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Student Senate Agenda

Date: April 19, 2017

Time and Location: 6:00pm Student Senate Chamber; The U

- I. Call to Order
 - a. 6:00 pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of agenda
 - b. Motion:Evaker- strike 051 and 052 (e and f) , Motion: Bhatoya, Second: Gunartanam
 - i. PASSED
- V. Guest Speakers
 - a. SUFAC
 - i. Rachel Ramthun: Hello everyone, thank you for letting me come and speak. It's been awhile. I have two things to address, the first is the cab deficit projected coverage and the second is Green Fund stuff. I won't go too much into the cab deficit but the final projected overage is \$25,433; this is the coverage plan that Drea sent us, amended a little bit but not really. The DLS line is something that they approved themselves unless they came to you for that. They are still going to have one but they will just be less well known. The second line is the orgs committee film contingency. This fund is created in case organizations overcommit themselves or have copyright issues in case that happens. As long as this budget is covered for that they thought the one that we altered a little bit was the balance from the orgs committee. I know you guys approved that as a \$2900 reallocation and that's totally cool for the orgs committee to be so cool with that and in any other year it would go back to reserves at the end of the year. So SUFAC was thinking about this and it was cool that orgs was willing to do this. We were concerned because this is essentially for the orgs that don't have funding. For example, I'm the president of PSPAA and we were going to apply for a grant and we thought that since any other year it would go to the reserves first and would guarantee a payment back from cab but if it goes with the orgs committee then they wouldn't have to repay that. So SUFAC wants to ask them to pay it back so it can be reallocated again. Is anyone concerned?
 - a. Roberts: So members of SUFAC asked for our opinion so will this be paid back in full?
 1. Ramthun: Yes, we want them to pay it back in full.



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b. Kallis: I'm confused about the repayment, so if they go through the reserves there is a repayment?

1. Ramthun: We're trying to work in to allow a transfer from the orgs committee to cab, technically orgs was supposed to come to SUFAC first for a reallocation of their budget, so that's kind of where this weirdness comes in. The way we wrote the resolution, we didn't want cab to get a get out of jail free card because it is students money. We just want to make sure that this gets repaid and we don't want it to show up in the books that we are fining cab because that's not what we're doing.

c. Bhatoya: Are there any other implications that will happen with cab, I don't know if that would be SUFAC jurisdiction but I think that would be a good idea.

1. Ramthun: Drea outlined a couple of stipulations they were going to put on themselves. Going into senate and SUFAC to check in and we added three of them, we would like them to come in mid-semester and at the end of the semester to do checkups to make sure they're on the right track. Jara and Tricia will also be required to check in with CAB and Amanda is our person who is in SUFAC and CAB will meet with her as well. The second line is a little bit more technical but it offers cab a better way to keep track of their finances. It requires them to keep track of the finances once they start them. They will also have preset limits on certain areas in their budget, movies, 123 Thursdays, so those will each have their own separate budget. Then they are going to wait to lock in performances until later for cheaper prices. That was their idea and that makes it more difficult to plan. The last one is to really consider the risks of the big performances, what happened with T-pain was that he didn't have to repay us because it wasn't in the contract. So weighing the desire v. risk is important.

a. Arney: What are the chances that they will come in to present each semester next year, what are the chances if they aren't doing a good job or don't make the payments or hold their end of the bargain?

1. Ramthun: The intent of them coming in every 7 weeks would be to head this off before it was a problem. SUFAC



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didn't get to outlining consequences but that's probably something that should be explored.

a. Arney: I don't remember who said it they weren't able to pay SUFAC back so if they can't do that or what they're promising what would happen next?

b. Dr. Ringgenberg: Money will come out at the beginning of the year and it will be gone, was there a time that they didn't pay back?

1. Brever: In the instances I know SUFAC forgave the rest of the money after a certain time period.

2. Larry: I know that's been the case with multiple organizations like the racquet.

3. Ramthun: SUFAC didn't want this to be forgiven and that's why we went with 2 years instead of 3.

1. Arney: I'm not in SUFAC so I don't know if this is a good idea to look into but having that checks and balances with someone to keep track of it.

2. Ramthun: Part of it is that we cannot be in a deficit at the end of the year so they will at least have to repay it.

a. Lang: So will cab be holding an event like T-pain within the next two years?

b. Ramthun: That's what they are going to decide.

a. Arney: So my concern is that there won't be many of us here in 2 more years? I don't know would it be a good idea then if they are not going to have a concert the next time then?

1. Ramthun: I'll leave that up to you guys. So what we want from them is to come in 2 times a semester. The problem they've had with accounting is that they look at the money until it is taken out of the account instead of thinking about it as it's gone when they sign the contract, we also want them to have a treasurer so they can focus on this. So if you want to add or subtract things to the resolution you can go ahead. That's something that you guys can discuss.

a. Arney: Last of all I want to thank SUFAC and their work with all of this but all I'll say is stay strong and hold your guns... that's kind of violent, never mind.



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ii. Ramthun: Lastly I'll talk about the intent was not for this to just be forgiven right away and that's why we decided on 2 years for payback with half being repaid in the first year alone and a fourth for the 2 and 3 year. We didn't think that 4 events would be too much of an impact. Next is Green fund, I'm going to start with the status of the green fund so that we know how much money is in there. So the first thing, Amanda has told us to look at closing out these old obligations so maybe we unobligated that money and take it back.

1. Garcia: The bike people are in the rec all of the time

a. Mason: Why was it obligated if it wasn't used?

1. Ramthun: They were being used at the time.

b. Mason: Is there no stipulation in the green fund that has the specifics of how long until the money goes back into the green fund.

c. Roberts: The bike repair station, those are all completed so why is that money just being addressed now.

1. Garcia: The bylaws say 4 academic years

d. Roberts: So do you have the grounds to do that?

1. Ramthun: I think we would be okay.

e. Schultz: Were those for the new stations or for the old ones because I heard that some of them don't inflate bike tires?

1. Ramthun: I'm going to back away from this on here because I really don't know a ton.

i. Larry: We should have returned them if they never works

f. Arney: It's okay if you don't know the answer to this but as for the tower gardens do you know what's going on?

1. Larry: So because the tower gardens were something provided by one provider so it ended up going to UW system and they looked at it and delayed it a little longer but we have the purchase order and they should be arriving in about 2 weeks. We are now looking for placement areas and they all have their own grow lights so they need an outlet, would senate want one right outside the senate office? Then people can just come up and snip off what they wanted and I wanted to try and see if we could get one of them outside.

2. Ramthun: It will not exceed \$6413 though.

g. Dr. Ringgenberg: Why did the VCRs come in \$3000 over?



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1. Ramthun: I'm thinking they needed more money and so they did another request this semester. We decided that we already bought it so we should finish it to the end.

h. Roberts: Did Amanda do all of the research that these things don't need the money?

1. Garcia: I think more of an issue is that what they are applying for now is different so they can't use those funds and it's a dead project to them to.

2. Ramthun: These funds have been stagnant for a while so I think it would be okay.

iii. Ramthun: So the number we are looking at is \$51483 that includes the sweep back of the older projects and so SUFAC recommendations we thought the water bottle fillers were the best project, Res. Life requested 19 of them and got some more details on this, students have been asking like crazy for these. There is one on the first floor but they are used a lot. So it sounded like this would become a bigger project but if they had to do all with just Res. Life budget it will take 11 years to be completed. The 19 would be 7 to finish Angell and 12 to finish Coate. We decided that since this is a long term project the student impact is large we justified the full ask amount.

a. Mason: Are they doing it hall by hall for plumbing reasons?

1. Ramthun: He said that it would just be a lot easier hall by hall and that overall we want them in 2 places than not at all. In Coate one of the water fountains is blocked off because of a copper leaching problem.

b. Floerke: What was his thought process with this?

1. Ramthun: It sounds like Angell will be finished soon and I think Coate because it's been having the water problems.

c. Garcia: So he said that it's all campus wide and he said those will be the first 2 halls and they finished Angell and Coate and what stops Res. Life from requesting this much every year.

1. Ramthun: That was our concern too and we liked the idea of them spreading it out on campus too but a way around could be approving fewer in the future.

d. Kallis: Is it going to be the piping as well?

1. Ramthun: I think that plumbing is necessary for it but the cost includes labor and I don't think that requires the plumbing. The units themselves are about \$900.

e. Roberts: So if they out it in Coate, if that problem is worse than they think will it delay this?

1. Ramthun: I'm not sure about that.



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f. Floerke: Let's say that happens so what if they can't do the water fountains?

g. Garcia: In the past I heard that it did require plumbing and more piping work from the upper floors.

1. Mason: I work with Doug so I could have a conversation with him but we can do that later.

iv. Ramthun: The next project was the Eagle hallways and the LED lights, we thought that as long as they recycle the fluorescent bulbs it'll be okay. They next one is light sensors, this is a pilot project. They are thinking Drake Hall. They are requesting \$9200 for ceiling and wall sensors so the lights will shut off if there is no one in there. They are going to see how much money this will save. We thought that this was a really good idea to see what happens. I got an email from the Green Fund coordinator and the fashion week request was pulled. The stadium lights were a similar project to eagle but instead of replacing with LED lights they are replacing with fluorescent. Overall I think there would be more but we told them to bring a request with LED lights. Questions on that?

a. Roberts: Could you go back to the budget? So the whole trees would cut into the budget?

1. Ramthun: Yes, if we pass all of them we would be over budget but if you want more time to think about it you could table it but I don't know how that works.

b. Amanda Goodenough

i. Goodenough: Hi everyone my name is Amanda and I was invited to talk to you all about micro aggressions that would allow you to continue the conversation on your own time. This might be review for some of you. I call this the macro effect of micro effects. I want to start with inclusion and then I will define microaggressions and we can talk about the impact. Inclusion, in order to understand this you have to unpack the idea of exclusion so I know that's a thing we can connect on, so I want you all to think of a time that you have been excluded or felt excluded. So sit back and think. Maybe you could think about your parents, have your mom or dad made a decision where you felt left out. What about relationships, maybe for the women, your boyfriends comments are taken more seriously than other things? If you can't think of anything with those two, holidays are also hard sometimes for people and they feel alone. Studying abroad can lead to feeling left out. Sports, maybe you had an experience with sports. Invisible disabilities, it doesn't look like anyone has a learning disability but what if they're excluded? I don't have a ton of time to address everything but to get some of us thinking, what did you notice in



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what I said? How did it make you feel, what did you notice? Why didn't you notice that?

- a. Roberts: Well you said women think of a time when you took what your partner said something offensive and there has been times that happens more often but the language used for the woman to do that was exclusive language.
 - b. Mason: You didn't say partner you said husband so that excludes people who identify differently.
 - c. Kallis: The relationships are not always romantic
- ii. Goodenough: We just looked at one way and people had great things to say so just to make sure we are on the same page lets here from more?
- a. Garcia: For the sports question you only addressed the men in the room and labeled two specific sports, I ran cross country in high school and it was always the joke even though we made it to state and the football team didn't.
 - b. Olp: I thought it was interesting how sports was what was chosen.
 - c. Gunaratnam: Holidays, people asked this last weekend if they went home for Easter, just assuming that everyone celebrates Easter. I've heard that plenty of times before but it's just disappointing to hear that.
 - d. Kallis: I'm Jewish and it bugs me when people ask if I celebrate Easter and it was my brothers birthday this weekend so I did go home but I don't really celebrate Easter I celebrate Passover. It just bothers me that no one asks how my holiday went and they assume that I went home for those and it's really annoying.
 - e. Arney: That reminded me when I was in Italy I had a friend ask me if I was catholic or protestant and it just makes me think about how that language is excluding.
- iii. Goodenough: The feelings I was getting in the room was people being annoyed. Another time I did this there as a woman in the back who got really mad about the comment about the sports because she thought that's what she was going to be listen to for a while. I want to say that most of what I've talked about in almost every prompt there is a lot of stuff to unpack and there were microaggressions. Microaggressions are brief and commonplace exchanges and could be uncouscious, but are often well intended. These are often dismissed as innocuous. I'm going to show you a video now with Dr. Sue. His research focuses around microaggressions around race, sexuality, and gender. A few more things about microaggressions, they can also be environmental. His research has a lot of



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different forms of microaggressions and there are highlighted themes, messages of color blindness, superiority, pity, and these are captured in the themes. This really focuses on the oppressed and marginalized communities. This is a more contemporary form of bigotry. When I talk to my dad about what he experienced growing up who is a black man, our experiences are different but they are both still racism and the same is true with sexism. The eras and generations are different with experiences but it's still racism and it's still sexism. There's people who would say that we are post racial America but it just shows up differently. It's illegal to discriminate but that doesn't mean that it doesn't happen. I wanted to talk about the micro part in microaggression. We have to look at the whole with microaggressions, but if you imagine having a paper cut but having a conversation with someone who doesn't have a paper cut they won't understand how a little thing hurts you but if I'm constantly getting paper cuts you can look at just one and say that it's not a big deal but 1000 cuts while on campus might change you. That might be another way to look at it. Every day, automatic, unconscious, well intended. If you remember anything remember these, I was at Western Tech and introducing myself and almost immediately someone raised her hand and said "I don't see you as black because you're a professional" Sometimes I can tell that story people are so appalled and other times people don't understand. It was a very automatic response the girl had, I want to believe that it was a compliment but I didn't receive it that way and maybe it came out that way because she has some unconscious bias in her mind. I had so many thoughts in my mind about what she was saying and I didn't know how to address it and I didn't know if I should address her but I didn't want that to just go without talking about it but I wanted to share that as an example. Does that make sense? I want to switch gears but I wanted to give you this scenario (activity).

iv. Goodenough: There could be a lot of answers but the surgeon was intended to be a woman. When I first saw this I was totally stumped and one of the most common answers was God. People couldn't even consider that a surgeon could be a woman but when I looked at it I struggled. It didn't even enter as someone who identifies as a woman and that's a way I've been socialized. I love my Dad so much but he told me all the time to marry a doctor but he never told me I could be a doctor so I thought it wasn't a possibility for me. The main point is to think about the unconscious biases we all have. It affects the way we see the world and policies and practices. These complicate things but it's there and in all of us. I'm going to show you a clip to make things a little more messy. Did



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anyone notice anything? I remember immediately having a reaction to that because I didn't like the way he answered that and some of you saw that and sometimes I'll hear, well that's not what he meant. I think that John McCain was in a really tough situation and I think he meant well but I do question was there any unconscious bias, what did he think of Arab people and what did he absorb from the things happening? That's the thing about microaggressions but who's right? I want to leave you with I don't know that we can ever get to right or wrong with these things because of the complexities. Questioning, it leaves you questioning the intentions and thinking about it a lot, maybe that wasn't a big deal? Maybe that wasn't racist? I was confused. Invisibility, we are acting with really good intentions and it isn't conscious to us and it's not visible how do I make someone else see that. How do we have that conversation. And then, that I hear all the time on this campus is the minimization. If it gets to the point of addressing the issue, the problem gets minimized and people think you're looking at it the wrong way and that you're being too sensitive. You're looking at one instance but you have to look at the big picture. Your unconscious bias might come out at the wrong times if you don't address it. For John McCain that could cost trust, relationships, like I said earlier I almost lost someone because she was going to leave the room. Unfortunately I don't have time tonight to go more into it. If someone hurting isn't enough for you to care, there is a lot of research out there that outlines the added up penalty of microaggressions. Some of us are targets more often though than others. There is a lot of research that shows the impact is almost the same as blatant or overt acts of bias. This is because it's hard and normalized so it's hard to challenge. I want to leave you with how do you move forward, what do you do with it as an individual, as a collective entity, what does that mean for you?

a. Burgess: I think a big thing is to pause and not get defensive right away and I think as a human trait it's instinct to want to defend yourself but pausing before you speak.

1. Goodenough: That's huge, listening is a very important part.

b. Roberts: Having microaggressions come out of us that were in our minds it's no different than other thought but it's about addressing that and telling yourself that's not okay and thinking back to where your thoughts stem from. We think about race as the person being and we think but I think looking internally is really important.

v. Goodenough: I'm not a fan of political correctness. It does nothing to address the way that we think. This isn't about changing how we talk and communicate



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this is about changing how we think. There is a lot of narratives about political correctness being that but it's about how you think. I would love to have more conversation but hopefully that gives you some food for thought. Please utilize campus climate as a resource if you have questions, please think about what this means personally to you. There are costs once you leave here. I think we're doing everyone a disservice if we don't look at ourselves. Some people lose these jobs over this but hopefully there are moral reasons that you would want to improve on this. If you have any questions feel free to contact me.

VI. General Student Body Open Forum

i. Kevin Hundt: This past December in Milwaukee, a white supremacist group at UW Madison the bell curve was prevented from speaking at bellmont, last month a flyer at the was for Jewish Privilege and there was a free speech group that was meeting and just yesterday a leader of the alt right but tomorrow there will be a talk called "who's threatening your freedom of speech?" we must be steadfast in and this has not been about. They are attempting to say that sexism and racism are not a problem. Examines the phenomenon on speech, just because your mouth is open doesn't mean that it protects speech, but to spread lies on campus, we will not debate their theories they have crossed the line and we have seen enough of this and we don't need to keep fueling the fire. I'm not calling for this to be cancelled but it needs to be clear to not support this.

VII. Officer Reports

a. President: Jacob Schimmel

i. Schimmel: Just before I get started, let's give a round of applause to our new city council man. I wasn't invited but that's okay; So I'm looking forward to working with him in that role. I went to Madison and met with WCASA and they heard about this a couple of months ago and they are the experts on the topic. I talked to them for a good hour and a half. We talked about what model looks best in serving survivors. What we had been discussing here were options on campus. WCASA is adamant is having on campus and off campus. What legislative looks best would be the community reasons but feel free to talk to me about it. What I would like to do would get the same legislation, have the violence prevention specialist be contracted out and there are organizations on each campus and they are working on getting grants out and the idea is to have these positions put in place in state statute they're just not hired through the university. That's what we are trying to look for right now. Why I think the community based approach, I think there could be collusion with administration talking to them but the concern is that with survivors it might be hard for them to want to talk to someone they associate with the



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university. In my mind I think that it would be, as well as looking with the legislators, they are much more interested when it becomes a community based effort. You have to have support on both sides. I'll be working with Rep. Billings on this and a few other legislators as well. I think this might be a little bit of a effort to have them go forward with the violence prevention specialist.

a. Quashnick: Has rep. Billings been able to read any of the others drafts?

1. Schimmel: Yes, I believe she's seen that and I think she is leaning towards a community based approach. One is looking for more general support but what I'm looking for and a couple others are actual support. If they're not directly interacting with the people then I don't really know that we are doing. I want the language to be stronger because I don't want it to be taken through a loophole. I was at the JFC hearing, Keyla came in with me and I thought that it went really well about UW funding. Actually, there was a representative who was impressed with Keyla's speech and he came up to talk to us, what we did find that was interesting, with the opt out the conversation is still alive and will in the JFC, he feels the opt out won't go through they want to put in something to look over comprehensive reviews of the allocable fees and then it becomes a politicized process and that's something that I and the reps would be opposing. He mentioned the issue of transportation and doesn't think things like SUFAC should be subsidizing bus passes. That's going to be something that we'll have to look out for but he and some of the other members think that moving the allocables to the non allocables and who says that the new chancellor doesn't want to fund those things, we want that in the hands of the students. I hope you all participated in the call in. Upon confirmation of the results of the election, we'll open it up to the cabinet and it will come from Lauren and I. With that I'll talk about the fall break information so grab on to your skivvies. So the overall turnout for this survey was about 2500 people. The core statistic, the student population is 83.6% in favor of a fall break. For the people advocating for this. There really isn't much differentiation between the different colleges. Even in CSAH. Karen and I



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will work to get this into PDFs.

- a. Burgess: Would you be able to send me the written responses?
 - ii. Schimmel: The answer to the how many days long, 36%- 3 days, and 30% were 5 days. October was the preferred month. The answer to the question of asking starting before September and that was 57%.
 - b. Vice President: Patrick Brever
 - i. I have a quick update on the resolution that passed last week. We met with Dr. Bob last Friday and they have been working on this all year. They are close to having pads and tampons in the vending machines and they are now looking at different options and there will be signs in every restroom where to go to purchase the products. The vending machines take credit cards, campus cash and the charge is 50 cents right now and that's not where they want it to be they are at the price point but hopefully that can change. Next, the wellness coordinator there is a search and screen committee for that position. We have two meetings left after this. If you are a committee chair. The PSPAA are bringing a speaker to campus tomorrow and we have been invited to a private reception tomorrow and there will be food there and I will put that on Facebook and the main event will be at 6:00 pm. And at any time someone has asked me to promote an event I have done so but there is also the Free Speech event tomorrow.
 - c. Chief of Staff: Lauren Mason
 - i. The one thing that I am currently working on is redoing portions of the executive cabinet bylaws like there is a place for interns under the director but that hasn't been done for a very long time. There is also a position for the person of parliamentary procedure and that's changed now. All of the directors have been asked to look at their specific duties. After everything that happened with the constitution I've made sure to label everything that was changed.
 - d. State Affairs Director: Tyler Halloran
 - e. Local Affairs Director: Madison Wescott
 - i. Schimmel and I are making a cumulative list of all of the landlords and hopefully that will be together but we are moving forward.
 - f. Inclusivity Director: Karlie Stefan
 - i. If you want to carry on the conversation send me an email and we can talk about it.
- VIII. RHAC Reports
- i. Burgess: Our first day of battle of the bandages was today and that's tomorrow from 12-6 as well.
- IX. Advisor Reports
- i. Dr. Larry: If anybody is around late may, early June, they want



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professional pictures of the building and you will have to sign a release, just send me an email.

a. Bhatoya: Do we get paid?

1. Dr. Larry: No, if you want to do it just let me know, I just need about 10-20 people and it could be all day long but I'll do something for you. How many of you are cold in here? Some of this is good news but I'm still learning about the building but one thing that happens, when a room is not occupied the heat shuts off and so when I come in here early, it's not going to raise the temperature. We are trying to work on this but the building is energy efficient. Was I supposed to send out an email with the options for the name of the food place?

b. Burgess: Are we going to talk about the names?- the cellar, the den, pizzae,

1. Dr. Larry: I also might need some help with the survey and getting the spelling of the name of the cellar. We also have that big neon sign and some people want that back.

c. Giles: One of my friends got some raw chicken from Einstein's today and every time I take stuff back I really want things documented as much as possible but I'm not happy with some things.

d. Kallis: The psychology professor brought her class to the pride center again, are you going to call her?

1. Dr. Larry: I will call her and take care of that.

e. Schultz: I had someone order a sandwich from mondos and it had a bug in it and I've seen the picture.

f. Tashner: Do we have red mango space?

1. Dr. Ringgenberg: We don't have enough room in this building.

g. Garcia: What are the possible locations of the red mango?

1. Dr. Ringgenberg: There is a list of locations but it would be on campus but they want a picture.

h. Kazewski: I've seen people touching money with gloves on and then touching the food right after.

j. Given: Do you give shout outs to the staff in whitney and in this building?

k. Kallis: I've had to tell people to change their gloves and wash their hands but today I didn't have to say anything and that was really nice.



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- ii. Dr. Larry: Erberts and Gerberts is having a meeting with me at the end of the year so I hope you are all still interested in that.
- X. Committee Reports
 - i. Olp: Would anyone be able to go to the meeting for me on Monday because I won't be able to meet quorum, congrats to Tri Sigma, I would encourage all of you to go to some of the events. Thanks Willis for helping me out.
 - ii. Tashner: It's on Us is a thing and we just got confirmation on the courts and I have a signup sheet, it was supposed to be printed. I have two slots for set up and every hour there are 4 people and tomorrow there is tabling for it from 11-1, if anyone would be willing.
 - a. Brever: Office hours will be exempt for those of you who participate.
 - iii. Tashner: It's on April 30th, the proceeds are going to New Horizons and it's an open tournament, on the team this is our event and do this well and we are partnering with rec sports but they can't man the courts. You're not refereeing you're just there recording the score.
 - a. Roberts: Since this is a week away what can we do?
 - 1. Tashner: We will send out the facebook event, I made a banner toady for tabling and then we will chalk on this Sunday and paint a window in the U.
 - 2. Floerke: Tell your friends, it will be in cash or check on the day of. You sign up through IMleagues where you can sign people up but we have a cap of 16 teams.
 - b. Tahiri: What was the cost?
 - 1. \$40 per team but you get a shirt
 - iv. Tashner: The meeting place for the volunteers will be the the Angell circle.
 - v. Quashnick: Graduate curriculum met, starting with major changes with the occupational therapy. We have a clinical microbiology lab degree and it will be 6 years with a lot of new classes and we got a brand new masters degree in applied statistics. They were modeling that after a different program. We had a whole bunch more changes to the physical therapy program. They decided they wanted to update 55 courses. Microbiology masters we changed and added some things. Recreation management we deleted a lot of courses. Some start immediately with the changes but some will change later on.
 - a. Floerke: Was there any talk about changing the anesthetist program where in the year 2021 you will be required to have a doctorate for that?



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1. Quashnick: We didn't talk about that this year. They removed four 400 level classes and one 700 level class, you need 30 credits for a masters and some are much higher. I didn't hear anything specific though.

vi. Lenz: Textbook rental met and I asked why grad students couldn't get textbook rental for slash courses and why they would pay seg. fees for something they don't use? They said that thought grad students would want to keep their books. So if we did the online, there's a policy they have to use it for 3 years. How electronic textbooks would work, you have to pay for the access code every year and some are more than that. So instead of paying \$170 like we do now it would be around \$400 to do it electronically. Some professors are using access codes already, like accounting but they don't see a downside right now. It sounds like faculty would be the ones leading the charge on that but in the foreseeable future it doesn't look like that will be a thing but in the future maybe and the prices might go down but I don't know.

XI. Organizational Reports

XII. Unfinished Business

a. SA1617-048: Resolution Approving Green Fund Request for Outdoor Connection Whole Trees

i. Garcia: Alright, the trees, yep we've heard about them. I know someone talked about tabling them for a week. This Green Fund request came last semester and next fall the trees will be gone and like someone said before the projects for this year will be able to be moved but not this one. Please approve these trees.

ii. Rubert: I wasn't here for the initial voting, so they will be utilizing each tree?

a. Garcia: 4 out of the 7

iii. Roberts: I'm not officially off the tabling, just because we table it doesn't mean that we don't vote on it in the same. This is just a reason to table because they'll be voted on independently.

iv. Ames: If you chose to fund the trees now, the largest one, the drinking fountains are planned on doing this summer because people aren't in the dorms. Beyond that, each of those projects are much greener than the trees and that's why I would be hesitant to fund them.

v. Quashnick: To reiterate I would like to view the projects as a whole and vote on them separately, I feel that without the funds in front of me that our dollars should be spent wisely, with that I want to table this for one more week. Second- Giles.

a. Garcia: Objection, I think we should vote on this and it's time



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sensitive and next week we still can't vote on the other ones but my heart is beating fast and this has been a lot of work. People have been saying it's not greener but it's visible. The water bottles will not be helping about 10% campus but that is my final ploy of the trees.

vi. Kallis: For those who might have issues voting on them today, being objectively green through the process of getting through this and I think that we can vote on this and respect to the work he's done I don't want to see that wasted. So call to question. Second: Rubert

a. Garcia: Roll call vote

b. PASSED- 66%-yes,

1. Quashnick: You don't just invalidate a vote.

2. Brever: We will use the clickers.

i. New Vote: Y-68%, N-32%

a. INCONCLUSIVE- voting errors so voting next week again (decided after the meeting)

XIII. New Business

a. SA1617-049: Resolution to Increase Student Senate Focus on Inclusivity

i. Given: I just like full attention when I speak. I'm really excited about this resolution and we can have an open discussion about what would be best with this resolution. Pretty much when a senator applies to be a senator they have to answer these 5 questions and the reason is because as we all know it's lenient if we go to office hours and talking to constituency, it's our fault if we don't reach out to our constituents. To accurately do that the inclusivity coordinator will check up with you and make sure your reaching these goals.

ii. Brever: We established in the tone how important inclusivity is.

iii. Floerke: How would you like this to go, would this be a mandated thing. If it is a mandate change should to must. Then second thing, do you plan on looking into changing the responsibilities of the inclusivity director?

a. Brever: My thought was that we could do a one year test run to see how this goes and we have enough institutional memory to be a part of this.

iv. Kallis: I think this is a really great way to promote inclusivity and when you come in here you are prioritizing inclusivity.

v. Given: Does anyone have any critiques of why they wouldn't want to vote for it?

a. Giles: This will be given to the senators after they got the position.



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- b. Tahiri: What if the inclusivity director thought that you weren't fulfilling what you said you would?
 - a. Given: You would have a conversation with the inclusivity director about why you're not.
 - c. Brever: This is an opportunity to be more inclusive but there will be no real punishment or hazing. Any other thoughts?
 - a. Roberts: Move to end discussion
- b. SA1617-050: Resolution to Reserve REC for Relay for Life
 - i. Reinke: Pretty clear cut the rec is asking to use the rec for relay for life and they will close the basketball courts on Feb. 23 until the events start and the next day everything is back to normal. They've been doing this for 12 years, might as well make it another.
- c. SA1617-051: Resolution to Install ADA Compliant Door Opening Buttons Near Centennial Hall Bathroom Doors and Parking Ramp Doors Near the Elevator
 - i. Burgess: Basically just a couple inconsistencies with the centennial bathrooms and they don't have the push buttons but they have the doors so I think that's problematic. The parking ramp structure doesn't have any doors that open a lot. It's just a contradiction that needs to be fixed.
 - a. Roberts: I think this is great and I did some research and it comes to a lawsuit usually and there have been some universities sued over this and they would most likely win. I would hate if students did that but there are a lot of cases that won because they didn't meet ADA requirements.
 - ii. Floerke: If our resolution passes, who does this go through?
 - a. Brever: I think we would take the parking ramp to Victor and the centennial ones to Bob and we would ensure they get this.
- d. SA1617-052: Resolution to Approve 2017 Election Results
 - i. Quashnick: These are the election results and as you can see the results. The school of education had a write in campaign. The CBA was a tight race and there were three winners and in CSAH there were 8. Senator for college of liberal studies and those are your election votes.
 - a. Mueller: Related to the process, when you enter what school you're in but in the case of people like me with biology like me.
 - b. Garcia: Unless you're getting two separate you have to go with the first one that you are.
 - ii. Quashnick: The last senate starts as us and then they swear in the new people.
 - iii. Olp: To the best of your knowledge, will there be any at large seats.
 - a. Quashnick: All the seats should be filled.



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b. Close discussion

XIV. Discussion

i. Roberts: The water listening session that JCES brought was great, I wanted to announce that next Wednesday the Onalaska public library is having a meeting talking about the redistricting in the state of Wisconsin. I think it would be great if a few of us went and I could always drive. It's at 6:30 so if a few of us could go I think that would be great.

ii. Olp: Next week I'll be in D.C. lobbying, it's closing the gap between nonprofit and this bill is trying to have an equal playing field for people to be able to donate. Basically, all of the money would go to housing projects for fraternity and sorority houses. It's important that we keep in up to date. I got to spend new year's in the house and it's old and doesn't work. I would really appreciate it if you considered signing for it but it has a lot of implications nationally.

iii. Roberts: This is just a comment I wrote "it's hard for everyone to work out their bodies, our minds are no different."

iv. Kallis: If you didn't know, April 22 there is a march for science and it starts in Guana Park at 10 am until noon. I'm telling you this because there is another march on the 29 in the morning before the drag show. This spreads awareness about science and earth day.

v. Bhatoya: The ultimate race is tomorrow, we're in a pickle with only 4 teams signed up. Programming is from 6-7:30 and go from station to station to learn about the sexual violence awareness.

vi. Mason: Regarding the Green Fund with the water fountains, what questions would you like me to ask him?

a. Kallis: Ask about the logistics of the piping and how much of the cost is paying for piping.

b. Garcia: Ask what will happen to the current water unit.

c. Floerke: They are having a national summit for student leaders June 5-7 in Washington D.C. if you are interested please nominate them and I will point the link on FB.

d. Garcia: Ask how much it will cost to put it in the different halls?

XV. Announcements

i. Giles: Next week is the public lecture in physics, there is a speaker next Thursday in the Skogan auditorium. I think you should all go.

ii. Schimmel: If there is anything I can do to further your voices on the state level we can help. I think it would be better to have other people other than me. It's been nice having Keyla but it would be great to have more people too but if there is anything that I can do to help further your voices please let me know.



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ii. Mason: There is a show on Saturday for the dance team but they have a show so you should go check it out.

XVI. Adjournment

a. Motion: Bhatoya, Second: Reinke

b. 9:11 pm