



General meeting minutes of November 7th, 2011

President Phil Rynish

Vice-President Mark Morgan

A regular meeting of the 55th Session of Student Senate was called to order at 6:02 PM on Monday November 7th, 2011 in the Council Fire Conference Room, President Phillip Rynish chairing the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Van Natta

Roll Call

See Attachment

Open Forum

Mary Ellen on the newspapers on campus.

Approval of the minutes from October 31st, 2011

Minutes approved

Report of the President

Hello Everyone-

This week there will be a forum on the budget lapse on Tuesday, the 8th of November at 7pm in the Alumni Room on the topic of the proposed budget lapses on the UW-System. Last week I attended the first meeting of the Council of Student Leaders; it looks to be a productive year with that group. I also sat on the smoking committee which will be meeting several more times over the coming months to come up with a sensible smoking plan for campus. This committee came about as a result of last year's conflicting resolutions by the Student and University Senates.

Thanks, and have a great week!

Phil Rynish

Report of the Vice President

No Text submitted this week.

Mark Morgan

Report of the Treasurer

Hello everyone,

I apologize for not being present tonight - I am out of town until Wednesday. I will have limited access to email, so if you need to get ahold of me please call my cell phone.

As an update, we are still having a movie social next Tuesday at the Micon Budget Theatre on Barstow. As of now, the movies for next week have not been posted... so all I can tell you is that it WON'T be The Smurfs or Crazy Stupid Love.

In other news, after the meeting next Monday Director Mabrey and I will be hosting a presentation workshop for whoever is interested in presenting about the services Student Senate provides, as well as giving ourselves a plug. These presentations are intended for your personal classes this semester, with the hopes we will be scheduling some larger 100-level classes next semester.

Finally, the comprehensive leadership committee and the AIL office have introduced a new leadership program called Leadership Circles. It is designed for both emerging and experienced leaders to grow and develop by working with other students on a project of their choosing, among other activities. Groups consist of 8 members and 1 leadership fellow - note the fellow position is a paid student position for which you can also apply. I invite you all to apply to this new program for the spring semester, or contact me if you would like to be nominated! Any questions, feel free to contact myself or Katy Rand in the AIL office.

Have a good week!

Nick Hogan

Board of Directors Reports

Report of the Academic Affairs Commission Director

No Text submitted this week.

Jacob Bernardy

Report of Finance Commission Director

No Text submitted this week.

Patrick Martin

Report of Information Technology Commission Director

No Text submitted this week.

Ben Krall

Intergovernmental Affairs Commission Director

No Text submitted this week.

Corydon Fish

Report of the Organizations Commission Director

Howdy y'all!

I hope everyone is having a great week. During this week's weekly meeting, the Organizations Commission will be reviewing new and updated constitutions, discussing the SUFAC funding procedure, discussing fundraising opportunities for the foundation that funds the Student Opportunity Fund account, and other business, such as the SOCC and the changing of by-laws and constitution requirements. A decision was made last week in the commission meeting to hold one more opportunity for student organizations to attend the Mandatory Organizations Workshop. The workshop will be in Davies Theatre at 8am on Thursday, October 10. Two members must attend this meeting. Each member must attend a different track than the other member of the same organization they are representing. If organizations fail to have members attend these meetings, the organization will be deactivated.

The Organizations Commission will meet at 3:30pm in the Oak Room on Tuesday.

Thank you and have a super duper week,

Jessi Van Natta

Report of the Public Relations Commission Director

No Text submitted this week.

Jennifer Talen

Report of the Student Life and Diversity Commission Director

Student Life and Diversity, at its last meeting, discussed ways to promote "Happiness Initiative" which is a "national project offering tools and resources to communities and individuals seeking to enhance their well-being". At the local level, it is an Eau Claire city/county effort to measure both individuals and groups in ten different critical life areas. On the website (<http://www.eauclairehappiness.com>), there is a UWEC button that students can take the survey. I highly encourage you all senators and directors to take the initiative to take the survey soon and let other students know.

Moreover, some other items discussed are "November" which is an event to raise awareness about prostate cancer. It will take place in the week of Thanksgiving break before everyone leaves for the holiday. Additionally, other events the commission is planning on toward the end of the semester as well as early spring semester.

If anyone would like to know more what is going on with the Student Life and Diversity, the commission meets every Friday at 9 and this week's location will be in Wisconsin Room, Davies Center.

Thank you.

Linda Lee

Report of the Student Office of Sustainability

No report submitted this week.

Ben Ponkratz

Report of the Student Services Commission Director

Student Services:

For those interested in making classroom presentations either this semester or next, please stay after the Student Senate meeting next week, as Chief of Staff Hogan and I will be giving a brief run-through of what information to include when presenting. Student Services will not be meeting this week. I will be meeting with Facilities to work on the Summit/Water Bridge action, as well as continuing to work on a resolution regarding the campus e-mails and campus directory. Have a great week!

Thanks!

Stephanie Mabrey

Report of the University Activities Commission Director

Meetings held in The Cabin on Thursdays at 6:00PM

CABIN

Jazz at Night

- Wednesday | November 9 | 8PM | The Cabin

The Gentle Guest

- Friday | November 11 | 8PM | The Cabin

We are the Willows & Whale House

- Saturday | November 12 | 8PM | The Cabin

FESTIVALS

WINTER CARNIVAL 2012 LOGO CONTEST

- Due on or before 4PM on Friday, December 2, 2011
- Must incorporate this year's theme: *EC Meltdown*

FILMS

13 Tzameti

- Thursday- Sunday | November 10-13 | 6 & 8:30 PM | Davies Theatre

HIGHERGROUND

DJ Showcase | Thursday, November 10 | 8PM

11-11-11 DANCE PARTY

- Friday | November 11 | 11:11PM

CLUB MERCURY DANCE PARTY

- Saturday | November 12 | 10PM

SPECIAL EVENTS

Chancellor's Roundtable

Wednesday | November 9 | Noon | President's Room

Topics:

- UW-Eau Claire's Plan for handling budget cuts
- Concealed carry of firearms and other weapons on the UW-Eau Claire campus

Kristi Basa

Special Reports

Spring Executive Board Elections

Vice President, Secretary, and Issues & Improvement Chair positions will be open for election

Submit on-line form if interested by Wednesday, November 23rd at 4 pm

Made about \$3,000 from Parent's Weekend Apparel Sales

GLACURH was this past weekend at Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana

Raised \$300 for Kate's Cart

Won award for best chapter of NRHH

Issues & Improvements

Running a clothing drive during the last week of classes, December 12th-18th

Continuing work on smoking signs and ending bottled water sale – reusable bottles instead

RECIing Crew –New Campus Organization

Requested and was granted \$200 for shirts for their organization that they will sell to get their funds started. Their next even is this Thursday night at 9 pm on lower. Night games! Called “fun with the lights out

Paige Lofald

Unfinished Business

A. No other unfinished business

New Business

A. No Other New Business

Personnel Matter

ORGANIZATIONS COMMISSION

Friday, Shayna

Nolan, Keri

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMISSION

Casey, Clair

Devine, Daniel

Hanson, Carly

Hejna, Heather

Kahlow, Stephen

Karaffa, Ellyn

Michel, William

Moegenburg, Anna
Montgomery, Jarrel
Schoeneck, Sarah
Walsh, Hannah
Whitemarsh, Rebekah

UNIVERSITY HEALTH ISSUES COMMITTEE

Stradel, Brandon

Announcements

Rynish on Veterans Day this Friday. Option to go to the veterans center at 8:00 a.m. to help hand out yellow ribbons instead of having an office hour. Also on the hockey game as a social, meeting at 6:35 to leave for the game

Lee on the film in Hibbard 102 from 6-8. Recommends going

Opitz on the Sunday choir concert

Duffy on remembering to grab a yellow ribbon at the campus mall on Friday

Martin on taking 5th for forensics

Bernardy on basketball

Morgan on remembering our responsibility as a senate and to keep it professional

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 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	Devine, Daniel	P
Senator, On-Campus	Hofmann, Greg	P
Senator, On-Campus	Kahlow, Stephen	P
Senator, On-Campus	Larson, Bryan	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, 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	A
Senator, Off-Campus	Hogan, Nick	A
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	P
Senator, Off-Campus	Ponkratz, Ben	P
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	Basa, Kristi	P
Director	Talen, Jennifer	P
Director	Van Natta, Jessi	P
Parliamentarian	Schmitz, Michael	P