



*General meeting minutes of January 30, 2012*

*President Phil Rynish*

*Vice-President Mark Morgan*

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*A regular meeting of the 55<sup>th</sup> Session of Student Senate was called to order at 6:01 PM on Monday January 30, 2012 in the Tamarack Conference Room, President Phillip Rynish chairing the meeting.*

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### **The Pledge of Allegiance**

Led by Krall

### **Roll Call**

See Attachment

### **Open Forum**

Dylan Jambrek on United Council

### **Approval of the minutes from January 23rd, 2012**

Minutes approved

Motion to place personnel matter above the reports, by Morgan, second by Bernardy

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT

### **Personnel Matter**

#### **TREASURER/CHIEF OF STAFF**

Coates, Paul

#### **FINANCE COMMISSION**

Opitz, Melissa, resigned

Gilbert, Chelsea

McCarthy, Kelsey

Williams, Madeline

#### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMISSION**

Bailey, Matt, resigned  
Zich, Tyrel

#### STUDENT LIFE & DIVERSITY COMMISSION

Streeter, Benjamin, LGBTQA, resigned  
Streeter, Benjamin, Men's Issues  
Xie, Yuchen, Women's Issues, resigned  
Burke, Brianna, Women's Issues  
Fish, Corydon  
Sias, Matthew

#### STUDENT SERVICES COMMISSION

Egan, Carolyn, resigned  
Gullickson, Melissa, resigned

#### STUDENT OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY

Whited, Brittany, Director  
Hogan, Nick, resigned

#### STUDENT MISCONDUCT REVIEW COMMITTEE

Hofmann, Gregory  
Gelhaus, William

#### ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENTS

Erickson, Joel, Educ & Human Sciences, resigned  
Anhorn, Jason, Arts & Sciences

#### MOBILE SERVICES GOVERNANCE TEAM

Krall, Benjamin

### **Report of the President**

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Hello Everyone-

This past week I met with professional staff that will be involved in the moving process to the New Davies from the Student Orgs Complex. A list of key dates is hanging up in the Senate office. After the Student Orgs Complex closes Senate will remain in its half for the majority of the semester, until May 14th. The Sustainability Attainment Committee also met. We discussed the possibility of creating a campus wide definition for the word "Sustainability." The hope is that it will encompass all areas of sustainability and will give some focus to campus as we work towards our goal of being sustainable in all areas of operation. We also discussed setting a date for which our campus will be carbon neutral by, in accordance with the President's Climate Commitment.

Congratulations to the new members of our Executive Board, Brittany Whited is the new Student Office of Sustainability Director, and Paul Coates is our new Chief of Staff. Next week we will have a presentation by the New Davies Steering Committee. The Committee will present progress reports, talk about any changes to the building plan that may have happened recently, and will field questions.

Thank you everyone, and have a great week!

*Phil Rynish*

## **Report of the Vice President**

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The College of Arts and Sciences Dean Search and Screen will have a meeting to finalize candidates to bring to campus this coming Thursday. Vacancies committee will begin meeting later this week to fill the 4 vacant senate seats, please encourage those interested in applying to apply ASAP.

*Mark Morgan*

## **Report of the Treasurer**

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Chief of Staff/Treasurer Paul Coates appointed

## **Board of Directors Reports**

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### **Report of the Academic Affairs Commission Director**

-By Wednesday night we will clarify who is currently appointed and begin to find a new meeting time for this semester.

-Hopefully we will have a new meeting time set in time to meet next week.

Thanks!

*Jacob Bernardy*

### **Report of Finance Commission Director**

Finance Commission will be meeting on Wednesday to hear a special allocation presentation as well as discussing tentative bylaw changes regarding funding timelines and budgetary oversight.

*Patrick Martin*

### **Report of Information Technology Commission Director**

The Information Technology Commission will meet this week on Friday at 3:00PM in Old Library 2110. We will be discussing the Copyright Compliance agreement for campus and the upcoming semester.

*Ben Krall*

### **Intergovernmental Affairs Commission Director**

1. United Council Convention @ UW- Parkside on February 10-12th. Last chance to sign up to go.
2. United Council Sustainability Conference @ UW- La Crosse on February 24-26th. If you would like to go talk to me afterwards.
3. Meeting on Friday @ noon in the Clearwater room.

*Corydon Fish*

## **Report of the Organizations Commission Director**

Howdy everyone!

The Organizations Commission had their first meeting of the semester today. We discussed many things including hosting two upcoming workshops for organizations that need to update their constitution before the end of the school year; the timeline for clearing out the Student Organization Complex; and updating the funding timeline for student organizations. Speaking of which, I will be meeting with commission member Frank Heaton and Finance Director Martin on Tuesday, January 31, to discuss updates to help organizations receive funding in an easier and more timely manner. I will also have a meeting with Brian Carlisle, Phil Rynish, and Joseph Haferman to discuss the Student Organization Conduct Committee, also known as the SOCC.

Another important note the commission changed meeting day and time to 4pm on Wednesdays, in a room yet to be scheduled.

The next commission meeting will be this Wednesday, February 1, at 4pm in a room yet to be determined. We will be discussing what was brought in the meetings about funding and the SOCC between now and then, along with the presentation and promotional material for the upcoming Constitutional workshops.

Have a good week everyone!

*Jessi Van Natta*

## **Report of the Public Relations Commission Director**

Hello Everyone!!

Just a short report this week! The Public Relations Commission will be meeting this week on Wednesday, Feb. 1 in the cabin in Davies at 10:00 a.m.

This week, we will focus on BOB and getting promotional materials ready. I will also provide an overview of the duties of the PR Commission for those of you that are new this semester! I am excited to have a bunch of you on board and helping out with events and publicity around campus.

*Jennifer Talen*

## **Report of the Student Life and Diversity Commission Director**

Hello All,

I hope everyone had a good start of the semester and SLD had its first meeting of the semester last week in which we discussed specifics about the Oxfam American Hunger Banquet event in late March. Some of the commission members began contacting professors, campus and community organizations to collaborate. Other than that, our 4th Newsletter which, is dedicated to the Civil Rights movement in America and the month of February being Black History Month, is coming out on February 1st. I encourage you to check out our Newsletter which will have all the events on campus in regard to Black History Month. SLD meets on Tuesdays at 11 in Maple Room, Davies.

Thanks,

*Linda Lee*

## Report of the Student Office of Sustainability

Hello! The SOS met last week to briefly overview all of the projects we are working on and discuss the main ones we want to focus on this semester. There are currently two internship openings on the SOS and those will be filled at the end of the week. Big news is that Zimride is up and running! The SOS will be present at BOB handing out information for potential zimriders. The \$CORE program began over the weekend with practice audits and is running smoothly. This week we will be talking about the UC conference, Vermicomposting, and Recyclemania. Meetings are Tuesday, 5pm in the Alumni Room.

*Brittany Whited*

## Report of the Student Services Commission Director

Student Services met last week to discuss plans for House Day next year, given that the Campus Mall will not be available. This week we will be discussing the possibility of having sanitary wipes available by all computers on campus, looking over a Special Allocation Request for an upper campus book drop, and beginning to work on invitations for the Nightwalk, which will occur late in April. We meet at 4:30 on Thursdays, in a room to be determined.

*Stephanie Mabrey*

## Report of the University Activities Commission Director

Meetings held in the Badger Room on Tuesday at 6:00PM

### CABIN

## Farewell Milwaukee

- Friday | February 3 | 8PM | The Cabin

## The Tinder Box

- Saturday | February 4 | 8PM | The Cabin

### FILMS

## 50/50

- UAC | Thursday- Sunday | February 2-5 | 6 & 8:30 PM | Davies Theatre

### HIGHERGROUND

## Karaoke

- Thursday | February 2 | 8PM

## Mike Malone Swing Band with Dance Party to Follow

- Friday | February 3 | 10 PM

## Club Mercury Dance Party

- Saturday | February 4 | 10PM
- Better wear your brightest colors and bring some sunscreen or sunglasses – Our new LED Blacklights are BRIGHT!!

### SPECIAL EVENTS

# Jabali Afrika

- Tuesday | January 31 | 7:30PM | Schofield Auditorium | FREE!

*Kristi Basa*

## **Special Reports**

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### **RHA Liaison Report**

This week was our first meeting of the new semester with several new members on our executive board. Since it is the beginning of the semester the meeting was rather short

Coming up

Activities and Programs: will be hosting Virgin Bourbon Street (VBS) February 25th from 7-9 at Higherground. VBS is a program to help promote the dangers of drinking and alternatives.

Leading up to VBS Higherground has agreed to make it a Mardi Gras week where students can decorate their own mask to wear to the dance on Saturday night.

Good evening! On behalf of RHA's Activities and Programs committee and Higherground, I would like to announce Masquerade Mardi Gras Virgin Bourbon Street. Virgin Bourbon Street is a large social event which promotes responsible, non-alcoholic activities. There will be games, educational activities, prizes, and the Best Mock-tail Competition between the Resident Halls. This year Virgin Bourbon Street is happening as part of Higher Ground's Masquerade Week (for which you will other advertising and notices around campus soon). This a chance to educate residents about the dangers of drinking, and for your hall to win up to \$150!

Virgin Bourbon Street is a large social event that promotes non-alcoholic activities. This year we plan to host a masquerade dance with a DJ alongside Virgin Bourbon Street. There will be a variety of other activities there as well. RAs are encouraged to bring their wings. The entire theme is Masquerade Mardi Gras Virgin Bourbon Street. Each hall is encouraged to devise and bring their own non-alcoholic beverage and decorate a table at VBS which they will give samples of their drink at. Halls are encouraged to incorporate that theme into their booth, but it is not a requirement. The three halls with the best presentation will win one of the following prizes:

People's Choice (chosen by the attendees): \$100

Judge's Choice (chosen by the committee): \$100

1/2 and 1/2 (an average of the People' and Judges' Choice): \$150

This event will take place on February 25 (exactly four weeks) from 7-9 at Higherground. Here is how everyone can get involved. At your next Hall Council meeting, have the assembly come up with a list of mock-tail ideas which your hall can use. Submit your top three ideas (in order of preference) to me by no later February 15. You will receive a confirmation email from me shortly after that. This will prevent overlap between the halls so that we have a wide variety of beverages. The sooner a hall submits it preference, the more likely that hall is to get their first choice!

Halls are responsible for procuring their own ingredients and decorations, but RHA will provide the cups and a table for each hall. RHA recommends that you anticipate 200-300 students trying your beverage. Please remember that your decorations must NOT promote binge drinking.

Please feel free to email, call, or text me as soon as you like with any questions or concerns. As we get closer to the event Higherground and RHA will make more details available regarding what other activities, etc. will be present at the event.

Thank you and I hope to hear from you all very soon!

*Paige Lofald*

## **Unfinished Business**

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No Unfinished Business

## **New Business**

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No other New Business

## **Announcements**

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Dean Carlisle on the Neuroscientist presentation on February 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10-12

Krall on giving Kust the trophy for fantasy football and encourages talking about meetings on Facebook and twitter to inform students

Kahlow on volunteers for the V-Ball

Martin on 3<sup>rd</sup> place for forensics

Rynish on pictures on the website and switching new pictures for the old pictures if you so choose

## **Adjournment**

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The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 pm by President Phillip Rynish.

*Minutes submitted by Emily Mertens, Secretary*

Title

Name

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President	Phillip Rynish	P
Vice President	Mark Morgan	P
Senator, On-Campus	Bailey, Matthew	P
Senator, On-Campus	Burke, Brianna	P
Senator, On-Campus	Hofmann, Greg	P
Senator, On-Campus	Kahlow, Stephen	P
Senator, On-Campus	Lee, Linda Y	P
Senator, On-Campus	Montgomery, Jarrel	P
Senator, On-Campus	Van De Laarschot, Steven	P
Senator, On-Campus	Aeby, Leah	P
Senator, On-Campus	Guenthner, Annie	P
Senator, Off-Campus	Bernardy, Jake	P
Senator, Off-Campus	Coates, Paul	P
Senator, Off-Campus	Duffy, Tim	P
Senator, Off-Campus	Fish, Corydon	P
Senator, Off-Campus	Fishbeck, Jacob	P
Senator, Off-Campus	Heaton, Frank	P
Senator, Off-Campus	Krall, Ben	P
Senator, Off-Campus	Kust, James	P
Senator, Off-Campus	Martin, Patrick	P
Senator, Off-Campus	Mabrey, Stephanie	P
Senator, Off-Campus	Miller, Paydon	A
Senator, Off-Campus	Opitz, Melissa	P
Senator, Off-Campus	Ross, April	P
Senator, Off-Campus	Sias, Matthew	A
Senator, Off-Campus	Streeter, Ben	P
Senator, Off-Campus	Stuckart, Katerine	P
Senator, Off-Campus	Kulas, Charles	P
Director	Whited, Brittany	P
Director	Basa, Kristi	P
Director	Talen, Jennifer	P
Director	Van Natta, Jessi	P
Parliamentarian	Schmitz, Michael	P