SA 0910-038: Resolution Enumerating a Standing Planning and Process Committee

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WHEREAS; there is no student directed process for giving future Senators, Executives, and Directors bearing in carrying on work of the Student Government requiring knowledge prior to experience of the eldest member; and,

WHEREAS; Senators, Executives, and Directors likely serve no more than four (4) terms holding any Student Association Office; and,

WHEREAS; knowledge and consistency are key in running successful government operations; and,

WHEREAS; maintaining continuity between Senate Sessions is difficult; and,

WHEREAS; there is potential to gain feedback from constituents on more than current issues; and,

WHEREAS; committees with little experience or direction beginning each academic year could utilize feedback and knowledge retained by this Planning and Process Committee; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse Student Senate approves the following amendment to the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse Student Senate bylaws; and,

ARTICLE VI – COMMITTEES
Section 6.1-
The following committees shall be standing committees of the UWLSA Student Senate. Membership, powers, and responsibilities within the committees shall be governed by the

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respective committee by-laws. If any of these committees changes its name, these bylaws will be adjusted accordingly.

6.101- Segregated University Fee Allocation Committee (SUFAC)
6.102- Student Services and Buildings Committee
6.103- Legislative Affairs Committee
6.104- Organizations Committee
6.105- Cultural Affairs Committee
6.106- Athletics Committee
6.107- Academic Affairs Committee
6.108- Academic Initiatives Oversight Committee
6.109- Academic Initiatives Stipend Committee
6.110- Human Diversity Organization Committee
6.111- Process and Planning Committee

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; the Board of Director’s Bylaws are amended as follows; and,

D. Director of City Affairs (DoCA): The Director of City Affairs is a liaison position which should maintain good communication between the students of UW-L and the City of La Crosse. The DoCA works with city officials to ensure that the students’ best interest is taken into account in regards to city policies. The DoCA oversees and works with any current contracts or agreements that the Student Association has with the City of La Crosse. It shall be the duty of the City Affairs Director to:

1. Meet with the District 5 Council Person on a monthly basis,

2. Meet with La Crosse Police Department University Liaison Officer within the first month of each semester for reports or to build rapport,

3. Serve as the UWL representative on the MTU Board,

4. Actively seek out a position on a city board or committee in addition to the MTU Board,

5. Become familiar with the City Council Persons and seek to open lines of communication with them,

6. Attend and speak at City Council meetings on an at need basis when issues arise that would affect the student population of UW-L.
7. Attend Planning and Process Committee meetings.

H. Shared Governance Director: The Shared Governance Director is responsible for ensuring that there is adequate student representation and participation in all shared governance activities at UW-La Crosse, in accordance with WI statute 36.09(5). It shall be the duty of the Shared Governance Director to:

1. Primarily be responsible for ensuring that the provisions in WI Statue 36.09(5) be carried out at UW-L,

2. Be a resource for the UWLSA on issues of Shared Governance,

3. Give at least one presentation during the school year that is open to all students on the importance of 36.09(5),

4. Present reports for the Student Senate regarding issues of shared Governance and explain their implications for the students of UW-L,

5. Attend and actively participate in all United Council General Assemblies for UW-L’s representative to the University Affairs Committee,

6. Chair of Academic Affairs Committee,

7. Be in direct communication with the University Affairs Director for United Council once a month,

8. Attend and Faculty Senate meetings and be a liaison between that group and Student Senate,

9. Be in direct communication with the Faculty Senate Chair at least once a week,

10. Attend all UW System Board of Regents meetings,

11. Be in regular contact with student and UW-L’s buddy Regents,

12. Be in regular contact with Shared Governance Directors in other schools,

13. Follow the directives set forth by the Student Association President and Vice-President as well as develop new ideas for consideration by the President and Vice-President.

J. Environmental Sustainability Director: The Environmental Sustainability Director will serve as a liaison between Student Association, environmental organizing groups, and individuals on campus and in the community of La Crosse that work on environmental issues. They will be charged with organizing campaigns to inform UW-L students of, and make progress toward, environmental sustainability on campus, as well as monitoring activity of government (local, state, and national) and other organizations that impact environmental sustainability at UW-L. Further, they shall actively network and lobby on the state level in order to strengthen the student voice around issues of environmental sustainability. The Environmental Sustainability Director will report directly to the President and Vice President. It shall be the duty of the Environmental Sustainability Director to:

1. Be actively involved with the committee formed as a result of the Chancellor’s endorsement of the Talloires Declaration,

2. Be actively involved with the committee formed to oversee the environmental sustainability reserve (aka the Green Fund),

3. Establish and maintain relationships between other UW-System Student Government Environmental Sustainability Directors,

4. Work with UW-System DOA officials that are in charge of environmental sustainability within the system on obtaining financial aid in making the campus more environmentally sustainable,

5. Work with the Shared Governance Director to advocate for issues pertaining to environmental sustainability within the UW-System,

6. Work with the Legislative Affairs Director to build networks with legislative offices as well as actively lobby for legislation pertaining to environmental sustainability on campus,

7. Attend UW-L Environmental Council meetings,

8. Attend Student Services and Buildings Committee meetings to represent environmentally sustainable issues in the planning process for any new buildings, structures, or additions on campus,
9. Meet with the UW-L Campus Planner at least once a semester,

10. Meet with UW-L director of Landscape Services at least once a semester,

11. Run campaigns that promote campus wide practices of reducing, reusing, and recycling of goods,

12. Meet with leadership from UW-L campus food services to make efforts to bring local and/or sustainable food and beverage products to campus.

13. Attend Planning and Process Committee meetings.

THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED; the Committee shall be reviewed the first meeting of the 2nd academic semester 2012.