



# UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN–LA CROSSE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

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## Student Senate Agenda

Date: **October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018**

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

- I. Call to Order
  - a. 6:03 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consent Agenda
  - a. Becker/Silva
  - b. Addition of SA1819-012: Resolution Approving At-Large Senator Appointments
  - c. Passed
  - d. Approval of Agenda
- V. Guest Speakers
  - a. Adam Hatfield – Crime Stoppers
    - i. Hatfield: I am a community representative for La Crosse Area Crime Stoppers. We are a non-profit organization made up of community members, we serve the law enforcement in La Crosse. Our mission is to give the public an outlet to report local crimes. I encourage you all to go to [lacrossecrimestoppers.com](http://lacrossecrimestoppers.com) and download our app. Download the 'P3 Tips' app and share this information with your friends. Maybe your tips will lead to an arrest and make our area safer.
- VI. General Student Body Open Forum
- VII. Officer Reports
  - a. President: Benjamin O'Connell
    - i. O'Connell: Voter registration went on yesterday and today. Tomorrow we have it in Whitney from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. We would appreciate any help that we can get from all of you senators, there is a large number of you and it is a three-hour time span so if you want to come for even 20-30 minutes it would be very appreciated. So far, we have only had a total of 4 senators involved in this, whether it's signing up or showing up. Shout out to Steph for just showing up. Also, shout out to Mitch for helping us behind the desk. Be like them, be involved. Another thing, parking – Jake and I have been talking more with different people in the city. We went to a neighborhood revitalization committee meeting which Jake will discuss more about later. As far as parking goes, the city is still having their same stance, but something to note is that we have been talking to Nora instead of Jenna. They've seen the map and they see that it will drive parking from the areas around campus to the neighborhoods. So, when the city said that it was the neighborhood associations that actually wanted this in the first place, they were slightly correct. The neighborhood associations wanted this type of system, but in their neighborhoods where they could turn it into a parking benefit district where all the money from parking on the streets would go into improving the neighborhoods and things like streetlights. I recommend calling Tim Kabat, the mayor, also as many council people as possible to let them know what you think on this, especially if you happen to live in the zone. Try to be involved in that, the more calls they get, the more they will realize that this is a bad idea. Another thing, so there is currently somebody on campus named Jim Jorstad he's head of



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media stuff here at the university and he's filming a documentary about voting right now and he's looking for young people and students like all of you to get involved in it. It's completely nonpartisan, so you would be just focusing on voting and why it's important. If any of you are interested just let me know after the meeting and I can give you his contact information, I hope some of you will get involved with this. It is fantastic, and I just did it – he makes you feel real good, your hair's all perfect – it's wonderful. Another thing, so this weekend is the monthly student reps meeting, student governments from the UW system that all get together, and they talk about stuff. The meeting is not happening at UW Parkside as was originally planned, they have now moved it into a conference call. If a couple of you would like to get some experience talking with other student governments and other people within the UW system in your same positions, let me know and I can involve you in the call. It will just be in the executive office, we can have a good time, maybe I'll bring some chips. And then, a couple more things Jack will touch on this a little more later, but the violence prevention resources bill that I have been working on with Representative Katrina Shankland's office, is finally moving forward. We have the draft now and after looking at the draft we are concerned that it could potentially hurt the resources that we have here on our campus, but don't worry Representative Shankland is very receptive to our concerns and has told me that she will actually change the bill if it in any way would impact the good system that we have here with our violence prevention resources. We've made more progress on that in the last month than we did all of last year so be excited people. Then just a last thing, Haley and I met with our UWL police chief today, he talked about Rave, the new system that we're going to have to alert students and the entire campus in case of an emergency. They're good to go with texting and email within the system but they're just trying to work out the kinks with the rest of it, so hopefully we'll see it rolled out at some point in the semester.

b. Vice President: Haley Jurecki

- i. Jurecki: I would just like to welcome the new senators in the room, we had our elections yesterday and will talk a little more about it later and we'll let the senators introduce themselves and tell us a little about them, but I'm just really happy to have them here. Logistically, we'll get it all sorted out, we're going to make them feel part of our group. Moving from that, there is – so you'll notice our placards – if there's any name errors or spelling, please let me know because we'll have to put a second order in for the new senators. This year you'll notice that we have PGPs on there so that's really exciting, the only downside to that is it makes your name smaller so it's more difficult for me. So, if you can't see me, odds are I can't see you. Thanks to all who have been doing their office hours, I've been seeing people in there and the door has been open, and the light's been on so that's been really exciting, things are a lot more inviting. The last thing on my list is to talk about a potential event happening on Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m. If there are senators that are available/interested. Dr. Larry can explain a little more about it, but basically, it's another reunion but from senators who are a lot older than the last time from something like 66-72 so a long time ago. They want to come back and do a panel, but they want to do more of a Q and A, they



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want us to do the Q and A, they want more so to ask us questions. So, I just wanted to gauge interest to see who would be interested in that if we can make it work. Just a reminder to use your microphones and we are livestreamed on Facebook.

- c. Chief of Staff: Alfonso Gunaratnam
  - i. Gunaratnam: Absent
- d. State Affairs Director: Jack Lawlis
  - i. Lawlis: I have three things here, I'll go through them quick. President O'Connell touched on this a bit, we did call Representative Shankland's office yesterday and had a good talk with her. Ben highlighted a lot of it, the main thing here is the intent of the bill as it is doesn't seem like it intends to harm the position that we have which is we have a really great non-mandated sexual violence prevention officer who's really good at helping survivors. An unintended side effect of the legislation might be that that position is threatened in a way, so she's going to take it to Representative Shankland and she'll take it to her legislative council and they're going to pretty much tighten it down and make sure that doesn't happen. Hopefully we can see that to its fullest and really work with her on her way there. On October 8<sup>th</sup>, we have the La Crosse Area Public Health Legislative Gathering, it's actually going to be here in Grandad (room 2130 the U) and it's really awesome because it's pretty much every legislator and potential legislator in the area convening and talking. That'll be from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and people there will be people such as Senator Baldwin, Steve Toft who's running against Ron Kind, Ron Kind might be there, and our very familiar reps like Senator Shilling and Representative Billings as well as Steve Doyle will also be there. Any of you can come to that, I don't know how publicized that was but it's a pretty big event given the people who are going so I think it would be really beneficial for us all to go if we can make it. We have the voting efforts coming through and we are also going to set up some education events in the next couple of weeks here as the time in which you can register winds down. I've been talking to the city clerk and they're a bit concerned that the lines are going to be really long so what we have to do as reps of the students is to try to facilitate the voting process so that the lines aren't going to be long on the voting day on November 6<sup>th</sup>. The way we can do that is to make sure that people know how to preregister, they can do it online or in person at the city clerk's office or here when we have an event. Get involved if you can.
- e. Local Affairs Director: Jake Seifert
  - i. Seifert: President O'Connell touched on it a bit with the parking. It sounds like they are still trying to push that through. There was talk about converting it into a parking benefit district, we would still be paying but at least the money would be going back to our streets, it's not what they are doing right now. Right now, they are just charging and it's not looking great. Give them a call, that would be much appreciated. The housing fair is next Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., right now our total is at 11, we have some big companies and we have some small companies that will be there.
- f. Inclusivity Director: Sita Agterberg
  - i. Agterberg: I just got an email from Miranda saying that we have approval on



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senators on the alumni list that I made so now I just need the contact information for them and then we can start asking them to donate. We also applied for La Crosse SOUP, I don't know if you know what that is, but it's like a way to get fundraising out into the community so it will be like a 4-minute pitch to people who come to this event which is on November 7<sup>th</sup>. If we get the most votes, we get all of the money that they raise that night which is usually around \$1,500 or so, it would be a good amount toward the scholarship. Tomorrow at the city hall meeting, there is an all abilities park being built in La Crosse right now and they might award it \$1,000,000 so if yall are able to go or anything and support that, that would be great.

- g. Public Relations Director: Lucas Marinack
  - i. Marinack: Please, if you haven't already send me your bios and headshots. There will also be a chili and chill event coming up. It will be a chili cook-off on October 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at Haley's house. We will post more info about it in our Facebook group.
- h. Sustainability Director: Samantha Wolfe
  - i. Wolfe: The Oktoberfest cleanup went really well, we had about 35 people that came and helped clean up around campus. We got about 50 bags of recyclables, aluminum cans and garbage so that was awesome. I also met with the food and housing security task force last week and there are a lot of great people doing great things on campus to make sure students have food and homes. The COVE is doing a lot and they have a food pantry, so I was thinking next meeting if you are willing and able to bring something to donate to their food pantry, it would be great if Student Association were able to do that. Also, there will be a UW sustainability conference occurring November 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> in Steven's Point. If you are interested let me know, talk to me tonight or email me. Also, anyone interested in banning plastic bags on campus or finding alternatives please let me know, I'd like to start that early next week.

## VIII. Advisor Reports

- a. Ringgenberg: We talked to Chartwells last week about replacing plastic bags with paper, so we are still working on that. Student Services committee is supposed to meet this coming Monday at 8 a.m., so we're trying to make sure that all the committees get up and running. If you have any committees that haven't met yet and you want to ask me to follow up with what's going on I'll do that for you. There was a theft in the building last night. This was a first, so I urge people to watch their stuff. Things were stolen from a locked room, I believe it included a phone and a laptop, we are working with campus police.
  - i. Kallis: I've been talking about when you swipe your card and you get dead-named and it picks up your legal name. It's been brought to my attention in Chars, they are not asking their name anymore, they are swiping your card. I would love it if they stopped doing that.

## IX. Committee Reports

- a. SUFAC – Woodmansee: SUFAC met this week, we had a pretty big meeting just in terms of capital fund requests that have come out, these are for groups under SUFAC and they can request funds for one-time use. We approved about \$2,000 worth of funds so far. Additionally, cash balance requests were brought in and we approved all cash balance



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requests that came through. That was for grad-study, organizational grants, and the LGBT group. That is all that happened there, if you have any questions or you want to see any of the cash balance requests, feel free to let me know. They are open meetings in 5:30 in this room on Mondays.

## X. Organizational Reports

- a. Khan: Diversity and inclusion forum was on Friday. If you want, results of campus climate survey are available. It shows every couple years what factors are statistically significant. Some new changes, people with disabilities are discriminated the most across the board. It breaks it down by like sexual violence and other stuff. Updates on diversity and inclusion and strategic planning and what their goals are for everything. The Access Center, Campus Climate, Multicultural Student Services, the Pride Center, SSS, Upward Bound, and everyone just gave a whole bunch of updates on things that are happening this year. If you want more details let me know.
- b. Kettinger: On October 11<sup>th</sup>, a speaker, Tim Mousseau, is coming to talk about his experiences, I'll pass around a sheet, so you can sign up if you are interested. The other thing that he's doing is he's putting together a program called "Unmasking", they'll be talking about femininity and masculinity in the media. The cool thing about these programs is that they'll be broken up into separate rooms. We also want a headcount for those as well. He's flexible on changing those if you want to go to them.

## XI. Unfinished Business

## XII. New Business

- a. SA1819-010: Resolution Approving Fall Election Results
  - i. Coleman/Moralez
    1. Horstman: Chris wanted to point out the large increase in the amount of votes in referendums was about tripled. It went from about 180 to 650
    2. Jurecki: Both referenda were passed
    3. Chris Paul: There were actually 660 votes on referenda, last year was less than 200, so we have lots of people fighting for stuff.
    4. Woodmansee: *I move to suspend 2-week rule/* Kallis
    5. Kallis: Call to question
    6. Passed
  - b. SA1819-011: Resolution to Change Privacy Standards for Students in WINGS
    - i. McLain/Kallis
    - ii. Kallis: It was brought to my attention a little bit earlier in the week that folks who have access to our WINGS account have access to a lot of information about us. I've learned a little bit more since I initially began writing this resolution. Our account not only has our social security numbers, but also our addresses, multiple phone numbers, and a lot of other information on us that you fill out when you apply to a college. So, I did a little bit more research and I talked to a couple advisors. I found that there is a restriction on who can see my social security number, but it's still present within the information they can access in our account.
    - iii. Kallis: *Move to amend the document by removing therefore be it resolved/* Coleman
      1. Passed
    - iv. Silva: I'm just kind of confused about the social security situation, what is the



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other issue?

1. Kallis: Academic staff access? Faculty members and what they have access to, if we can hide contact info, addresses and numbers.
- v. Becker: do you just want to remove the ability for professors to view this or?
  1. Kallis: This would be sent to those folks so they are aware, we may add other offices to list of who we think should have access to it.
- vi. Boebel: How, when you say faculty who do you mean by that, what is the scope?
  1. Kallis: trying to make it broad, I don't know scope of availability right now.
- vii. Thereing: Wings is the only way you can register, so we do still need accessibility to addresses and stuff. Would you still be able to log in on a foreign computer?
  1. Kallis: Good point. For a lot of people here, voting verification is on Wings. We just want blocks on who is seeing what, but all of that info would still be there.
- viii. Moralez: I understand Kallis's route, I would want to know transparency on who has access, is there a way to ask if someone can communicate who has access to what?
- ix. Norrington: This is important because how much access does student staff have as well? It doesn't take much for someone to steal your identity. Another thing to find info on too would be students in financial aid, for example. It makes me really uncomfortable to know that they might have access to my information like that.
- x. Boebel: Going off of voter verification forms, we would still have access to our own information. But, this is a good step in the right direction to ask questions about all of this.
- xi. Kallis: We don't know who gets what, we just have control over privacy from parents and guardians. It's a valid ask, but we don't know who to ask. Asking Registrar is great, but we don't know if they know anything.
  1. Ringgenberg: I have access to bills. You could start with the registrar office, they probably know who has access to what.
- c. SA1819-012: Resolution Approving At-Large Senator Appointments
  - i. Kallis: *I move to suspend the 2-week rule / McLain*
    1. Passed
  - ii. Silva: So, how many people applied?
    1. Jurecki: 5
    2. Silva: And were none in the College of Science and Health?
    3. Jurecki: There might have been one.
    4. Silva: I'm kind of hesitant of having 2 senators representing the College of Science and Health that aren't part of it.
    5. Jurecki: Yeah, so I was reading through the constitution on this too because it did confuse me. So, they are not representing the College of Science and Health, they are representing at-large. Their job is to represent all of the campus in its entirety if that's possible, so that are not technically coming from a CLS perspective.
  - iii. Becker: Call to question/Dietel



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## 1. Passed

### XIII. Discussion

- a. Wellness Center – Sen. Khan
  - i. Khan: There was an idea of having a wellness center, a place to have safe spaces, like how hall of nations used as a safe space after the 2016 election. We would like to create a more permanent space on campus to do stuff like that.
- b. Campus Minimum Wage – Sen. Boebel
  - i. Boebel: Wenzel and I talked about raising campus minimum wage. It would be a long process but would be worth it. O’Connell will be speaking with Bob Hetzel, there will be more info after that meeting, Schimmel brought it up before. Maybe we could start an ad hoc committee to continue looking into this?
- c. Accessibility in the Classroom – Sen. Kallis
  - i. Kallis: A resolution passed last year requiring closed captioning in the class room and faculty is NOT doing that. Another thing brought to my attention is awareness around our colorblind students on campus and how faculty may be using presentations that colorblind students are not able to read. We can look at the language of the old resolution so that we can draw something up in regards to this. There is more brainstorming to do, let me know if anyone wants to meet on this.

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### XIV. Announcements

- a. Nielson: More on the public advocacy certificate. General preference versus a minor would be the difference between 12 and 18 credits. It would be nice to change it up and add some more. Talk to friends and constituents and let me know what you think.
- b. Woodmansee: October 17<sup>th</sup> 6 p.m. in the bluffs, a comedian will be performing.
- c. Kallis: Monday is Indigenous Peoples’ Day
- d. Marinack: We will be taking a picture at the end of this meeting so stick around.
- e. Khan: October 17<sup>th</sup> will be a Take Back the Night March starting at the clocktower at 7 p.m. that will go through all 3 campuses.
- f. Norrington: Computer Science Club LAN party will be February 9<sup>th</sup>, the weekend of the week we come back from break. More info to come.
- g. Jurecki: The chancellor and shilling coming to next week’s meeting, so please dress nice.

### XV. Adjournment

- a. 7:37 p.m.
- b. Kettinger/Woodmansee