: Molly Davies

- i. Davies: I have the list of everybody's committees. If you are on a committee that your schedule conflicts with, cross your name off. Also put on when you meet (date and time). If you are dropping out, write your name in a new spot. Also, please say your name before you talk so the new Secretary can get to know you. There are 3 new seats open to students and until Friday at 3pm; please get students to fill this spot so we can have a full senate. Currently we are 8 spots short of a full Senate. Lastly, I wanted to make a card for Larry.
 - 1. Otterbacher: Larry got out of the hospital yesterday and recovering well. Not sure when he will be back. After the meeting we will film a small video for him and a card for you to sign in the office over the next week as a Get Well wish so he will come back.
- c. Chief of Staff: John Becker
 - i. I hope you all were able to attend the off campus student housing fair yesterday, it went very well.
- d. Chief of Staff to the Vice President: Kate Laird
 - i. Senator of the week is Senator Mason for taking on the Senate money. I am still putting together challenges for you and your Senate buddies as incentive for meeting with your buddies and racking up your hours.
- e. State Affairs Coordinator: Jacob Schimmel
 - i. This past week I've been looking into Bonds report, and I am still confused as to what it means. Several calls and references to several offices to figure out how the bill will be funded. Basically a loan will be taken out to fund under a Bond authority in order to lower interest rates that we pay. Still looking on more information on the bonds and how they are sponsored, interest rates, etc. Not sure what to recommend you to lobby for because I don't have enough information. We could go to legislature and lobby for not supporting new authority because no info on how the government supports it. Multiple approaches: Avocating for democrats to change bill, republicans to support bill completely. Waiting on approach until more answers.
- f. Local Affairs Coordinator: Brady Gross
 - i. The housing fair was yesterday and it went really well. Landlords, students, etc were there giving away free pizzas, etc. Goosetown association doesn't have much organization; working on how we can work with that and working with sum fee. La Crosse St to Main St. Need help hanging door posters for Oktoberfest.
 - 1. Molly: Will be counted for office hour or outreach hour for week.
- g. Inclusivity Coordinator: Ayush Shrestha
 - i. DOC met last week. 2nd and 4th Monday of the month to discuss problems. If anyone wants to work with resolution through USC let me know.
- VIII. RHAC Reports
 - a. Bentdahl: We went to retreat and got to know reps.
 - b. Brever: Excited about Buzz app! Oktoberfest approaching, "batting down the axes" on the residents with that.
- IX. Advisor Reports
 - a. Please remember to have fun, be good friends to avoid trauma and tragedy.
- X. Committee Reports

- a. Hartwig: Selected chair (it's me) have leadership for SUFAC committee, approved form for people to get their cash back and within the next few weeks.
- b. Yakes: We went over plans for flag football tournament and sexual assault awareness week. Something we'd like to open up to everyone and get some involvement. Next week we'll get together with other governing bodies
- c. Yang: I am new chair for Cultural Affairs committee. Really need more members in addition to Hartwig and Yang.
- d. Schimmel: AIDAC . I was elected chair.
 - i. Kate: When are your meetings for cultural affairs
 - 1. Meetings are Mondays at 4 in room 228.
- XI. Organizational Reports
 - a. Razidlo: Event coming up for NASA for Indigenous people day at 5:30 in auditorium in Graff. FIERCE exec members elected, bridge between OMSS and Pride center. I will be co-chair for FIERCE. Meetings will be Sundays at 6pm, unsure of location, beginning next Sunday.
 - b. Hartwig: "I heart female orgasms" put on by Pride Center and CAV beginning at 6:30 or 7 next Monday.
 - c. Brever: Working on Fundraiser for New Horizons in La Crosse and their sexual assault awareness efforts. Looking for slogans at the moment. We meet on Sundays
 - d. Gunaratnam: We talked about talent show for next semester last evening.

XII. Unfinished Business

Motion by Hartwig/Garcia

- a. SA1516-005: Resolution Recommending use of Student Initiative Money
 - i. Rizidlo: I'd like to see these motion tabled. I believe there are other areas that this money could be going to that we should discuss. After hearing it's not so time sensitive, we should take advantage of time to explore other options.
 - ii. Brever: I would like to ask the Chair how much time we actually have
 - iii. Molly: Dr. Paula do you have a better time for that?
 - iv. Dr. Paula: No actual time, but probably by end of Fall semester. Nothing else to dictate time other than budget cycle.
 - v. Molly: Now a public document. People are starting to plan their budgets based around this money estimation
 - vi. Brever: I would like to agree with Rizidlo's statement to take more time to discuss.
 - vii. Hartwig: Agree with previous senators' opinions. I propose striking this down and writing a new document to avoid mistakes.
 - viii. Yakes: I do agree that given more time we should more time we should table this and generate some more ideas and conservation. I disagree with striking this down, so that we don't disagree with the already proposed ideas. Could I move to table this to next week?
 - 1. Yakes/Purath motion to table
 - 2. Molly: Can also refer to a committee.
 - 3. Call to Question
 - a. 11-10-1, motion passes
- XIII. New Business
 - a. SA1516-006: Resolution Approving Student Court Nominations

- i. Kaylee: My nominations to Student Court. First justice is here, second justice is not here and will not be here next week. I hope she can email more about herself to you all.
 - 1. I propose the chair ask the candidate who can't be in attendance write a paragraph to Senate body about herself.
- b. SA1516-07: Resolution Recommending the Inclusion of Shared Governance Bodies

Motion to open Garcia/Sparks

- i. Brever: I'd like to add that RHAC is voting to sponsor this tomorrow and it looks good.
 - 1. Hartwig: I am one of the authors on this document. I affirm that this is a good decision to make. It may be seen as insignificant, how i. We want to be kept in the loop.
 - 2. Mans: I direct my question to Hartwig. Any effort to involve members of Senate?
 - a. Molly: The contract was signed and put into paper before any of us saw this.
 - 3. Yakes: I would ask for more clarification and what else goes on and what we should be focusing on.
 - a. Brever: We want to be broad and as a point of reference to those who want to know more.
 - 4. Yakes: I would further elaborate on more specifics so we know business transactions, monetary value, just so we're all clear on what we expect from administration.
 - 5. Hartwig: At some point this campus may notice smaller population size. We may offer beds to other universities, or rent out classrooms to other institutions. Releasing to newspaper was not good business practices.
 - 6. Mason: From previous discussion, I would suggest facility usage, versus monetary value, such as parking spaces that students are not using.

XIV. Discussion

XV. Announcements

- a. Rizidlo: Indigenous People Day and fliers. Right after at 7pm is ATP Encore Performance: lots of positive feedback and like to see more senate members there to support social justice issues.
- b. Molly: as of 7 O'clock we have received results and offered/accepted new positions.
 - i. Aaron Vatoya: Sophomore transfer student, introduce themselves
 - ii. Blain Blancker: Is a freshman, and is excited to be here!
 - iii. Master of sophomore grad studies. Undergrad studies at UWSP.
- c. Garcia: Will Rizidlo post on Facebook event information?
 - i. Rizidlo: Yes, consistently.
- d. Rectoberfest Friday 9-midnight ; friends from Western & Viterbo welcome.
- e. Hartwig: Senate dinner next Wed before Senate. Also, Female Orgasm this Monday in Valhalla at 7pm.
- f. Yakes: La Crosse community puts on Thanksgiving dinner annually. This year it was going to be cancelled, however to save it get involved with subcommittee.
- g. Gunaratnum: Tuesday with Students for Tibet movie around 7pm.
- h. Paula: Oktoberfest is here; you're representing UWL. Make good decisions, take care of friends.

- i. Molly: Tabled resolution, no discussion. I hope we have discussions outside of meeting to come up with new ideas. I am an RA, and I care that your names are not in the paper. Please be safe!
- XVI. Adjournment Rizidlo/Tashner

STUDENT SENATE ATTENDANCE 9/30/15

Last	First	Roll Call	Quorum #1
Almazrou	Yousef		
Ames	Jeremy		
Anderson	Allison		
Bennett	James		
Bentdahl	Madison		
Brever	Patrick	Attendance	Quorum #1
Cruz	Stefani	х	х
Eidenschink	Matthew		
Faust	Alexander		
Garcia	Spenser		
Gunaratnam	Alfonso		
Gustafson (gustifsin)	Allison		
Hackett	Kayley		
Hartwig	Timothy		
Hayward	Paige	х	х
Johnson	Zackariah		
Mason	Lauren		
Mans	Emily		
Nicholson	Matthew	х	
Purath	Anicka		
Razidlo	Anna		
Sparks	Jacob		
Steck	Rebecca	х	х
Tashner	Brittany		
Tatum	Jasmin	х	х
Yakes	Alissa		
Yang	Gaozie Vang		