A regular meeting of the 55th Session of Student Senate was called to order at 6:03 PM on Monday April 2nd, 2012 in the Council Fire Room, President Phillip Rynish chairing the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance
Led by Burke

Roll Call
See Attachment

Open Forum
No one for open forum

Approval of the minutes from March 26, 2012
Minutes approved

Report of the President
No report submitted this week

Phil Rynish

Report of the Vice President
I have finished briefs on both the CASE and Spectator cuts that occurred in the Organized Activities FY 12-13 bill. These briefs will be presented to the Chancellor to supplement the case that both cuts, as voted on unanimously by the Student Senate, should remain in effect. Health Services discussions will continue throughout this week. Several of you have discussed some of the options that we currently face, if I have not talked to you yet please make sure to come see me as soon as possible so that we can discuss those options. I did attend United Council’s convention this past week and I am happy to report that although not every individual attended every workshop not a single one of us was arrested while there.
We will undoubtedly be evaluating whether or not Student Senate and the student body at large is actually receiving any benefit by funding the travel of representatives to these conventions. Anyone interested in discussing my experiences, both at this convention and all conventions I have attended throughout my 3 years on Senate, I would encourage you to do so.

*Mark Morgan*

**Report of the Treasurer**

This week I have talked to a few restaurants to figure out where we will be having our senate banquet. I will keep you updated as I figure out more details. Also, I would like to know how many of you are graduating and who is interested in getting senate cords for those of you who are walking. They will cost $5 and I will order them at some point in the next few weeks. Lastly, we will be having at least two more senate socials this semester, a barbecue towards the end of the year, and bowling next Wednesday at Wagner’s lanes. Let me know if any of you need a ride. I hope everyone has a great week!

*Paul Coates*

**Board of Directors Reports**

**Report of the Academic Affairs Commission Director**

No report submitted this week.

*Jacob Bernardy*

**Report of Finance Commission Director**

No report submitted this week

*Patrick Martin*

**Report of Information Technology Commission Director**

The Information Technology Commission met last week and voted on two special funding bills. They will be introduced to the Senate next week and voted the following week. We will not be meeting this Friday.

*Ben Krall*

**Intergovernmental Affairs Commission Director**

No report submitted this week

*Corydon Fish*

**Report of the Organizations Commission Director**

Hello all!
Last week the Organizations Commission had a meeting on Wednesday at 4pm, per usual. The commission discussed “good standing” and bylaws. We also looked at and voted on Student Organization
Opportunity Fund and reviewed constitutions that should be presented to senate in the next few weeks. This week, the Organizations Commission will be completing the legislation for bylaw changes regarding good standing and campus account requirements for organizations to be funded. Please attend the meeting if you would like input as this is very important to students and the future of funding through segregated fees. The Organizations Commission will be meeting at 4pm in the Clearwater on Wednesday, April 4th. Any questions, please contact me at Organizations@uwec.edu. In bylaws, revise the funding handbook, begin the timeline, and review and vote on constitutions.

Have a great week!

Jessi Van Natta

Report of the Public Relations Commission Director
Hello Everyone,
These next couple of weeks should be fairly relaxed in terms of opportunities for outreach. There will be some media releases that we will need to coordinate for the upcoming elections. If any of you would like to be a senator, turn in a petition by this Friday, April 6 by noon to the Student Senate office.
In the near future, we will be working on the "Don't Dump it, Donate it" event, so check your email for details mid-month. Thanks very much and enjoy the week!

Jennifer Talen

Report of the Student Life and Diversity Commission Director
Hello Everyone,
First of all, I would like to thank everyone especially our Commission members for their hard work in making the Oxfam hunger banquet a successful one. I am pleased to inform everyone that we had over one hundred participants and we have received many positive feedbacks about the program and great recommendations for the future ones.
Inclusive Excellence committee presented before the University Senate the Inclusive Excellence plan and the Affirmative Action officer Teresa O'Halloran will be joining us tomorrow at 11 for the commission’s input on the plan as it calls for many different aspects of inclusivity in the University. We will also be discussing the poster campaign and action steps as well.
SLD meets at 11 on Tuesdays at 11 in Maple Room of Davies Center.

Thanks,

Linda Lee
Report of the Student Office of Sustainability

Last week we voted to fund three new water bottle filling stations that will be installed by facilities. This week we will be voting on the Earth Week budget, which includes new water bottles, reusable grocery bags, and t-shirts. We will also be discussing in more detail the speakers and activities we will be having on the mall. A representative from Climate Action Now will be coming to speak about the May 5th Climate Impacts Day during the meeting tomorrow. Meetings are 5pm Tuesdays in the Alumni- anyone is welcome to attend!

Brittany Whited

Report of the Student Services Commission Director

This week Student Services will be meeting to discuss several upcoming events, including the Nightwalk, the Bar Walk, and the First Amendment Free Food Festival. We will also be discussing the progress of the Renting Guide. We will be meeting Tuesday at 4:15 pm in the Badger Room

Stephanie Mabrey

Report of the University Activities Commission Director

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

FESTIVALS

SpringFest Submissions

- Due by April 13th at 4:30 in the AIL Office (Davies 133)
- Submit demos to the AIL Office or to the chairs of the committees:
  - Rachel O’Neil (oneilr@uwec.edu)
  - Anja Meerwald (meerwaaf@uwec.edu)

HIGHERGROUND

Salsa²

- Thursday | April 5 | 8PM | Higherground
- Come learn to salsa with RHA and Two To Tango! You will also be able to taste different styles of salsas! Sponsored by RHA

Club Mercury Dance Party

- Friday | March 30 | 10PM | Higherground

Club Mercury Dance Party

- Saturday | March 31 | 10PM | Higherground
Special Reports

RHA Liaison Report
Applications for executive positions close Wednesday the 4th at midnight
Elections are the 11th of April
Virgin Bourbon Street won NRHH Educational program of the month!
Issues and Improvements- Plastic Bag Drive April 16th-17th 5-7pm
Multicultural Experiences-
Salsa2
Next Thursday, April 5th 6-9 pm at Higher Ground
Build your own salsa and learn to dance salsa!

Paige Lofald

Unfinished Business

A. Discussion of Bill 55-B-34, Terminating the Student Savings Club Discount Program, by Maybrey
   a. Move to amend editorial, Mabrey, second Krall
      i. Line 19 after affiliates insert “effective July 1, 2014”
         AMENDMENT PASSED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT
   b. Move to amend editorial, Mabrey, second Kahlow
      i. Line 21 after affiliates insert “in March 2013”
         AMENDMENT PASSED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT
   c. Move to amend editorial, Mabrey, second Lee
      i. Line 25 after membership insert “beginning with the fiscal year 2013-14 Student Senate General Operating Budget”
         AMENDMENT PASSED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT
      BILL PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

A. Discussion of Bill 55-B-30, Finance Commission Bylaw Revisions, by Martin
   a. Move to amend editorial, Martin, second Kahlow
      i. In section 7.09 after the first Organized Activity insert “in the campus media supplemental services categories”
      ii. In the first bullet point in section 7.09 after Commission all insert “available”
      iii. In section 7.11.1 delete “or Student Organization”
      iv. In section 7.11.1 after Organized Activity delete “shall” and replace it with “may”
         ALL EDITORIAL AMENDMENTS PASSED BY UNAINIMOUS CONSENT
   b. Move to amend, Bernardy, second Heaton
      i. Leave 7.03.2 as it was without the changes
         AMENDMENT PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE 15-14
   c. Move to amend, Van Natta, second Fishbeck
   d. Move to withdraw amendment, Van Natta, second Coates
      BILL PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

B. No other Unfinished Business
New Business

B. Introduction of Bill 55-B-35, Qualifications to be Defined as “Good Standing” for Organizations
   a. Tabled until next week
C. No other New Business

Personnel Matter

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE
Schmitz, Michael, Chair
Kust, James
Lee, Linda
Sias, Matthew

Announcements

None

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm by President Phillip Rynish.

Minutes submitted by Emily Mertens, Secretary
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