General meeting minutes of September 17, 2007

Raymond French                 Meghan Charlier
President                             Vice-President

A regular meeting of the 51st Session of Student Senate was called into order at 6:00 pm on Monday, September 17, 2007 in the Tamarack Room, President Raymond French chairing and Secretary Emily Mattheisen being present.

The Pledge of Allegiance
Led by Senator Jambrek

Roll Call
See Attachment A

Open Forum
Councilman Buchanan- Introduction

Approval of Minutes from September 10, 2007
Approved

Report of the President

Good evening, everyone! I hope everyone recovered from our goal-planning last week and is starting to get excited about Student Senate. Thank you to those of you that stayed and were a part of the discussion. Keep your ears open for more information about that. After tonight’s meeting, at 8:00 pm in the Alumni Room, we have our Student Senate Open House with complementary sundaes for interested students. I hope everyone can attend, hopefully in their t-shirts, and join us and the Executive Board in recruiting members.

Another reminder: during next week’s Senate meeting, we will be visited by members from the Strategic Planning workgroups and the Special Assistant to the Chancellor, MJ Brukardt, for an opportunity to discuss initiatives brought up this summer. It will be a great chance for you, as representatives of the student body, to be involved in the process.

Vacancies: There is a chance that vacancies will be meeting by the end of this week, but the majority of work will happen next week. Be sure to tell your friends that if they want to get involved with Senate, the deadline is very soon for Senator applications!

Also, I ask that you pay attention in Vice President Charlier’s report regarding the proposed campus survey as well as in Chief of Staff McCarthy’s report regarding office hours. Both are very important!

Last and most important, a message from Colleen: GET YOUR PERSONNEL CARDS IN!!

That is all from me for now! Study hard and have a good week!

Raymond French

Report of the Vice President

Good Evening! I hope everyone has been having a great week. After the meeting last week, Ray and I decided to continue the idea of a campus survey. We will be creating a work group to organize and implement the survey. If you are at all interested in this, please let us know as we will be looking for nominations at the end of the meeting. Also, we have decided to run Chief of Staff McCarthy for...
Homecoming King. We have another homecoming meeting this Thursday at 8pm in the Eagles room if anyone is interested in attending. Also, watch for updates about the McCarthy campaign as we will be looking for help with posters and signs. Have a good week!

Meghan Charlier

Report of the Chief of Staff

Good evening,
The budget remains stable, besides the allocation that has been given for the new Student Senate Office computer; there have been no other major allocations. In other areas of interest, this week the office hours sheet will be going up in the office and I would ask that you please use it to mark down your office hours for this week. It is a very simple and easy process and I would ask that you please do it as it is important to have senators in the office to help with questions students might have. Also, the Office Hours format is changing this year. I have Spoken with the President and we have agreed that all regular senators must in conjunction with their office hour, this will be required and I will be keeping track of who does and doesn’t do this. Also this week, I will be setting up a list of all the individuals on senate with their contact information. In keeping with streamlining the communication of the Student Senate, I feel that this will allow senators to find the contact information they need in a much easier way than having to search for it online. This week I will also be updating the attendance folder which I use to report to the President and Vice President about who is attending their commissions meetings, so please attend your meetings, because I will be getting attendance reports from all directors. Finally, in the coming weeks I hope to have another contact list set up, this time with the contact information for important administrative personnel. This will further help to streamline communications within senate by having the contact information of important administrators readily available so that students don’t have to search for it. That is all for now, I remind everyone that tonight after the general meeting is the Student Senate Open House, where we show students who we are and what we do. I hope that many of you can attend as the more people we have there the more interest it shows there is within Student Senate.

David McCarthy

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORTS

Report of the Academic Affairs Commission Director

This week we will be recruiting members for all the Curriculum Committees. We will have meetings with administration to further discuss the issues brought up in the commission. We will not have a meeting this week until we are able to fill the committees. I'll talk with the current members one-on-one at their leisure. Have a great week.

Aaron Wingad

Report of the Finance Commission Director

The Finance Commission will be meeting the Wednesday at 5 p.m. in the Potawatomi Room. We will be assigning Budget Consultations at the meeting. We will also be further discussing the issue of special allocations. At this meeting casual dress is acceptable.

Thomas Holtan

Report of the Information Technology Commission Director

There will be a meeting of ITC in the Tech Conference Room of the Old Library on Wednesday, Sept. 19th at 3:30pm. The Student Senate S-drive is up and running, as are the Exec Board Email jumps.

Aaron Brewster

Report of the Intergovernmental Affairs Commission Director

IGA met last week for the first time and discussed liaison positions for this fall. Paige Overby will be filling the position for Third Ward Neighborhood Association liaison and Adam Sorelle will be filling the position of liaison to the Eau Claire City Council. IGA will be meeting every Tuesday at 1:00pm in the Clearwater Room. This week we will be working on Meet Your Neighbor Night, which will be held on Wednesday, October 10th.
Robert Hamill

Report of Organizations Commission Director

This week we will have our first Organizations Commission meeting. The meeting will be held tomorrow, Tuesday, September 18th at 5pm in the Senate Office. We will set a permanent meeting time at this meeting. Tomorrow's agenda includes many constitution reviews, application writing, I-Lead seminar updates, Executive Board Workshop updates, and of course, lots of fun. See you then.

Karen Sykora

Report of the Public Relations Commission Director

The Open House Sundae Social is tonight in the Alumni room. Posters and e-mails have been sent out and there appears to be a lot of interest. Hopefully the vacancies committee can expedite the applications and we will see a bunch of new faces next week. There is a bunch of stuff needed to be done for the website. I need to take pictures of everyone and people keep avoiding it. Let me know when it is good for you to have your picture taken. Don’t forget to get your t-shirt from McCarthy.

Jacob Boer

Report of the Student Services Commission Director

The Michael Noll memorial Run will be this Saturday! Registration starts at 9 am and the race is at 10. We will need student senators on hand to help with the event.

We will also be holding a pre-registration table on the campus mall this Thursday (20th) and Friday (21st) from 10 am until 2 pm each day. We will need people to sit at the tables and help with registration; please volunteer some time! Thank you! Have a great week!

Elizabeth Lorenz

Report of the University Activities Commission Director

Here comes another exciting week with University Activities. Last week we had a successful concert even though it was pretty cold out and our Exec Board is planning on having a retreat this Saturday in Higherground to discuss our goals for this organization in the next year! I hope everyone made out well at BOB, because I am excited to see what these fresh freshmen have to offer our organizations. With that said:

In the Cabin this weekend is Local Talent on Friday and Saturday, both starting at 8pm and going til 10pm. Friday is Jason Chambers and Saturday is TBA.

In Higherground this weekend we can’t get enough of CLUB MERCURY starting both nights at 10pm. Check it out!

The film this weekend is Shortbus. It is an unrated film brought to you by IFS. It is going to be very interesting. And AWESOME. It plays 6 and 8:30pm Thurs- Sunday for $3 in Davies theatre.

Homecoming is coming fast! Way to go Senate for taking initiative! VNL Auditions are the 23rd and 24th of this month, so if you’ve got talent or you know someone who does... be there and get your act on stage! There is an informational meeting this Thursday about the happenings of homecoming events and such at 8pm. Go if you want info.

Our general chair meetings are on Wednesdays at 5:45 pm... check with me for the room. And for all of the committee meeting times, I will have those for you next MONDAY!

Melissa Briggs


This Thursday students will be traveling to Madison to present Senator Decker and Representative Rhodes with postcards that were signed by UW-EC students last Tuesday. If you would like to be one of those lucky students who get to present the postcards on Thursday, please e-mail me at stusen60@uwec.edu.
Elizabeth Schinke

Special Reports
None

Unfinished Business
None

New Business
Introduction of Bill 51-B-7, Editorial Changes to the Bylaws.

Personnel

ON-CAMPUS SENATOR
Orr, Isaac- resigned

OFF-CAMPUS SENATOR
Lorenz, Elizabeth- resigned
Glass, William- resigned

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMISION COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
Nguyen, Phuong, Chairperson- resigned

FINANCE COMMISSION
Orr, Isaac- resigned

COMMENCEMENT COMMITTEE
Flanagan, Tyler, College of Business

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN
Wee, Caroline

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REVIEW BOARD
Lee, Chuo

FORUM COMMITTEE
Johnson, Jake

COUNSELING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Wee, Caroline

PARKING APPEALS BOARD
Flanagan, Tyler

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENTS
Erickson, Joel, College of Education & Human Sciences

SUPPORT SERVICE UNIT REVIEW OF CAREER SERVICES
Wingad, Aaron

INTERNAL AFFAIRS
Orr, Isaac- resigned
Sorelle, Adam- appoint

FINANCE COMMISSION
Orr, Isaac- resigned

CAMPUS SURVEY WORK GROUP
Buechler, Billie Jo
Brewster, Aaron

THIRD WARD NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION LIASON
Overby, Paige

EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LIASON
Sorelle, Adam

Announcements
Ice Cream Social tonight at 8pm

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:39pm by President French.

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