A regular meeting of the 54th Session of Student Senate was called to order at 6:01 PM on Monday, February 21st, 2011 in the Council Fire Room, President Dylan Jambrek chairing the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance
Led by Phil Rynish

Roll Call
See Attachment

Special Presentation
There was a presentation on Places4Students, an online service for looking for off-campus housing.

Open Forum
Erica Wolf: Advocacy Field Organizer. The first weekend in April is the Building Unity Conference. April 15-17 is the election of the Board of Directors. Also, United Council is calling for a “Week of Action” in Madison.
Steven Kahlow: RHA Liaison. The WURHA conference was this past weekend. SLED conference may be hosted by UWEC next spring. The HuHot fundraiser is still going on until the end of February. They are working on making changes to the student escort service to make it more of an on-call service to save costs for the few people that use the service. Finally, there have been too many complaints about mail box stuffers in on-campus housing so they will now use an email instead.

Approval of the minutes from February 14th, 2011
Minutes approved with no changes.
**Report of the President**

I was in Madison from Tuesday until Sunday working with United Council staff and students as well as many other people down in Madison to defeat the budget repair bill. As you have presumably heard the bill would severely impact the take-home pay of our faculty and staff as well as eliminate most collective bargaining rights for public employees. Other things that are happening in Madison include the biennial budget, the Governor has gotten an extension from the legislature until March 1, but we can expect significant cuts, a raise in tuition, and apparently the spin-off of UW-Madison from the system, making them a separate public authority. As a UW System Student Representative I have drafted a letter and seeking co-signs from my colleagues, and am drafting a resolution in opposition to this separation for next week. I didn’t get to announce the Senator of the Week last week as we suspended reports, but it was Director Jessi Van Natta, and this week is Gregory Hoffman.

*Dylan Jambrek*

**Report of the Vice President**

Hello Everyone-

I will be putting together a working group regarding self-operated food service. Please contact me if you are interested or have any questions. Thank you.

*Phil Rynish*

**Report of the Chief of Staff**

Everyone at the University is invited to join the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Kiva team! Kiva’s mission is to connect people, through lending, for the sake of alleviating poverty. Kiva empowers individuals to lend to an entrepreneur across the globe through microloans to encourage a global community with support and encouragement of one another. Our team Kiva page is located at [www.kiva.org/team/uwec](http://www.kiva.org/team/uwec). Please help us grow our team by joining! No donation or loan is required to be a member.

For this week’s service hour, senators will be joining the team and inviting their friends to join the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Kiva team as well!

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns at any time!

*Sarah Tweedale*

**Board of Directors Reports**

**Report of the Academic Affairs Commission Director**

*Meets Wednesdays at 3:00 pm in the Oak Room*

Academic Affairs Commission will be meeting this Wednesday at 3pm in the Student Senate Office. We will be discussing the proposed changes to the Differential Tuition Bylaws as well as criteria setting.
Mark Morgan

Report of the Environmental Endeavors Commission Director
Meets Tuesdays at 1 pm in the Potawatomi Room

Last week we discussed
- Green fund disbursements
- Project assessment
- Review AIESEC Quick Green

This week we discussed
Project Assessment using Org Sync
- Discuss Earth Day/week plans
- Climate Action Plan/GHG inventory

All meetings this semester will be in the Potawatomi Room.

Ben Ponkratz

Report of the Finance Commission Director
Meets Wednesdays at 5:00 pm in the Potawatomi Room

We will not be meeting this week as we have no special allocation requests.

Jacob Kampen

Report of the Information Technology Commission Director
Meets Tuesdays at 3:00 pm in OL1122

Hello everyone,

Last week ITC started crafting our student body-wide technology use survey. This survey will assess current technology, as well as future needs with a focus on mobile apps.

This week ITC will be hearing a partial funding request for OrgSync by Activities and Programs.

Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Matt Sias

Report of the Intergovernmental Affairs Commission Director
Meets Thursdays at 4:00 pm in the Clearwater Room

The Intergovernmental Affairs Commission met this week and discussed the upcoming elections and the commission’s plan to get the students to vote. The Commission also discussed its plan for the state budget, but that is not a priority until the budget is officially released.
The Intergovernmental Affairs Commission will meet this week on Thursday at 4PM in the Clearwater Room.

Ben Krall

**Report of the Organizations Commission Director**

*Meets Tuesdays at 2:00 pm in the Oakwood Room*

Hello everyone!

Last week, the Organizations Commission met and took upon the main task of dividing the sections of the upcoming funding handbook that will help any and all organizations applying for funding. It will tell them how to apply, where to go, what the forms look like, the reasons for funding, and have information for any resources they may need.

If you have any suggestions of other topics to be covered in the handbook, please let me know!

This week, the commission will be looking over constitutions, discussing more about the tasks to be done with the handbook and any other business that arises.

The Organizations Commission will be meeting at 2:00pm on Tuesday in the Oak Room.

Thank you and have a great week!

Jessi Van Natta

**Report of the Public Relations Commission Director**

*Meets Fridays at 2:00 pm in the Wisconsin Room*

We did not have a meeting last week, so there is not much new to report. We are looking into table tents for promoting the Student Savings Club and Renting Guide. We are also looking into some plastic cars for the Student Savings Club-we are working on price quotes. Also, the Senatorial has been completely booked with ads the last two weeks and will be this week!

Nick Hogan

**Report of the Student Life and Diversity Commission Director**

*Meets Fridays at 12:00 pm in the DRC*

Hi everybody-

Student Life and Diversity is working with Selika Ducksworth and a few students on Black History Month. Right now we are promoting Tone Poem-a discussion of African American culture and gender using literature, music, oral testimony, and history. It is a student forum next Monday from 12-1 pm. This coming Thursday and Friday, I will be at the UW System Conference: Civility in Everyday Life at UW Oshkosh. So, there will be no SLD meeting this week, but I will be in touch with my commission via email. If you have any questions, please email me.

Thanks,

Allie Shilling
Report of the Student Services Commission Director

Meets Wednesdays at 4:00 pm in the Eagle Room

Hello everyone-

This week we discussed a new idea called the Night-walk program—a safety walk taken as a group to discover different campus safety concerns. We will look to hold this sometime in April. We also discussed the attendance policy, Places4Students, promotion ideas and a possible partnership with UW Health. Look for a neat triangular table tent coming out at the beginning of April in Davies to promote the Student Savings club, the Renting Guide Survey, and Places4Students. Meetings are at 4 PM in the Eagle Room! Thanks!

Chrissy Duszyński

Report of the University Activities Commission Director

Meets Wednesdays at 6:00 pm in the Eagle Room

Cabin
- Featured Performer **Derek James**
  - Thursday | 8PM
  - Friday | 11:30AM and 8PM

Films
- International Films Society Presents: **Restrepo**
  - Thursday-Sunday | February 24-27 | Davies Theatre | 6PM & 8:30PM | **FREE**

Higheground
- Tuesday | February 22: **Smart Renting Seminar**
  - 7PM | **FREE**
  - Off-campus renting info from the people that know, including: Rental Resources, ECPD, ECFD, EC City Attorney | Great Info & Prizes!
- Thursday | February 24: **Karaoke**
  - 8PM | **FREE**
- Friday & Saturday | February 25 & 26: Club Mercury Dance Party
  - 10 PM | **FREE**

Kristi Basa

Special Reports

There were no special reports.
Unfinished Business
There were no special reports.

New Business
Introduction of Bill 54-B-38, In Support of the Adoption of Places4Students by Mabrey

1) Move to suspend the rules and vote on this tonight by Mabrey, second by Goyette
   Passed by unanimous consent
2) Editorial Amendment
   Change the title from “In Support of the Adoption of Places4Students” to “Adopting of
   Places4Students”
   Passed by unanimous consent
3) Move to amend by Mabrey
   In line 26, change (Attachment “A”; and to (Attachment “A”); and

   BILL PASSED by VOICE VOTE

Introduction of Bill 54-B-39, Special Allocation to Athletics for Hobbs Arena Ice Time by Kampen

1) Move to suspend the rules and vote on this tonight by Kampen, second by Krall
   Passed by unanimous consent

   BILL PASSED by VOICE VOTE

Personnel Matter
FINANCE COMMISSION
Duffy, Tim

ENVIRONMENTAL ENDEAVORS COMMISSION
Borofka-Webb, Isaac, resigned
Johnson, Matthew

PARKING APPEALS BOARD
Eberlein, Ben, resigned
Wenzel, Mitchell, resigned
Ponkratz, Benjamin
Opitz, Melissa

STUDENT MASCOT COMMITTEE
Rynish, Phillip

Announcements
Shilling-There is still an opportunity to run in Saturday’s hussel! Just show up and you will be able to run.
Duszynski—Everyone is invited to my birthday celebration at Green Mill tonight.

Kust—EC took first in last weekend’s state forensics competition.

Rynish—The intramurals basketball team is currently 3-1.

Ponkratz—AIESEC’s regional conference will be held in EC this weekend. It is AIESEC’s first green conference.

Krall—Congratulations to Senator Miller for being appointed as the State College Democrat chair.

Jambrek—Next week, Phil’s 21st birthday is on Monday, so plan accordingly!

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 pm by President Jambrek.

*Minutes submitted by Melissa Opitz, Secretary/Webmaster*
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