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Student Senate Agenda

Date: **October 4th, 2017**

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

- I. Call to Order
 - a. 6:00pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of agenda
 - i. Not going to approve minutes because I forgot to send them up
- V. Guest Speakers
 - a. Anne Galbraith – General Education
 - i. 20th year here and I teach in bio. Sharing in Faculty senate
 - ii. going through a strategic planning process about the concern about general education plan
 - iii. I've been involved in projects throughout the year to redesign it and they have failed, but some good things have come out of it to see if you guys are learning anything
 - iv. we went to the campus and heard their concerns
 - v. in May faculty went to a conference about how GE is done in other campus
 1. we are in the 19th century-ish
 - vi. have developed the program in the early 1990s and we've added stuff, but it is probably the same as it was back then
 - vii. you are suppose to get a variety so you can pick your major, not pick and learn.
 1. See how disciplines act and we aren't doing a good job of that
 - viii. Campuses have made changes and we are looking at those. Over the summer 10 people were put on a group and a variety of faculty from different disciplines that have high stakes in the game
 1. English math etc
 - ix. Look at models on other campuses, and talked about feedback from instructors and assess to deans, stakeholders about what the like/ dislikes and concerns and what they would like to see
 1. From that we are trying to develop models of what we want it to look like on our campus
 - x. Now taking feedback from others and reworking the ideas
 1. Considering: high impact practices. They will help retain students, useful to underrepresented groups so we feel like a cohesive body
 - xi. Common first year courses and capstones experiences, doing the kinds of things you are doing like study abroad, service learning etc.
 - xii. Not going to bring everything to the table first ground because financial and slowly move it along to get people involve
 1. Gonna start with things that campus is ready for and there seem s a lot attractions to a common first year for students.
 2. Require everyone to take a first year small class that would hit some topic that you are interested in.



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- xiii. Build relationships in smaller class
 - 1. UWL 100 would be replaced by these and incorporate that with more
- xiv. What to do with the other course to make them less of a chore and connect them with the learning outcomes
 - 1. no real model, just want to do that
- xv. open forum in October that are public that you can come and listen and make comments
 - 1. survey on website if you do want to make anonymous online for thoughts and ideas
- xvi. surveys in the past-negative and positive from 2003 came up today
 - 1. we are trying to make it better than what it currently is
- xvii. Questions
 - 1. Arron: Is one of the goals to make the GE program more expansive
 - a. We don't want it to be bigger, smaller but more flexible is what I am trying to do. Hard for some majors to get done in a reasonable amount of year. Unethical that require to people here longer than four years
 - 2. Arron: Its easy to get into GE, what would it mean for upper level courses
 - a. The goal of this is not to increase that so you would have to do more but would have more options, not would have more than one thing that you can do. Don't want to take faculty away. Its not going to make it worse and hopefully it will make it better if we can shrink things and be smarter
 - 3. Dani: Pride center and their thoughts- talking about its redundant to take appreciate courses, and it can be hard to go to outside programs and you have to pay and some cant afford that. Diversity class and how some have been cut like EFN so people find that hurtful and more diversity should be required or put out there. Why is math and language tied together and why ASL is not taught. HPR as a whole and other classes are not advertised.
 - 4. May I have data on the open
 - a. Monday or Tuesday 24, 25th 2:15 150 Murphey
 - 5. Jacob: In terms of math and English requirement- in committee is there discussion on more expansion or flexibility
 - a. Talking about wanting people to get writing, math and public speaking classes done early because those are courses are teaching you skills that will help you for the rest of your career. Going to keep those as are and have that occur sooner and the expansion will be in the other groups. Have the ability to choose out of a pile of classes in stead of groups.
 - 6. Weston: hoes does the GE what can help you into your desired field. Have GE to train for specific majors
 - a. If we start to grow some of the classes that we want to those kinds of thing wont happen for a while. If we could have a class that is related to your desired field, show connections between disciplines. By default we might have things like that. Look at



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the students interests and well need to respond to what people like.

b. The Embassy

- i. My name is poet and I'm part of the embassy and I am with my team
- ii. Excited to start the new organization
- iii. Here to help you understand what the embassy is
- iv. Likes to focus on links program, student voice and conferences
- v. 5 ambassadors
 1. Jacqueline
 2. Devi- tech coordinator
 - a. Stared up app for links
 3. Arika- link programmer and approving funds
 4. Kelsey- goes to the conferences for us
 5. Me- Student rep and working with student voices
- vi. Links like old sig program and anything you can think of you can make a link for
 1. Trip to moke, packers game, request funds, promotion advertising
 2. What I focus on is issues with res life and going to be starting my bi weekly forms
- vii. Five pillars of what we are build off of
- viii. There are the main
 1. Health services and living learning communities – starting right away
- ix. Have Jacque helping me with what I want to go through
- x. A lot of my position will be collecting information from students and letting them know
- xi. How we want to support you- a lot of issues will correlate what you will be working on and I highlight research for student opinion and will make sense to work with you guys on that
- xii. How you can help- joining links and creating links, providing feedback because we are a new org
 1. Possibly having a new seat on senate and want your opinion that would represent reslife because I will be working with res life
- xiii. Have issues that we will both be working on so it would be nice to have that partnership between the two
- xiv. Thoughts?
 1. Dani- most of us were thinking about not keeping those seats because we have discussed that a lot of ORL issues are handled internally and don't come to us, but issues are on a different level but maybe keeping that close contact would be best in a joint committee. Plan to get someone in this seat
 - a. They would be a part of embassy and would represent res life and respond back to me.
 - b. Chelsey- we don't want to send a detailed plan til we know what your opinions are. So once we hear your opinions we will go from that. We have gone to the hall meetings and just being in classes with people.
 2. Aaron- if you would elect a student, I don't see a difference between a



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the person elected and us who live in res life.

3. Lang- one issues we have a senate is that we do have first year senates and we deal with on and off campus.
4. Colin- we all represent a lot of students on campus pretty confident a lot live on res halls and they can bring them to me and I can bring them to ORL and because we represent people who live in res hall so we don't need a res life senator.
5. Could you provide why you what a voting- is there something you want to achieve outside collaboration and communication
 - a. The 6 of us rather than have a spot on senate if you don't want it we don't need a spot to be honest but just would be smarter if we were in contact so we could have some attending meeting regularly. It would be smart for senate to be in contact with us
 - i. Colin- in favor if they have someone here to give us a report, but not have a vote
 - ii. Dani- a lot of work is done in committee and we have lots of power in that aspect. Have the reporting system would be a 1 on 1 conversation rather than the body taking about it. We could help out in that respect but finding other way to do that would be good
 - b. I agree- there is oral can do with the information I get and I know that we agree to have contact between the two groups.
 - c. Why we want a seat- we are less people but we are still in res life
 - i. Isaac- half live on campus half live off in this body and we would work with for the best interest of those so we already have representatives
 - d. RHAC have a voting before why because of the change
 - i. The change brought this to light and senator discuss what we would like to see. We don't think you need a voting seat
 - ii. Dani- the difference be RHAC and Embassy and is a lot. You changed to involve how you get to res and get into the halls, with you evolving senate has to evolve too. A lot of RHAC reporting was events and didn't bring issues, it was an ORL issues that were dealt with internally. we know about the events and issues so what s the difference between us and those seats, you are welcome to come in and have an open communication. I don't see a need for a designated seat
 - iii. Lang- we do have an announcement section in every week so keep in contact with us and we can put it in the minutes.
 - iv. You can always live up to your name, if you think needs to be a connection you can you just wont have a vote but have a seat.
 - e. April- I read student minutes and have ben interested about



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different student org seat and I was an important issues. Ask how that factors in.

- i. Abby- I agree with what they are saying there are empty seats. I don't get what is another seat to another voice to represent, there is open seats and I don't see the problem and we want more orgs
- ii. Meli- I think it is more about equal rep and campus people are getting over representation.
- iii. Ethan- sound like embassy is more redundant because their matter can be mattered internally. I agree with original- not necessary to have seats
- iv. Lucas- factor to consider- res life we should remember they have a body with lots of people. All the people on campus required to live on campus for one year, because of they should be able to get a spot. How can we make them be apart of them and not give them a voice
- v. Justice- as long as there are two freshman seats there will always be representatives

VI. General Student Body Open Forum

VII. Officer Reports

a. President: Jacob Schimmel

- i. First- last week Thursday joe billings office to get people up to speed, provide students and UW system with more resources institutional impact related to sexual violence
 1. Ingrid Peterson handles everything in relations of that process
 2. We want to make sure that is available across the sate and last year we worked with billings office to craft a bill to pose to the state legislator state wide and here, but not mandatory and could be cut down the line
 - a. Craft a bill to make sure there is always that resources here and other UW system
 3. Ben will talk about the process
 4. Crat a bill with billing or Shankline to provide resources on and off campus and how we want to provide those resources.
 - a. Have an Ingrid Peterson on every campus
 5. We have changed it to help survivors as well as getting support to make it a community effort. Instead of university it would come from a community nonprofit. The concern that KASA has is there is some uncomfortably with the university providing that.
 - a. Have been concerns on other campuses and at other states
 6. Also working with rep Baldwin and want to support it with some community model and so a this point we are going to work further on what to do
 - a. Have rep billings draft a bill and Jill will propose will be likely from Katrina.
 7. Potentially have a program were universes could apply for a grant through the state



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- a. State would provide the money so its non unfunded mandate
- ii. Second- freedom of expression
 - 1. Coming up later this week and board will decide what to do.
 - 2. There is nothing that specifies where the protester has to be to be prosecuted/punished
 - a. A big grey area
 - 3. Questions?
- b. Vice President: Lauren Mason
 - i. We have the opportunity to give four names to go to leadership. Friday to wed of spring and you talk about leadership
 - 1. Kallie-Its fun you should go. A time to disconnect from everything else and focus on your future and your goals. Getting closer with others and it was a really cool experience if you have the time and I recommend it
 - ii. Have to have a lest one more year left to go
 - 1. Haley-You get close with a lot of people and it was worth it, interactive and its free
 - iii. you can email me later if interested
- c. Chief of Staff: Weston Floerke
 - i. Brittney is not here- its her birthday- not everyone has got your bio in
 - ii. Rotary lights- waiting on the date to when we can volunteer 6-8 people
- d. State Affairs Director: Ben O'Connell
 - i. Agree with Schimmel on state stuff
 - ii. Talking with Schankline office as well as WACASA on the progress they have made. Sounds like they have a bill they have been drafting and will get to know on where they are at and get student input on that
 - iii. Depending where that is at it could turn into a lobby option
 - iv. Freedom of expression-In senate it is not moving
- e. Local Affairs Director: Steph Boebel
 - i. Housing fair on Thursday 10a-2p in bluffs
 - 1. Rent college pad 3p-6p
 - ii. Bystander training passed and will be voted on next Thursday
- f. Inclusivity Director:
 - i. DOC finished interviews and we need to go over thoughts and Schimmel and I will give you a candidate on that
- g. Public Relations Director: Brittany Tashner

VIII. RHAC Reports

IX. Advisor Reports

- a. Larry- report that res life policy is not something we are affiliate with
- b. Have some more furniture in
- c. Hired more people in dinning
- d. Open to questions
 - i. Students are having issues getting on the system
 - 1. A lot of students can get into payroll because HR staffs didn't feel like they had enough time
 - ii. Block meals and how they apply at Starbucks-limited about of drink you can get.
 - 1. I can review that.



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- iii. Update on microwave?
 - 1. Been a request to add a request and I have a spare microwave
 - 2. Library q- who is going to clean it up
- iv. Get me numbers on dining
 - 1. Meeting with them tomorrow morning
- v. When talking to Steve he said an issue is the bathroom checks were done with Huston. How much is Huston and how much are ours
 - 1. Two different HR's and it has nothing to do with their criminal background checks.

X. Committee Reports

- a. Schimmel- have a meeting to discuss reworking the committee
 - i. Works with 1.4 million
 - ii. Reform so process of budgeting will be in spring so they have more time to preform their reports so they will have a better idea on what they want to talk about and be less competitive and loosen formalities.
 - iii. Looking to start it up officially in the nest week or two.
- b. Colin- SUFAC meet and we looked at cash balance meals(in the fall if you don't spend money it will be in reserves) normally used for miss bills. We only go two from OSS for \$1500 and gave them money for operations things and give them more later on.
 - i. LGBTQTA – request money and we did not give them the money because the report didn't constitute what they want so we will wait to see if they need the money and they can resubmit it later
 - ii. Talked about no allocable vs allocable and are waiting on that
 - iii. Looked at one shots and have questions that we are sending out and will be back next week
- c. Dani- Election commission- two new freshman senators, graduate and I have a resolution to see if he wants to position. One student wants to know if she could be in senate even if she doesn't not live here but goes to UWL.

XI. Organizational Reports

- a. Oct 23rd the U at 6 Monday ASO
- b. Milike- BSU doing a three week basketball fundraiser next week Thursday 6-830p in Mitchell. Sigh up by Friday.
 - i. Weston- do you have to pay Friday when you fill out he form
 - 1. Can pay wither way

XII. Unfinished Business

- a. SA1718-009: Resolution Supporting Distribution of Bystander Intervention Material
 - i. Stephanie- would give bystander information to anyone getting an operation leverage
 - ii. Aaron- last wheaeas doesn't make sense to me
 - 1. Friendly amendment
 - iii. Haley- last part community members as a whole moved to beginning
 - iv. Issac – UWL students and community as a whole would feel safer overall in the presence of engaged bystanders
 - 1. Colin- call to question
 - 2. Vote- all I's
 - 3. Second Vote- all I's



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XIII. New Business

- a. SA1718-010: Resolution to Approve Fall 2017 Election Results
 - i. Lang as sponsor
 - ii. Dani- strike out graduate senator from approved section and strike three to two and strike and graduate student from the first whereas.
 1. The election and people voted for these two.
 - a. Ethan , literature major- he him his
 - b. Anaika- literature major- she her hers
 - iii. Vote on changes
 1. No objections
 2. Vote- all I's
 - iv. Back into discussion
 1. Colin- suspend two week rule
 - a. No objections
 - b. Vote
 - i. All I's
 2. Colin – call to question
 - a. Issac- second
 - b. No objections
 - c. Vote
 - i. All I's

XIV. Discussion

- a. Lauren- there was a lady who passes away in a car accident and her sister was involved and since DSP wants to meet in here and want the plaque in here
 - i. Her birthday is Oct. 26th and world like to do a ceremony
 - ii. And have Bridget with them always and have it either in here or outside room
- b. Isaac- this isn't are room and I think they can put up what they want
- c. Larry- I wanted your feedback if it is okay
 - i. Aaron- they have a right ot honor her
 - ii. In the future if there is another future death we should handle it on a case by case representation
 - iii. Dani- something that is necessary and personal and have a physical
 1. Want to know if they want us apart of the ceremony

XV. Announcements

- a. Schimmel- email out so we have 2 open position on student court so please talk about it
- b. Isaac- recently I was appointed county board seat so if you have concerns about the county you can bring it to me
 - i. If anything comes up ill bring a presentation so you know what happens in our district
 - ii. Monday Oct 9th we are going to be having an even in hall of nations at 6pm
 - iii. Dani- I heat female orgasm is coming back to La Crosse, Tuesday at 7 the The U
 1. If you want to know about this fun topic come
 2. Loving day is next Tuesday
 3. National coming out day is next Wednesday
- c. Lauren- people involved in student committees all of the agendas and minutes need to be sent to Carolyn because they are public meetings.



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- XVI. Adjournment
 - a. 7:58pm