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Student Senate Agenda

Date: **Wednesday, February 13th, 2019**

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

- I. Call to Order
 - a. 6:04 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of Agenda
 - b. Becker: *I move to add SA1819-034: Resolution for Endorsement of FY20 AIDAC Budget to New Business /Horstman*
 - i. Passed
- V. Guest Speakers
 - a. Alec Smith – UWS Student Representatives
 - i. Gave an update on UW System Student Reps. Mentioned from last meeting at UW Fox Valley how 2 new members were just confirmed for a filled executive board. Also gave an update on up and coming legislative priorities such as a resolution working to support sexual assault survivors. Discussed UWS Student Reps endorsement of UWL Student Senator Olivia Woodmansee. Their next meeting will be March 9th at UW River Falls.
- VI. General Student Body Open Forum
- VII. Officer Reports
 - a. President: Benjamin O’Connell
 - i. O’Connell: absent
 - ii. Report: “Victor Hill and I have reached out to Jim at the city to see if we can partner on an informational video answering questions people may have about their parking program that will begin in 4 to 6 weeks. Hopefully we’ll be able to work on it together and get the information to UWL Students before the program begins and then we’ll have it on our parking website and the Student Association website. Olivia did phenomenal on Saturday and as I’m sure you’ve already found out, she was chosen and endorse as the Reps nominee for the traditional student regent position. I’ve already been conversing with different offices about it, so I’m hoping that the governor considers our nominee, as opposed to how things have worked in the past. We’ll be including it as a priority in our lobbying efforts in the next month, so again, make sure you let Jack know if you’re interested in coming on the lobbying trip at the end of the month. At the meeting, I asked Lt. Governor Barnes if they had been looking at student loan refinancing at all and he said that he and the Governor have looked at a couple models so far, so it will continue to be a priority for us as the semester moves along.”
 - b. Vice President: Haley Jurecki
 - i. Jurecki: I will be finalizing committees this week. Let me know if I need to follow up with you.
 - c. Chief of Staff: Lucas Marinack
 - i. Marinack: Heartthrob will be on February 21st at 7 p.m. in the bluffs, it is sponsored by Alpha Phi. It will be like a talent show and money raised goes to



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women’s heart health. And this is just some housekeeping, but please keep electronics at a minimum, no laptops or phones at the table.

- d. State Affairs Director: Jack Lawlis
 - i. Lawlis: The Elect Her event will be happening from 1 a.m. to 3 p.m. on March 2nd, you can fill out the registration form online if you are interested. Our next lobbying trip will happen late February. We’ll be discussing more on student loan refinancing, let me know if you want to get involved. I’ll also be working to institutionalize voting to engage people here and working on positions to further engage that. I encourage you to get involved in that.
- e. Local Affairs Director: Jake Seifert
 - i. Seifert: Ben’s report touched on parking, the changes will be made 4 to 6 weeks from now, so I just want to remind and encourage you that parking is still free for now. For spring elections there will be a candidate forum, we are looking to co-sponsor this event in March and then Ben and I are looking to meet with the planning department of the city. We’re also looking more at the ‘unrelated rule’ and getting that removed.
- f. Inclusivity Director: Sita Agterberg
 - i. Agterberg: So far \$670 has been raised for the scholarship. Also, WPC will be happening March 20-22nd in Cedar Rapids - it is free, but you will have to put down a \$30 deposit, let me know if you are interested.
- g. Public Relations Director: Tori Dietel
 - i. Dietel: The t-shirts will be maroon, here are some ideas for the back of the shirt. Special Events and Marketing will receive and email soon from me, please meet me after the meeting for a few minutes if you are on this committee. Also, if anyone is not on the Facebook page, please reach out to me. For next week, please bring your laptop/or tech as we will be inviting our friends to like our UWL Student Association Facebook page. If you are interested in participating in a video/voiceover for Senate in 60, please reach out after the meeting. I’m hoping to get that moving.
- h. Sustainability Director: Samantha Wolfe
 - i. Wolfe: Conservation lobbying day will be on March 27th, it’s a Wednesday. I linked it on the Facebook page. It’ll deal with concern with stuff like water quality with well contaminations that have been happening around the state. A bus will be leaving from Tomah for free, it is free to register. They’re looking to maybe send a free bus from UWL as well. And, we will figure out the Green Fund ad hoc. Also, let me know if you are interested in dealing with plastic bags on campus.

VIII. Advisor Reports

- a. Riggenberg: Committees have been up and running, the Student Orgs committee has stuff going on. Something that is still being talked about are stoles or maybe pins for people that have been in leadership positions that they would have for graduation. Student Services and Buildings are currently working on statement expressing support for all marginalized disenfranchised groups to put in the U– we’re bringing that to the SSB committee, but it also wouldn’t be bad for senate to do, just something to make everyone feel comfortable and appreciated.
 - i. Woodmansee: Would the end goal for this to be in all buildings on campus?



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1. Riggenberg: Whitney and this building at this point but we'll see.
 - b. Riggenberg: There are a few important bills at state legislature right now in the works, one about is regarding seg fees and the other is protection of voting rights. For students being charged a prorated amount based on credits – we're still looking into it, it has not been introduced yet. Our campus food pantry was chosen by TIAA, they will contribute money. When February rolled around, it was said can't tell that it's Black History Month in this building. It is the 13th and we still haven't seen anything. If you have any interest in this, we would love to have you. Other months, in this building we would like to do something similar, like for Women's History Month in March.
- IX. Committee Reports
- a. Kettinger: CAPS just passed two student appeals.
 - b. Kallis: I got an email last week from Bob Hetzel on the RFP committee and the new contract for textbook rental/ the bookstore. They're still figuring out a new contract or reinstating the current one, I will keep u posted. I also have some meeting set up to have some conversations about accessibility in the classroom. VPAC will be meeting again on Friday.
 - c. Woodmansee: For SUFAC, we're talking about speaker forums possibilities. We want to see if they can get speakers funded through reserves for the next fiscal year. Let me know if anyone has any questions.
 - d. Lawlis: Leg Affairs - we'll talk more about violence prevention once the budget is decided. JPB met and submitted the final report on the strategic plan that was started 5 years ago so, the final report is all done now. Next week the contract for the 'house of blues' is going to the state building commission next Wednesday. It was just heard on WPR that Tony Evers plans on fully funding our tuition freeze with state dollars so, it'll be interesting to see how that all pans out -meaning that the end result would be an increase of state funding.
- X. Organizational Reports
- XI. Unfinished Business
- XII. New Business
- a. SA1819-032: Resolution Approving Senator Appointments
 - i. Jurecki: Two senate seats opened up, I interviewed people to fill them.
 - ii. Woodmansee: *I move to spend the two-week rule/Coleman*
 1. Passed
 - iii. Silva: *Call to question*
 1. Passed: Yea: 29, Nay: 0, Abstain: 0
 - b. SA1819-033: Resolution to Dissolve the Current Constitution and Approve the Amended Constitution as the New UWLSA Constitution
 - i. Lawlis: We have to dissolve the old constitution and then approve our newly amended constitution. As a body we will discuss this and vote for it. We will then send this to the election commission and the student body will vote for it on April 16th, it will go into effect during the new session.
 - ii. Kallis: If folks have things that want to be reedited before, let me know. *I move to amend the constitution. In article 3, section 6, subsection c, 'term of office', I would like to move the subsection to add: "the president and*



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vice president may not serve more than two terms, consecutive, or otherwise."/Becker

1. Silva: is there a better way to put that so it, “the president and vice president may not serve in *either position* for more than two terms, consecutive, or otherwise.”?
 - a. Passed
- iii. Becker: *I move to end discussion/Silva*
 1. Passed
- c. SA1819-034: Resolution for Endorsement of FY20 AIDAC Budget
 - i. Silva: For this there are increases and decreases that were made, it is hard to understand - it’s not necessary what we decreased, some decreases for example are coming right from the orgs. The second and third to last ones show proposals versus what was approved. All were fully approved, two other entities got additional funding that could benefit from additional funding, we voted and deliberated and broke it down from there. Learning center was a top priority, there was minimum allocation, we looked at how would this impact your program goals and deliberated what to do with that funding.
 1. Kallis: I remember last year when this was sent to me, the Pride Center line did not previously exist?
 - a. Silva: The way we did this is because Pride Center directors - part of his salary comes out of AIDAC from campus climate making it look like campus climate was given more money than they could use. And we weren’t going to discuss salaries, so it didn’t look like they were getting funding that they weren’t.
 - ii. Becker: *I move to end discussion/Thering*
 1. Passed

XIII. Discussion

XIV. Announcements

- a. Cayo: A solidarity rally is being held due to a hate crime that happened in La Crosse this week when a racial slur was graffitied on a local business owner’s place of business. The rally will be on Friday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on 2001 State Rd. if anybody wants to come and show solidarity.

XV. Adjournment

- a. Neilsen/Kettinger
- b. 8:46 p.m.