Student Senate Minutes  
Date: March 12th, 2008  
Time and Location: 6pm in Cartwright 339

I. Call to Order  
   a. 6:03pm

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III. Approval of Minutes  
   a. Ruplinger/Kohl-Riggs  
   b. Minutes approved  
      i. One abstention

IV. Approval of Agenda  
   a. Fuhrmann/Hammen  
   b. Motion to add Student Court Justices to discussion  
      i. Wallace/Fuhrmann  
   c. Motion to add Men’s and Women’s Volleyball to Guest Speaker  
   d. Motion to add to discussion the latest constitution  
      i. Holzem/Decker  
      ii. Leg Affairs passed it through and it needs to be discussed  
      iii. Objection  
      iv. Discussion  
         1. Talking to some people on senate and other advisors. We are going on spring break and we can’t rush it. We can’t have two big ticket items and push them through like that. This is a matter that needs to really be considered. This is something that needs to wait.  
         2. Although I was on Leg Affairs I thought about something over night and when we went to DOC we told them it wasn’t going to be in discussion this week. They have a right to be here and listen.  
         3. This is one of the most important documents that governs our body. We should all have a copy in front of us. I like to talk to my constituents before. It’s going to make our meeting really long.  
         4. What kind of time frame would it put us on?  
            a. After we get from spring break we would approve it. If it’s not in discussion tonight it won’t go into referendum before elections.  
   5. Call to question  
      a. Roll call

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e. Approval of agenda
   i. Passes, one abstention

V. Guest Speakers

Senate 2007-2008
a. Women’s and Men’s Volleyball
   i. President of Women’s Club Volleyball Team. Heard that there was some conflict about our one shot so I wanted to come in and introduce myself and give you some info directly form us. The purpose of the club is not the same as an intercollegiate team. It’s sole purpose is to play at a competitive level. We had 80 girls sign up at the beginning of the semester. We do coach ourselves. The request for nationals, this year it is being held in Dallas, Texas. For the entire team to go the cost is $4,200, or $387 per person. We do get to apply to the post season budget. We did get approved so we did get $450. When it came to one shots we were under the impression that travel could never be done. Then it came to our attention that the men’s team did apply for travel, and we heard that one shots for travel could be done. We heard from multiple people that one shots were ok for travel. Before we did that we did purchase our tickets on line. We have heard that we should stay in the mid west and travel by car, and we do. The thing is we see the same team at every competition. It’s the same exact people every single weekend. So nationals is like the ultimate thing to go to for our club. The qualifying is attending two tournaments to go. I understand that doesn’t seem like much, but club volleyball is for people who are passionate about volleyball and who want to play at a competitive level. Our team really wants to do this, overall we do respect senate and we wanted to give you the information straight from us.
   
   ii. Men’s Volleyball. A couple of differences between us and the girls is we belong to an actual conference, we play most of the UW schools. We also have a post season tournament to determine who wins the conference. Last year going to nationals was a huge event. Our club has been growing really fast. We see this as a stepping stone. Last year the commissioner asked us to hold the conference. The things I wanted to hit home are the girls came up with the cost sheet. We were never told that asking for the travel money was out of the question. Airplane tickets and expenses were never communicated to us. I have had a couple of guys drop out because they can’t afford to go. It feels like part of our team is missing when they aren’t there. Having the whole team there would be amazing.
   
   iii. I have been here for 3 years now and the volleyball club has been successful. Form getting kicked out of the conference and then being asked to hold the conference is a big thing. The only harder thing to ask your school for money is to ask you parents for money. The club dues don’t cover anything. This is the highest competition to go to. It’s the accumulation of the season. Our club works really hard while we are going to school too. I don’t know what the sum of money was because I don’t want to know, but I understand that we need some help. Other people see us and they want to come here. If we don’t have the funding to do this then we can’t do it.

   iv. Discussion

Senate 2007-2008
1. How much are the fees?
   a. $175 for men’s and $50 for women’s
2. Why were you kicked out of the conference, because you were doing so well?
   a. That was eight years ago.
3. what fundraising have you done?
   a. We have worked out in the concession hall. A dad is buying jerseys.
   b. We had a major t shirt fundraiser and raised $400, most of it has gone to tournaments throughout the season.
   c. With holding the conference here this year we plan to fundraise as much as possible.
   d. And that is split between the women’s and the men’s.
4. This is not meant to be condescending, but do you feel that by not funding this, your opportunity to compete has been taken away and that you have been robbed?
   a. Yes. We have weeded out in the past years who haven’t been team players. I think we are putting a big team out there for the school and not getting the recognition.
   b. I feel like playing the same teams is keeping us at a certain level. We want to be a better team and play against better teams.
   c. Last year was the first year we went to nationals. We have seen a lot of changes in our program, opportunity wise. We have been invited to numerous tournaments. We have also had a couple of players who are on the team now who didn’t know about us before the conference.
5. did you go to nationals last year?
   a. No, we were just formed last year.
6. well I think it was very irresponsible for you (the men’s team) to have not anticipated the costs.
   a. Our president isn’t always the most responsible. I don’t think he was aware we had to go to Dallas this year. If I could drive to Dallas, I would so do that instead, if it was cheaper.
7. Have you tried working with other business?
   a. We were told not to do that.
   b. The school has sponsored business, and if that business says no then we cant go to another business because that would go outside the school’s contract.
   c. We were under the impression that we couldn’t do sponsorship because UWL would be our sponsor since we represent them.
   d. Technically you have to go through the Cleary Center to get sponsorship.
8. If you don’t get the money through senate, would you still be going?
   a. Yes, but we would be 4 or 5 members short.
   b. That doesn’t help us for next year.
   c. Women’s team will still be going.
9. Motion to close the speakers list and close discussion
   a. Ruplinger/Hammen
      i. Discussion closed.
   b. Paula Knudson, Assistant Chancellor and Dean of Students; Bob Hetzel, Vice Chancellor of Administration and Finance; Sharon Radtke, Controller; Overview of Student Segregated Fee
      i. Some of you are new to this process so I want to introduce you to your budgeting process. One portion is the Apportionment Committee. Another is non-allocable programs. Those also went to the Apportionment Committee for the first time this year. The user fee is the third part and those are the ones that are optional, like parking. They have developed these budgets for the coming year and we have worked with the business office to iron it out and we have come for you for a point of information.
      ii. We have a spreadsheet and what I want to tell you what the percentage of your student fees are going. The budget is about $9.7 million that the students are paying to UWL for services. The good work that apportionment did, they were able to keep the increase from this year to next year at about 2.13%. There are some areas that are in deficit. The childcare program has been cut back and they have incurred more expenses. In the next couple of months we are going to figure out how to fix that. The health center also has deficit of $50,000. In general, we are feeling pretty good about it. We are going to work on keeping it below 3%. I think we can manage that but I am not sure. If you go to parking, you might ask why it’s going up, we are increasing the permits by $25. we are planning on building a parking ramp in 2010. if not at the very least we will be building a brand new parking lot. That is why it is going up 15%. Food service- Chartwells does a great job and going up 4%. Res Life is going up 6.83% I want to give you an opportunity to ask questions
      iii. Discussion
         1. How might the $1.3 million deficit affect students?
            a. It is a lapse, not a permanent cut. We know the stat has asked other agencies to contribute to the program revenue. There is a budget repair bill coming.
            b. Budget lapses are a university problem, but the good news is there are reserves that have been established. You are not going to see a reduction of services. We would look at the reserves first.
         2. Is non allocable easier to get away with?
a. It covers the cost of certain things the university has to pay for. Like officials on the field, transportation, etc. the cost of transportation are up. I wasn’t involved in the athletics budget but I have confidence in them.

b. We saw a fairly big hit in the conference fee.

3. In talking with Paula and Larry, we have on the table the green fee and we found that if we passed the resolution tonight and approved it that we would be too late to charge students for the next year. Is there any way to earmark it? If we do vote to have it will be out April 15th.
   a. The budget is due in Madison April 1st.
   b. The board won’t approve the rates until July it’s just the system that wants it by April 1st.
   c. If you have a successful vote would you advise us to have the placeholder?
      i. I could tell you tomorrow.
   d. I think we would work with this group to figure out the mechanics of what you desire.

4. To what extent are the fees inferred as a lack of incentive to trim the fat off the bacon? I’ve seen how the budgets were padded to make some people feel good.
   a. We are real consciences that we have some expenses that are going to increase student costs. Almost all of our budgets came in with a 2% increase. It’s not a lot of adding fluff. If we would do that we would probably loose some services. So right now we are trying to just keep the services that we have.
   b. I know the cost of water has gone up 5% alone. The Cartwright center has only gone up 2.5% and to do that with all the inflation, that is remarkable. If there was fluff in there, I think there was enough checks.
   c. We meet with the directors at least twice before the budget review. We are very careful. We also have guidance from the system advisors. It’s kind of a complex process but it has a lot of oversight.
   d. I think we try to be very mindful of the cost of attendance.

5. I’ll send the document out to everyone.

c. Green Fund
   i. We are here in support of the resolution. I urge you to remember that in tonight’s discussion.

VI. Officer Reports
   a. Fred
      i. In regard to the financial aid bills, this Tuesday we had a version of the bill passed through the assembly. They have the option to let it go to
senate or stall it. If both are stalled then there is another opportunity in May for it to be voted on. There are still a lot of variables out there. We need to remain hopeful.

ii. Public Intoxication Ordinance- we had a good showing at the open forum. I was at the council meeting last night and they voted to recommend that and put another one year sunset clause on there and we put another amendment on there and made sure the police department will continue to report to the tri campus community every year. It will be voted on tomorrow night and it looks like there is going to be another sunset clause on it.
   1. For the financial aid bill, will it affect it this summer?
      a. I think it goes into affect in the fall.

b. Bjorn
   i. Remind everyone that senate is a no campaign zone and so is the senate office. Also please let everyone know about election, we would like to have a very big pool.

c. Others
   i. Perket
      1. we held 3 election information sessions. I would like to thank Syfatri and Csargo for helping out with that I think they were very beneficial.

   ii. Social Justice
      1. Next coffee hour is the Wednesday after spring break at 3pm.
      2. I am looking to do a program with the halls.
      3. DOC orgs met with Leg Affairs on Monday and we talked about the changes to the constitution, I would like to thank the advisors for helping out with that.

   iii. Kyle
      1. Report for approval for academic program on plate for tomorrow.

   iv. UC
      1. I want to start a group after spring break to see if we want to have a campaign for the referendum

VII. RHAC Report
   a. Last week we passed a number of constitutional amendments. Vice president of university affairs will remain in the more traditional roles. If anyone would like a more complete listing of these duties let me know.

VIII. Advisor Reports
   a. Be safe over spring break. Just to let you know how late the longest senate meeting went it was 4am.

IX. Committee Reports
   a. Apportionment
      i. Apportionment met and talked to the Korean Percussion Ensemble about making them a possible org.
ii. Also an update on the Seg. fees, the number we were using for students was pretty conservative. What that means is there are actually more students to share the cost, it will now be down to $101.53.

b. Joint Budget and Planning
   i. We are doing a survey. They had nine ideas on how to spend the money, in the process of deciding what they will do.

c. Leg Affairs
   i. Going to continue to work on the constitution, welcome to come our meetings.

d. UCC
   i. Made some changes to some descriptions to theatre classes.

e. Gen Ed
   i. Will be bringing something to you in the next couple of weeks.

f. Athletics
   i. Revised our bylaws.

g. Joint Minorities
   i. For the last few years the college of business has a low minority mentorship program. Talked about expanding the program to other colleges. Soliciting input as to whether or not there is support to do that.

h. Scholarship and Awards
   i. Interviewed two applicants from Westby. Found some great students coming to La Crosse next year.

i. Tech Fees
   i. Hot topic is the free paper. Will be talking about it in senate. If we do put in some sort of system are the back costs going to outweigh the benefits?

X. New Business
   a. Approval of Board of Directors Members
      i. PR: Amanda Perez
      ii. City Affairs: Casey Giltner
      iii. Call to question
         1. Hammen
         2. Objection
      iv. Can you please have who wasn’t here last meeting please have them talk
      v. Amanda had an internship that just ended tonight so she is not here. She might be coming in after 8pm.
      vi. Call to question
         1. Passed, 3 abstentions
   b. Spring 2008 One-Shots
      i. Kohl-Riggs/Ruplinger
      ii. Discussion
         1. I would ask that you all honor Apportionments decision, we spent a lot of time going over these. We try and be as fair as we can. Honestly in talking with volleyball clubs, we aren’t
responsible for the downfalls of the president. That is a problem in leadership and that is not the responsibility of the students. This isn’t an issue of wanting or not wanting to give them the money, it’s a question of equity. We have to keep the whole university in mind, if we approve stuff like this we will run out of money. The university is giving them the chance to compete, but we can’t give them the entire world on a platter. I think the university has met their obligations and we shouldn’t increase there funding.

2. We initially approved the martial arts club for a locker but it got broken into again so they removed their request.
   a. There is nothing in the senate approved line right now so we are assuming that we are approving what apportionment approved. Is there any objection to this?
      i. Can we make a motion to strike that line?
   b. Motion to remove the amount for martial arts and put as zero.
      i. Fuhrmann/Hammen
      ii. Call to questions
         1. Passes

3. I am on the buildings and services committee and I know the coordinator of club sports that they were not allowed to ask for travel. The guys realized that they could, so that was a red flag for the girls club. We let them put in this one shot since it wasn’t their fault and they didn’t know. That way they had one night to come up with their one shot and get into the meeting on time. Also the volleyball teams can’t help that they only have to win tournaments to go. They can’t change that. We shouldn’t punish them for that. Their budget, the year before they have no idea how they will do post season. They hardly made it through the regular season and any fundraising they do goes towards the regular season. I don’t think we should set a precedent that anyone who asks for travel money should get it, but I think this is a special situation and they were pushed and pulled around. I would hope that we could at least pay for half of it and not expect them to pay for it completely out of pocket.

4. I don’t support giving the volleyball club student money. I understand your point but I think it is very irresponsible to let this happen and then other teams might do the same. I think it is irresponsible to do it for a club that is voluntary. I am sure there are other people here who have had to pay for travel for other events. It was voluntary.

5. Apportionment did a great job and I respect it. But I don’t think that the teams were irresponsible. In the past has any competitions been funded by one shots?
a. There was a time that we funded the ski team to go to Colorado. Most reason one was the bowling team going to Las Vegas. We didn’t fund that.

6. It would be nice to give them anything but it is hard to go above the precedent that Apportionment already set.

7. The girl’s number is the total, but not what they are asking for. The men’s is the total of the flights.

8. I wish that we could just pay for the registration fee instead. I don’t know if that’s possible anymore.

9. You were told not to ask for hotel or gas money or food?
   a. Yes

10. Flights are above that. I guess that would say no to asking for flight money as well.

11. Setting that precedent, if we let this go this time then the next group will ask for more and more. It will go a little but every time if we let this go.

12. How much does apportionment give out to one shots?
   a. We set aside $15,000 in the fall and $10,000 in the spring.

13. just because we set precedent doesn’t mean it’s a guarantee. They came in with the idea to give out a certain amount of money, and that’s what they should do. It’s not guaranteeing future clubs they will get the money. I motion to give the women’s and men’s clubs $950.
   a. Rome/Eck
      i. Point of info- can you give money for something that wasn’t requested?
         1. yes.
      ii. I think this is a great idea.
      iii. Discussion on amending the amount given to volleyball.
         1. yes we could change what the one shot is for but then that goes back to the issue of apportionment. If we are going to make one entity write a resolution to reallocate then it would be wrong not to make another one do the same.
         2. I don’t have a problem with this. It is a completely different group each year.
         3. How are we going to deny future groups this in the future? On what basis will we be able to justly and fairly say we can’t do this?
         4. It is a choice that we make when we look at it and decide. They were told to ask for the wrong thing. It has happened
before were we change it because we have the right to change it. Some things take first precedent, but now we have left over money and we should be giving it to students.

5. When is the tournament?
   a. April 10th-12th

6. This is student’s money and these are students going to represent UWL. I have no problem supporting the registration fee. We shouldn’t deny any club the right to apply for student’s money. Look how many one shots there are, less than 10? This is student’s money and we should support them. Call to question
   a. Objection

7. The amendment is to give them the money for registration fee so I will add a note saying that is what it is for.

8. Quorum #1

9. Point of info- can I make sure we have further clarification on the note at some point before you sign it?
   a. Yes.

10. It was mentioned that this was student’s money. It is student’s money and they trust us to allocate this appropriately. We are being trusted to allocate money in a fair manner. I feel this is really shady.

11. Just because we have the extra money doesn’t mean we have to spend it.

12. I am torn on this issue because we want them to have the money but sometimes we can’t do it. I don’t know if it would break student’s trust in us. Maybe the registration fee would be something good to do, I just don’t know if we can do that. I am worried about it.

13. I agree that the clubs should get the money, but the fact of the matter is that this is precedent setting. I have my calendar and there would be plenty of time to reintroduce this and do it the right way.
   a. Would we have to hold this document up then?
i. It wouldn’t be approved as a one shot but we can always right up resolutions and allocate special moneys.

14. This is student’s money and we should do it properly.

15. if we want to talk about bad precedents let talk about letting people write resolutions and ask for money whenever they want. We want people to come in and ask for money. We still have money left over, we don’t have to give out all that money but we should want to. I think writing the resolution is the worst precedent.

16. I don’t think this is a bad precedent to set. I don’t understand why encourage any team to not come ask for money? I don’t understand why we can’t set that precedent.

17. I am sick of the word precedent. The reason there is a rule that we can’t allocate money for travel is because it was supposed to be a case by case basis. We are in the now and we have the money for it. Why are we worried about setting a precedent, but we should be doing what is right for right now.

18. Move to table discussion
   a. We are discussing the amendment so you can do that afterwards.

19. Move to question
   a. Kahl/Wallace
   b. Passes

20. Role Call

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Senate 2007-2008
a. Passes, 21:4:2
b. Now changed to $950 for men’s and women’s volleyball.

iii. Back to discussion on the document as a whole
   1. Call to question…no objection
      a. Roll Call

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i. Passes, 22:2:4

c. Resolution Creating an ‘Environmental Sustainability Reserve’
   i. Hammen/Ruplinger
      ii. Motion to limit discussion to 2 minutes per person
         1. Wallace/Vice
         2. Discussion
            a. I think it might be more appropriate to put an overall
time limit on it, like an hour.
b. I don’t think people are going to rant but there will be a lot of heartfelt discussion.
c. We shouldn’t say we only have an hour to talk about it, we are here to make decisions. It is the power of the chair to stop someone
d. The reason I limit discussion is because we tend to be repetitive.
   i. Fails, 2 abstentions

iii. Discussion
1. I don’t think it should be an advisory referendum, it’s not our responsibility. The issue with the residence halls, that is an opt out area where students who don’t live in there don’t pay for it. I think this should reflect. I don’t think it should be the responsibility of the other students to pay for. I move to amend to add a bullet point under what the money cannot be spent on that says “any improvements or additions to residence halls” and also to delete anywhere that says “advisory referendum” and change it to “referendum”.
   a. Allen/Decker
   b. I think that misses the entire point of the resolution. This is the way the system works and the point on campus is to reduce our dependence on non-renewable energy. this cuts tons of opportunities that we would have. Everyone on the committee just really wants to see the campus move forward. I think many students on campus are behind this. I think it contributes to the renewable energy on campus.
   c. I echo that and with that I want you to think, most of you have lived or live in the dorms. Personally I am totally for giving $5 a semester, for the future.
   d. Is it possible to do a regular referendum at this point as opposed to an advisory?
      i. I talked to Larry about this point and we can change it to a referendum. It doesn’t have to be advisory.
   e. I would like to make and amendment to strike “any improvements or additions to residence halls” under what the money cannot be spent on.
      i. Groshek/Wallace
      ii. If this did get voted down then we could not make it an advisory. I would hope that this body would vote the way students want.
      iii. I agree with the second amendment because if students are voting yes for this it’s because they want to see a change on campus.
iv. We need to do the same thing we did for the stadium. I motion to strike all of the “therefore be it resolved” to “therefore be it further resolved”.

1. Is that amendment out of order since it is going against the original amendment?
   a. Yes at this time it would, you could do it when we go to the document as a whole.

v. I agree with still including the Res. halls. The original resolution was to make the campus a greener place, and the biggest impact would be in the Res. halls.

vi. The reason why we cannot make it an opt out fee is because it is a segregated fee, not a user fee.

vii. Call to question…no objection…

1. Passes.

2. Discussion on amendment of striking through advisory
   a. Call to question
      i. Objection
   b. I think that given the overall document I don’t understand why we are trying to pack in all of this infrastructure. We might as well make a binding referendum.
   c. There are a few more advisory’s in there, I assume that you will strike them.
   d. Call to question… no objection…
      i. Passes

iv. Discussion on the amendment

1. Propose and amendment to add “therefore be it further resolved, that upon the passage of this resolution following the referendum that a $5 per semester “environmental sustainability” segregated fee be applied to student bills at the earliest date”
   a. Hammen/Eck

2. I find it interesting how fast this resolution is going through this body.

3. This might be out of line but what is so interested about it?

4. I think it is probably interesting because students are very passionate about it. I think this is something the student body might be expecting.

5. This is something that we need to do now. There are constituents coming to us and telling us to vote for it.

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6. I don’t see what is wrong with this amendment. The overwhelming opinion in the resident halls is why we haven’t done this sooner.

7. Call to question
   a. Roll Call

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v. Discussion on the document as a whole
   1. Amendment to cut number 1, 3, 4, 5 and all the rest of them.
      Everything below what we just included.
      a. Rome/Decker
      b. I think we need to spend more time on this. There isn’t a committee this went through before it came to senate.
      c. It bothers me that we are trying to establish this whole infrastructure, we need to put the question to the students and see how they feel and then continue.
      d. I disagree, I think there has been a lot of work done. The system outlines what we would like the money to spent for, what we wouldn’t like, and who should spend this money until there is a system in place. We always have the right to review this. I don’t understand why we shouldn’t be forward thinking about this.
      e. I understand the concern, which is why I don’t know if this amendment can amend this right now, but I move to undo everything that just happened.
         i. Can’t be done right now.
         ii. I would to propose and amendment to make a committee.
      f. The group wanted to be prepared and show we were responsible. There is another amendment that was written earlier that takes away the apportionment committee. A lot of these things are very important and it makes our group much more responsible. Also in the allocating group being able to change these procedures.
      g. I would also put along with it RHAC reps.
      h. I support this amendment because that is the part that I have a problem with. We are just asking for a referendum. It’s not that I am not green, I just don’t agree with the process that this is going through. Make sure it’s in the minutes that I am green, I just don’t agree with the process. If you are going to outline students then they should be made aware of that when they vote.
      i. I don’t think it is necessary. Are all resolutions supposed to go through committees? I like the concept, but I don’t think we should have it right now. I don’t think now is the time or place. We don’t know who the summer execs are going to be.
j. I think the amendments I have could deal with that. I am just saying turn this down I have the amendments to make it better.
k. Some of the first questions from students is who is going to be spending this money. Maybe we could work on that.
l. On previous referendum questions that I looked at it had a link after the question to see the amendment.
m. Why summer execs? They are here for 3 months out of the year.
   i. Point of order- you can’t speak on behalf of what the other amendments would do that haven’t been brought to the floor yet.
n. I think this resolution should be broken into 2 resolutions. I think we should strike these therefore be it resolved and it should be shown to the students.
o. I think we should vote this down because I would like to see the other amendments.
p. Call to question
   i. Objection
q. If we are cutting everything in here, it would take a lot longer for this to apply.
r. Call to question
   i. Objection
s. We don’t know what the students want to do with the $5? If we have problems with that then that is a great reason to vote it down. Write a resolution after that and discuss all the ideas. We shouldn’t shove things in people’s faces.
t. We are here to set up systems and enact things and that is exactly what we are doing. This isn’t a concrete document that seals up everything we could ever do.
u. Move to question
   i. Fuhrmann/Wallace
      1. Passes, one abstention
v. Voting on proposed amendment
   i. Hand vote
      1. Fails, 3:22:3
vi. Back to discussion on the document as a whole.
   1. there is a lot of questions about the body that is going to allocate this so I will propose an amendment
      a. I move to amend the part of the apportionment committee by putting a line through it and replace it with “upon passage of this resolution the 2008 Summer Executives be charged with the following…”
b. If this referendum passes and if we can get it to the state then we want to have a system in place ASAP. That is why it is summer execs, then they can present something the first meeting of Fall 2008.
   i. What input will other senators be able to have over the summer?
      1. the summer execs are voted in by the senate. You can attend the meetings. They are very open meetings. In addition you have to officially approve what they do.

c. I would like to amend that after it says 2008 summer execs add “along with the non-voting membership of one member of environmental council, legislative affairs, RHAC to be present at each meeting that discusses the Environmental Sustainability Reserve”
   i. Hammen/Ruplinger
   ii. Point of order
      1. Was that amendment? Don’t you have to say the wording?
         a. I am actually trying to figure out what was said.
   iii. Point of info
      1. do want it to read “to be charged with the following”
         a. yes

d. I don’t like the idea that they are required to be there.

e. Summer exec’s are charged with the process of deciding who should be deciding so including others makes no sense

f. Summer exec’s documents or decisions have to be approved by senate at the beginning of the school year?

h. This is to make sure that members have a voice on this committee, not necessarily voting but have a voice

i. The way it is worded members of this committee have to be there in order to have a vote so this is a concern. This should be an invitation to be part of the discussion but they should not have to be there to have anything be voted upon. Voluntary maybe could be added for these committees members

j. These members should be part of the process, and this should not be taken too literally

k. Amend voluntary, non voting membership
    Trimborn/Hammen
i. Call to question
   1. Point of info - This amendment is strictly the word voluntary?
      a. Yes
   2. Passes with 3 abstentions

l. Move to strike “membership of” and substitute with presence. Also to add the word “advisory” in front of presence.
   i. Decker/Holzem
      1. Call to question
         a. Acclimation
            i. Passes.

m. Move to question
   i. Klotz/Wallace
      1. Point of info - this would imply that they have to be there.
      2. Point of info - urge you not to get too complicated with this, the intent is what you have to zero in on. Nothing the summer exec board does valid until senate approves it.
      3. Executive decision to remove “to be present”
         ii. Passes with 3 abstentions.

n. Voting on the green
   i. Passes with 3 abstentions

o. Discussion on the yellow part
   i. Move to question
      1. Fuhrmann/Hammen
         a. Acclimation
            i. Objection
         b. Passes, 3 abstentions
      2. Voting
         a. Passes, 3 abstentions

2. Discussion on the document as a whole
   a. If we say in four years to evaluate that, I think after four years they can reevaluate it and we can go from there. Why are we asking students to put in $5 if it under review.
      i. Point of info
         1. If the amount of money were ever changed it would need another resolution.
   b. Amend to add “the green fund is a student proposed investment…”
      i. Groshek/Eck
1. I think it is a great idea and should be included.
2. Point of personal privilege- could you make it a little bigger?
3. I think it is important so that students know what they are voting for.

ii. Include another bullet that says “this list is not exhaustive”
   1. Ruplinger/Holzem
   2. call to question
      a. Fails, 5 abstentions

iii. Move to amend to add “include, but are not limited to”
   1. Fuhrmann/Ruplinger
      a. Quorum #2
      b. Call to question
         i. Objection
      c. Move to question
         i. Klotz/Wallace
         ii. Passes, 2 abstentions
      d. Voting
         i. Passes, 2 abstentions

3. Discussion on the highlighted stuff
   a. Move to question
      i. Ruplinger/Hammen
         1. Passes, 2 abstentions

4. Voting on the yellow
   a. Passes, 2 abstentions

vii. Move to amend and put in “there fore be it further resolved…sunset clause”
   1. Eck/Hammen
      a. I think this is a good idea because it would get us up on our feet and running. Students will still be aware of this fee.
   2. I don’t think this is necessary at all. It is already in the original resolution and I think we are just adding more redundancy to the document.
   3. Move to question
      a. Sackmann/Decker
         i. Passes, 2 abstentions
            1. Voting on yellow highlighted info
               a. Passes, 3 abstentions

viii. Back to document as a whole.
   1. Call to question
      a. Objection
2. After consulting with Bjorn I would like to amend one of the there fore’s to send the referendum “results to the Vice Chancellor of Administration and Finance” and the rest be stricken.
   a. Decker/Trimborn
3. Call to question
   a. Objection
   b. Point of info- will the students be made of the results?
      i. All election results are made public.
   c. Call to question
      i. Passes, 1 abstention
ix. Back to the document as a whole
  1. I wonder if listing the buildings in there exempts us from any future buildings that the university might have.
     a. Executive decision changing it to “e.g.:”… no objection…
 2. I would like to amend to add another therefore… “the complete text of this resolution be provided to voters at the time of voting”
     a. Decker/Allen
     b. Point of info- wasn’t this already established?
        i. It just makes it official.
     c. I think it is important that students have this at the time of voting as opposed to being an uninformed voter.
     d. I believe that there has been hyperlinks before. Election commission would be in charge of this and you can express your concerns to them.
        i. Amend to say that “by means of a hyper link or if not possible, whatever means the election commission deems appropriate”
           1. Allen/Decker
           2. point of info- you are getting into the administrative side of this and you can elect a committee to deal with this.
           3. We are starting to micromanage stuff and there is really no need to do this. Even if you don’t like it there is no harm in voting against it.
           4. I only like it because we are talking about the speed of this and it might add a little more timeliness to this process.
           5. if we are giving them an option to disregard then we should leave it to them
           6. call to question
              a. objection
           7. move to question
8. Voting
   a. Fails, 2 abstentions
3. I am just a little uncomfortable because it seems really vague.
4. Move to question.
   a. Eck/Vice
   b. Passes, 2 abstentions
      i. Voting
         1. Passes, 1 abstention
5. Motion to approve
   a. Holzem/Eck
   b. Quorum #3
      i. Appoint a Parliamentarian
         1. Nominations
            a. Fred Ludwig who is a non voting person.
               i. Fred appointed as parliamentarian.
            c. Document passes, 1 abstention
   d. Resolution Supporting a Graduate Student Speaker at the Graduate Student Commencement
      i. Klotz/Wallace
         1. I feel like this is pretty cut and dry
         ii. Discussion
            1. Call to question
               a. Acclimation
                  i. Passes
   e. Motion to recess for 3 minutes
      1. Ruplinger/Wallace
         a. Fails
   f. UW-L Student Association Resolution Supporting Priority Policies for the Governor’s Task Force on Global Warming
      i. Kahl/Sackmann
      ii. Discussion
         1. I think we should talk about this.
         2. The governor is having a public input session during spring break and I have a feeling that it is during spring break for a reason. I want to guarantee that the student voice is going to be heard.
         3. The only point of contention that is possible are the second to last and third to last statements. Do we believe global warming is an issue and do we agree with the governor, this answer is yes and yes.
4. the purpose of SA is to be able to speak on behalf of the students. I am not completely bypassing students, I have been talking to many students.

5. Call to question
   a. Passes, 1 abstention

   g. Resolution Conveying UW-L Budget Priorities for the UW System
      i. Klotz/Kahl
      ii. I think we need to make some changes.
      iii. Discussion
          1. These are the budget priorities approved by UC and we will forward them on the system rep.
          2. Amendment to make all the numbers bullets, strike number 1 and three.
             a. Holzem/Wallace
             b. I agree that the first one is completely ridiculous but I feel obliged to keep it one the list. If everyone else is going to be fighting for it then we should be fighting for it too. I say get rid of the second one.
             c. In my opinion calling for a decrease in light of the budget would be foolish, while we ask for an increase in 9 other areas.
             d. It is like contradicting ourselves.
             e. I think we should take out the first one for sure because there is no reason for the 6%. I also support taking out the second one.
             f. I think that ones like #5 are important. I think there are different measures we can utilize to make tuition affordable.
             g. Call to question
                i. Passes

   iv. Discussion on the document as a whole
       1. Why is domestic partner benefits on the list?
          a. We do realize that we are the only institution that does not carry domestic partnerships. It is well documented that there are faculty that have left.
       2. Does asking for increases in any of these areas make sense, and it is really fiscally responsible? Move to amend the document to move the second bullet point to the top one and also to change the increase parts to index to inflation.
          a. Decker
             i. No second
       3. We did the bullet points to not have specific order to these. I think it is responsible to ask for increase in these things because just the state is in a tough budget spot it doesn’t mean that its priorities are straight.

   4. call to question
XI. Discussion
   a. Approval of Student Court Justices (Mariano, Yang, Larsen, Martens)
      i. Klotz/Cerwin
      ii. This has been more than a daunting process. I got swept in GQ&A. there has been a lot of road blocks. We talked to all of the people on the list. They have all been involved. There is only one person that could make it tonight so I thought it would be better to have them come in together after break.
      iii. Discussion
          1. they are not here to speak so I move to close discussion
             a. Fuhrmann/Wallace
                i. Passes

XII. Announcements
   a. Can I make a motion to suspend the rules?
      i. I won’t entertain that right now.
   b. If you have anything in the senate office, get it out before spring break.
   c. Weight lifting club has a big event Sat 11 am that Saturday we get back in the REC.
   d. Can we agree that the meeting lasted until 5am so I can outdo Larry?
   e. Thank you all for staying.
   f. Come to Bjorn’s Capstone presentation on the Monday after break, March 24th, at 1:10pm in Wimberly 121, I will be talking about mercury pollution and its effects on rice.
   g. Rainbow Unity is putting together our drag show if anyone would like to attend.

XIII. Adjournment
   a. Csargo/Wallace
   b. Meeting adjourned at 10:36pm