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UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE

STUDENT SENATE

CLASSIFICATION ADJUSTING STIPENDS OF THE PRESIDENT, TREASURER/CHIEF
OF STAFF AND SECRETARY

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INTRODUCED BY PHILLIP RYNISH, INTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEMBER
AND ON-CAMPUS SENATOR; AND ABOU AMARA, PARLIAMENTARIAN

WHEREAS, the current Student Body President stipend is set at \$5,000, which is less than the cost of tuition for one academic year; and

WHEREAS, the Internal Affairs Committee feels the President should receive a stipend equal to that of instate tuition for the academic school year; and

WHEREAS, the current stipends of both the Treasurer/Chief of Staff and Secretary are set at 40% of that of the President's stipend by the Bylaws; and

WHEREAS, the Internal Affairs Committee feels the roles of Secretary and Treasurer/Chief of Staff do not carry equal workloads and therefore should not carry equal stipends; and

WHEREAS, the responsibilities of the Treasurer/Chief of Staff will increase as shown in Attachment "B" to justify an increase in stipend payment;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Student Senate adopts the changes made to Article 6 of the Student Senate Bylaws as seen in Attachment “A” regarding stipends; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Student Senate adopt the changes made to Article 6, Section 5(B) and (C) of the Student Senate Bylaws as seen in Attachment “A” as well; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these changes take effect at the beginning of the 53rd Session of the UW-Eau Claire Student Senate; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage, President Lauer transmit a copy of this bill to Dr. Brian Levin-Stankevich, Chancellor; Dr. Marty Wood, Interim Provost/Vice Chancellor; Dr. Beth Hellwig, Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs; and Jodi Thesing-Ritter, Associate Dean of Students, Dean of Students Office.

Section 5: Stipends

- B. All stipends for other officers shall be a percentage of the President's stipend. They shall be paid equally over 19 weeks (pay periods).
- a) The Vice-President shall receive an amount equal to 75% of the President's stipend, (\$3,750)
 - | b) The Treasurer shall receive an amount equal to ~~40%~~ 50% of the President's stipend (\$2,500)
 - | c) The Secretary shall receive an amount equal to ~~40%~~ 20% of the President's stipend (\$1,000)
 - d) Directors shall receive an amount equal to 50% of the President's stipend (\$2,500)
 - e) The Parliamentarian shall receive an amount equal to 25% of the President's stipend (\$1,250)
 - f) The Webmaster shall receive an amount equal to 20% of the President's stipend (\$1,000)

B. Secretary

- a) A secretary shall be appointed by the president subject to Senate confirmation.
- b) The secretary of the Senate shall keep the minutes of Senate meetings and be responsible for the distribution of minutes, bills, resolutions, and reports to all senators and officers and such other related duties as the president, vice-president, and chief of staff may direct.
- c) ~~The secretary shall have the option of holding and chairing the appointment committee, in which to recruit and retain students to participate on university, city, state and national committees and commissions; and solicit reports of those meetings from their student representatives.~~
- c) ~~The secretary shall report directly to the President, in an advisory role only, on matters of student attendance and retention of committees; examples including a committee's student vacancy, a non-attending student representative, or matters that arise in committee that require Executive attention.~~
- e) ~~The secretary shall be responsible for providing the President with recommendations for filling vacant positions, or replacing a student that is not attending. He or she may also not only alert the President of potential problems, but recommend students to fill vacancies or replace the non-attending.~~
- f) ~~The secretary should recruit and retain for all of the Administrative, School and Building Committees, as well as others to be directed by the President~~

C. Treasurer & Chief of Staff

- a) A treasurer shall be appointed by the president subject to Student Senate approval.
- b) The Chief of Staff position is limited to individuals who have been active in the previous session.
- c) Has the responsibility in formulating, with the President, the Student Senate General Operations budget and the Legal Services budget.
- d) Review the financial records of the Student Senate and shall be a member of Student Senate Finance Commission.
- e) Has budgetary discretion, along with the President, for purchases at or below \$50.
- f) Monitor attendance of Senators through, among other things, the minutes and with the Treasurer to enforce the attendance set forth in Article 5, Sections 3 and 4.
- g) Plan the Executive Board and general Senate's retreat as well as both end of the semester banquets.
- h) Plan at least one activity a semester for general Senate.
- i) Has the responsibility to attend the budget processes of the Academic Affairs Commission, Finance Commission, and Information Technology Commission.**
- j) Hold weekly meetings with the President and Vice-President to discuss current issues and concerns both they and directors have.
- k) Arrange regular meetings between the President, Vice-President, Chief of Staff, and the individual directors.
- l) Hold at least two office hours a week in order to be accessible for Directors to express concerns.
- m) Meet annually with the Finance Director and Information Technology Director, prior to formation of the Student Senate Operations and Legal Services Budgets to discuss and plan for the costs of the technology rotation for the upcoming fiscal year.