A regular meeting of the 51st Session of Student Senate was called into order at 6:05 pm on Monday, May 7, 2007 in the Tamarack Room, President Raymond French chairing and Secretary Emily Mattheisen being present.

The Pledge of Allegiance
Led by Director Briggs

Roll Call
See Attachment A

Open Forum

Gabrielle Siciliano:
-Anti-sweat shop code of conduct for our University Bookstore

Approval of Minutes from April 30, 2007
Approved

Report of the President

Good evening everyone! Welcome to our last meeting of the semester. I hope to see all of you in the fall and I look forward to what we can accomplish. I apologize for missing the meeting last week; Director Brewster, Senator Jambrek, and I went to Stevens Point for the Chapters 17 & 18 Revision Committee Listening Session. We spoke for the committee, providing input on the changes we'd like to see in these documents. I think it was marginally successful! On Saturday I attended the Student President's meeting in Madison. They introduced much of the UW System to us and we networked with each other. Most importantly, we discussed how to recruit the best students for the system standing committees. Look for sign ups around the office and in the fall I will nominate you for the committee. Next, I will be around all summer, working for Senate. So if you need anything from me or just want me to tackle an issue, shoot me an e-mail or pull me aside and we'll figure out how to do it. Some of the projects I will be addressing this summer will be subsidized theatre tickets, extended Health Services Hours, the course syllabus database, and online voting. Again, let me know if you want me to work on anything in particular. Next, the University Centers Senior Recognition Reception is this Thursday, May 10 from 3-4:30. There will be free ice cream and a chance to see Colleen give her wonderful speech. Lastly, because we will be renovating the office this summer, we need for all of you to get all of your personal items out of the office by the end of this week. Anything left will be thrown away. Directors, we will hopefully be providing
boxes for you to put your Senate files in. There will be storage space available for the summer, but will be inaccessible for the summer. So if you want to work on some things over the summer, you should take those files home. If you have any questions or concerns, come see me. Good luck on finals and thank you for the great start for the year!

Student Senate Appreciation Award:
Director Lorenz

Raymond French

Report of the Vice President

This weekend, I attended the Chancellor’s Strategic Planning meeting along with four other students. The meeting went well and we worked on planning the future of the University along with setting goals. The planning will continue throughout the summer and hopefully a full strategic plan will be in place by fall. Also, this week I will be traveling to Madison to attend a meeting for the UW System Commission on Campus Security that I was recently appointed to. The commission will be holding two meetings and then drafting a report to be sent to the Board of Regents for review. As this is our last meeting of the semester, I would like to take the time to thank everyone for all of their hard work this spring and wish everyone a safe and fun summer! I look forward to seeing everyone in the fall and good luck with finals!

Meghan Charlier

Report of the Chief of Staff

Welcome to the last meeting of the semester, I hope that everyone has a successful finals week, and a safe summer. Last week we had some problems with office hours, specifically, a large portion of the senators either didn’t do them or failed to report them on the board. I can understand that in the course of the week it is quite possible for people to forget to mark down their office hours, but it really doesn’t take that much to mark the board, so please be persistent in marking off your office hours. On another important note, you should all be aware that you need to start moving your things out of the student senate office, as at the end of finals week they will begin taking down the cubicles. The custodial staff has informed me that they will have boxes available for people to put their materials in; the boxes will be stored on upper campus during the summer. However, if you feel uncomfortable with this arrangement then you will need to take your belongings home with you over the summer or store them in your houses. It is very important that you clear out of your cubicle completely because when they begin construction they will be throwing everything away, including any documents you might have so make sure are out by the 18th of May. Good luck with finals next week!

David McCarthy

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORTS

Report of the Academic Affairs Commission Director

Thanks to everyone that showed up last week at the meeting! We had great discussion and I look forward to pursuing those topics more in the fall. I wish everyone a happy summer!

Aaron Wingad

Report of the Finance Commission Director

Our next meeting will be in the fall. We may need a few members from the commission to attend a meeting on campus this summer. I’ll contact you through email if the need arises. Have a great summer!

Thomas Holtan
Report of the Information Technology Commission Director

Last week was our last meeting of the year, but it was a productive one. We allocated surplus ITC funds to help the Library fund some new databases and explored the options available for online student voting. In addition, we decided to remove the installation restrictions currently in place on the rental laptops. The RIAA situation was discussed in length as well.

Aaron Brewster

Report of the Intergovernmental Affairs Commission

IGA met last week and discussed putting off making magnets for next "Good Neighbor Day" until next semester. We were also able to set up our meeting time for next year, which more members will be able to make.

Robert Hamill

Report of the Organizations Commission Director

The Organizations commission will not be holding any more official meetings this semester. Additionally, any constitutions, updates, reactivations or name changes recently received or received after today’s date that require the attention of the commission or extensive attention from myself may be held over until the beginning of the fall semester. Organizations Commission members, please continue to watch for and respond to any emails from me for the rest of this week as we have a few more items that may require your attention this semester.

Karen Sykora

Report of the Public Relations Commission Director

I’m requesting that you all tell me your shirt sizes. French and I will design and order them this summer. Additionally, many people have notified me about the word documents not working on the website. I’m unclear why there is inconsistency. They will all be converted to PDFs for simplicity. Also, there is now a legal services page on the website. Slow progress is being made.

Jacob Boer

Report of the Student Life and Diversity Commission Director

Happy late May Day! Take Back the Night on the 24th of April went well. Good luck on finals everyone! If you have any SLD related ideas for me to work on for the summer months, please get those to me as soon as possible. Thank!

Alison Perlman

Report of the Student Services Commission Director

Hello everyone. Our events for the year are winding down, but we still have two major events that we will need help with.

The first one is Don’t Dump It, Donate It, which will be happening on two separate days: Friday, May 18th and Monday, May 21st. It takes place in the Water St. parking lot and we will need volunteers from the senate to come help out for 1 hour shifts from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. If you have some free time on either of these days, please sign up!

Secondly, Student Services is running a move-out food drive in the dorms. We will need help each day of finals week picking up food from the collection points in the lobbies of each of the dorms and transporting it to the Towers lobby, where workers from Feed My People food bank will come to pick it up. This is not a large time commitment, but we will need people to help out each day during finals week. If you live in the dorms, please consider helping out with this!
Our meeting this week will be on Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in the Oak Room of Davies.

Good luck on finals!

Elizabeth Lorenz

Report of the University Activities Commission Director

Hope you all had a wonderful weekend! If you didn't know, THIS WEEK IS SPRINGFEST! There will be bands playing out on campus mall (or in case of rain... The Cabin) all week long from 11-1. Here is this year's line up:

Today was Quinn Elizabeth
Tues. is Irie Sol
Wed. is To Slay Zombie Newton
Thurs. is Chester Bay
Friday is Survive the Drive

At the Cabin this weekend both starting at 8pm is Local Talent Dacia Miller on Friday and Open Stage on Saturday.

Also on Friday is our final concert of the year featuring THE GUFS and opened by Julie Moffit and the winners from Winter Carnival's singer/songwriter competition Shane Leonard and Jack O'Connor. That concert will be held in the Council Fire Room and starts at 7:30pm.

This weekend's film running Thurs.- Sunday at 6 and 8:30pm is Half Nelson with Academy Award Nominee Ryan Gosling. Should be an amazing movie... check it out!

Melissa Briggs


For the next phase of the Wisconsin Needs H.E.R. campaign, we will be writing letters to members of the Joint Finance Committee asking them to support our cause. If you would like to write a letter explaining why Higher Education needs to be affordable, please notify me. Also, don't forget to contact if you are planning to attend the June General Assembly.

Elizabeth Schinke

Special Reports
None

Unfinished Business

Discussion of Bill 51-B-3, Continuing the Health Insurance Policy for the 2007-2008 Academic Year.

President French Moves to Amend:

- Line 18 Now Reads: “Students under 31 years of age and $905.00 to $996.00 for students 31 years of age and older”

- Line 21 Now Reads: “EOS+ preferred provider network”

- Line 24 Now Reads: “BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage, President French transmit”

Passed: 19-0-0

Discussion of Bill 51-B-4, Changes to the Constitutional Guidelines for UW-Eau Claire Student Organizations.

Chief of Staff McCarthy Moves to Amend:

- Attachment ‘A’ No. 9 Now Reads: “…that can only be consumed by members who are of legal drinking age”

Passed: 15-3-1

Discussion of Bill 51-B-5, Funding for Ice Cream Social and Promotion.

Passed: Unanimous Voice Vote
Discussion of Bill **51-B-6**, Implementation of Absentee Voting for UW-EC Student Senate Elections.

Passed: 18-0-0

Discussion of Student Dialogue on Science and Religion Constitution

Passed: Unanimous Voice Vote

**New Business**

Introduction of Resolution **51-R-9**, In Support of UW-Eau Claire’s Efforts Increase Awareness About File Sharing.

Passed: 18-0-0

Introduction of Resolution **51-R-10**, In Support of Alternate Smoking Location Outside of Hibbard Hall.

Passed: 17-0-1

**Personnel**

Student Services Commission-Health Services

Resign/ Koslov, David- Chairperson

University Health Issues Committee

Resign/ Koslov, David

University Activities Commission

Appoint/ Buechler, Billie Jo

Appoint/ Dieltz, Amanda

**Announcements**

President French: Make sure you are reading the emails I send you this summer

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm by President French.
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