



General meeting minutes of November 9, 2009

Michael Umhoefer
President

Amber Bretl
Vice President

A regular meeting of the 53rd Session of Student Senate was called into order at 6:03 pm on Monday, November 2, 2009 in the TAMARACK ROOM, President Michael Umhoefer chairing and Secretary Jessi Van Natta being present.

The Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Senator Justin Koch.

Roll Call

See Attachment A

Presentation by MJ Brukardt and Michael Wick re: Blugold Commitment Update

Open Forum

Roxie Schmidt introduced herself as a United Council Board member and also reminded the senate of the upcoming United Council convention.

Motion by Senator Kampen to suspend the rules to move "Personnel Matter" before the approval of the minutes. 2nd by Senator Koch.

Personnel Matter

See Attachment

Approval of Minutes from November 2, 2009

Special Reports

Report of the President

Hello everyone,

I want to first say that Amber is not here today because she is very sick. Having spent the entire weekend with her, and shared food and drinks I am really banking on not getting ill. The two of us went down to Platteville this weekend for student representatives meeting.

It was very educational to get an opportunity to talk with the different schools about everything we are dealing with on our campuses. I spoke extensively with La Crosse in regards to their green fund and finance commissions. They will be sending their bylaws and policies for that account to help guide us to develop ours. I also spoke with La Crosse about their large scale differential tuition proposal. They actually had their Senate vote before sending out a survey or the referendum, which I found extremely odd. Madison was there as well and I spoke with them about their initiative. They actually didn't plan student input on the process at all before it was approved by their senate, students or the Regents. This semester, they have been working to develop the student input and it basically came out the exact same way we have developed ours, which reaffirms the direction we are going with the Blugold Commitment.

The most heated topic of student representatives was their role in United Council. The debate was focused on the student representatives being an advisory board for UC and possibly resetting the fee for all campuses. This becomes very complicated because some student governments have policies in place pretty much making it impossible for them to join. If you have any questions about this discussion please let me know and we can talk about it.

I also spoke with leaders from Platteville in regards to their smoking ban on campus, which

their president does not support. He quit smoking this summer but he said the smoking ban just took away the receptacles and cigarette butts are everywhere.

In executive board we talked about the multiple e-mails students received regarding the Blugold Commitment, I am having some administrators look into what happened to clarify the glitch. The senator of the week this week is Melissa Gulickson for her incredible work in the Student Life and Diversity commission, specifically her work on the non-traditional student awareness week. Congratulations Melissa Gulickson.

Michael Umhoefer

Report of the Vice President

Hello Everyone,

I hope you all had a great weekend. I apologize for not being at the meeting tonight. I am sick. Student Representatives in Platteville went very well this weekend. Michael and I got lots of information that we brought back to share with all of you.

One thing I need from all of you is an estimate on the number of people who would be willing and wanting to go through Safe Space training on a Sunday afternoon. I need an estimate so we can get the right amount of materials for the training. I will put a sign-up sheet on the board. So, please, if you're interested sign up by Thursday.

With that I hope you all have a good week!

Amber Brett

Report of the Chief of Staff

I hope your weekend went well. This week for office hours there are a few options. First off, Webmaster Sias has set up listening sessions on Tuesday from 7-8 p.m. in the Alumni room and Thursday from 7-8 p.m. in the Hilltop lounge. These are very important to attend to give students the opportunity to ask questions about Student Senate and the Blugold Commitment. If you cannot make any of those events, another office hour opportunity for this week will be the open forum on Blugold Commitment on Wednesday from noon – 1:00. More information about the topics will be in the UAC report. If you have any questions, or you cannot attend any of these events this week, please e-mail me as soon as possible so I do not assume you skipped.

Adam Sorelle

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORTS

Report of the Academic Affairs Commission Director

Hello,

Today in Academic Affairs, the budget officer met with us to discuss the outcome of the differential tuition proposals and present the proposals that were funded, either fully or partially. This is the first year that students were allowed to be in the discussion about the proposals with the provost's staff, so I thank President Umhoefer and Vice President Bretl for serving on that committee with me. I personally felt it went really well and it will help us as students better be able to develop a sustainable process for the Blugold Commitment. If you have any questions about the proposals that were funded, feel free to contact me or any member of the Academic Affairs Commission. There should be a bill sometime later this month for our approval of the proposals, so look for that later.

Adam Sorelle

Report of the Finance Commission Director

There was no Finance meeting this past week and there will not be one this week, but appeals are coming up. Appeals are due by this Tuesday by end of business, and I would encourage all organizations to get those in if they are pursuing an appeal. After the budget cycle is over, we will be discussing reformatting the process for student organizations.

Dylan Jambrek

Report of the Information Technology Commission Director

I am still working on finalizing the bill for the Student Technology Fee budget. One thing that came up this week is that all universities will be required to offer an alternative to illegal downloading, so I will be looking into that once I get the instructions. Watch for the STF bill in the next two weeks.

Jacob Kampen

Report of the Intergovernmental Affairs Commission Director

There is no new business with IGA. Our next meetings are Monday at 4:30pm in the Wisconsin room.

Armon Tabrizi

Report of Organizations Commission Director

Thank you for getting all the constitution done for our meeting. Our meeting will be from 12-1 p.m. tomorrow in the Oak room. Have a great week!

Jake Johnson

Report of the Public Relations Commission Director

The Public Relations Commission met this week to discuss new and exciting ways to inform the students about the Blugold Commitment. We are also working hard to get the word out about House Day. I am still working on getting the legal spaces approved for *The Senatorial* toilet talk.

Cassidy Brandt

Report of the Student Life & Diversity Commission Director

This week in SLD we had PDE come in and do a program with us. It was well received by the members. Also it is *November*, men's health awareness month. We will be selling fake moustaches and the proceeds will go to *movember.com*, a site dedicated to help research men's prostate cancer. I hope you all support the cause. On Thursday, November 19, SLD invites you to the 'A Day with Nowhere to Stay Challenge.' From 5-6:30 p.m. share a meal with the homeless community and learn what resources Eau Claire has to help their needs. SLD meets Mondays at 3 p.m. in the DRC. Have a great week everyone.

Davendra Raj

Report of the Student Services Commission Director

Thanks to Patrick Bloecher for all of his work on Shoo the Flu! HOUSE Day is next Tuesday! Please help us out by signing up to sit at the landlord check-in table for an hour, which will count as your office hour for next week! You can also help by going door-to-door this weekend with the green fliers (sign up on the whiteboard in the Senate Office). Student Services' big project this week has been drafting a resolution after the Tobacco-Free Campus resolution failed at Monday night's meeting. Please let me know if you have any suggestions or would like to hear more about what our commission has come up with!

Sarah Tweedale

Report of the University Activities Commission

Cabin

Tuesday, Nov. 10th: Classical Cabin Fever
Noon-1:00pm

Wednesday, Nov. 11th: Jazz at Night @
7:00pm

Friday, Nov. 13th: Local Talent – Trapper Schoepp & The Shades

Saturday, Nov. 14th: Local Talent – Open Stage! Sign-up on the UAC bulletin board in the Student Orgs Complex today through Wednesday ☐

o Shows are FREE and begin at 8:00pm on Friday & Saturday

Concerts

OK Go!! This Thursday, Nov. 12th in Zorn

o **Doors open at 7pm**

o **Tickets are still available at the Service Center; ONLY \$10 with student ID!** ☐

Films

This week **Thursday through Sunday:**

Fantastic Planet Showings at 6:00pm & 8:30pm

Higherground:

Friday, Nov. 13th: Club Mercury Dance Party @ 10:00pm

Saturday, Nov. 14th: Club Mercury RAVE @ 10:00pm

o All techno..electronic..house music ☐

No cover on wither nights!

Emily Fiedler

Report of the United Council Delegation Leader

This week in UC news we are getting geared up for the referendum next week and preparing for a convention in December. Have a great week everyone!

Janna Caspersen

Report of the Webmaster

Hello everyone,

Progress with the social networks is going well. I plan to continue working on our social web presence over time. More immediately, however, I have added an input form to accept students' questions and comments regarding the Blugold Commitment. There is a link to this form from the main Student Senate page, but it can also be found directly at

<http://www.uwec.edu/StudentSenate/bgc.htm>.

All form submissions are sent to the general Student Senate email address,

stusen01@uwec.edu.

Thank you,
Matthew Sias

Special Reports

Unfinished Business

A. Any Other Unfinished Business brought before the meeting.

New Business

A. Introduction of Resolution 53-R-9, In Support of the Creation of a Tobacco-Free Campus Taskforce

Failed by Roll-Call Vote: 4-21-2

- *(After a Roll-Call Vote failed for the motion that the Resolution be transferred to the Student Services Commission)*

B. Any Other New Business brought before the meeting.

Announcements

- Umhoefer: The stusen01 general e-mail account is accessible. Look for responses/questions/comments/concern from students (regarding the Blugold Commitment) in the inbox.

- Stauber: Model U.N. Baked Good and Book Sale will be this week
- Kampen: College Republicans are celebrating Freedom Week with presentations and other events throughout the week.
- Sias: Listening Sessions are this week; they count as office hours. There will be cookies!
- Plager: The Singing Statesmen concert will be at 7:30 p.m. this Friday.
- Tweedale: Blugold Commitment regular meeting members will be planning and filming the video this week.
- Raj: Senate Bowling Night is Wednesday.
- Jambrek: If anyone is in an organization and would like to appeal to Finance, please e-mail me.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m. by President Umhoefer.

Minutes Submitted By

Jessi Van Natta

53rd SESSION STUDENT SENATE APPOINTMENT LIST NOVEMBER 9, 2009

ON-CAMPUS SENATOR

Morgan, Mark

OFF-CAMPUS SENATOR

Hawkins, Collin

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

COMMISSION

Miller, Paydon

STUDENT LIFE & DIVERSITY COMMISSION

Miller, Paydon, resigned

STUDENT LIFE & DIVERSITY COMMISSION

MULTICULTURAL ISSUES

Hart, Robert, Chairperson, resigned

CHILDREN'S CENTER COMMITTEE

Aronhalt, Bethany, non-user

VIENNESE BALL COMMITTEE

Aronhalt, Bethany, resigned

SPORTS CLUB ADVISORY COUNCIL

Morgan, Mark

Roll Call Vote		To Send 53-R-9 To Student Services	53-R-9																
Title	Name																		
Senator, Off-Campus	Aronhalt, Bethany	N	N																
Senator, Off-Campus	Balow, Blaine	Y	Y																
Senator, Off-Campus	Bloecher, Patrick	Y	Y																
Vice-President	Bretl, Amber	---	---																
Senator, On-Campus	Caspersen, Janna	N	N																
Senator, Off-Campus	Doyle, Brittany	Y	N																
Senator, On-Campus	Duszynski, Chrissy	Y	N																
Senator, Off-Campus	Dybevik, Andrew	N	N																
Senator, Off-Campus	Flanagan, Tyler	N	N																
Senator, Off-Campus	Hawkins, Collin	Y	Y																
Director	Jambrek, Dylan	N	N																
Director	Johnson, Jake	N	N																
Senator, Off-Campus	Judisch, Hannah	Y	N																
Director	Kampen, Jacob	N	N																
Senator, On-Campus	Klingenberg, Benjamin	N	N																
Senator, Off-Campus	Koch, Justin	N	N																
Senator, On-Campus	Kufahl, Katelyn	N	N																
Senator, On-Campus	Lee, Yan Ying	Y	Abstain																
Senator, On-Campus	Morgan, Mark	N	N																
Senator, Off-Campus	Meyers, Eric	---	---																
Senator, Off-Campus	Miller, Paydon	N	N																
Senator, On-Campus	Plager, Phillip	Y	N																
Director	Raj, Daven	N	N																
Senator, On-Campus	Rynish, Phil	---	---																
Senator, Off-Campus	Schulman, Matt	---	---																
Senator, Off-Campus	Schultz, Maxel	Y	N																
Senator, Off-Campus	Shilling, Allie	Y	N																
Senator, Off-Campus	Sias, Matthew	Y	N																
Senator, On-Campus	Smith, Brittany	Y	Y																
Director	Tweedale, Sarah	Y	N																
President	Umhoefer, Michael	Abstain	Abstain																
Senator, On-Campus	Woods, Lauren	---	---																

To Send 53-R-9 to Student Services *Failed 12-14-1*

In Support of Resolution 53-R-9, In Support of the Creation of a Tobacco-Free Campus Taskforce
Failed 4-21-2