General meeting minutes of April 26, 2010

Michael Umhoefer                        Amber Bredl
President                                 Vice President

A regular meeting of the 54th Session of PRESIDENTS ROOM, President Michael Umhoefer chairing the meeting, and Secretary Casey Driscoll being present.

The Pledge of Allegiance

Led by President Elect Dylan Jambrek.

Roll Call

See Attachment

Open Forum

Patricia Kliene gave a thorough introduction to the result of the Blugold Commitment, now a regular part of the Differential Tuition budget. There are 3 main divisions for the money: Financial Aid, Provost Initiatives and Dean Proposals. A lot of resources are going to rework the GE requirement.

Beth Hellwig spoke in favor of tonight’s 54-R-01 regarding the need for a university Non-Academic Misconduct Policy. In her many years of experience she has seen several severe cases of alcohol abuse, and would like a policy in place to support those students.

Jake Johnson I have had a wonderful time in Student Senate and it was definitely one of my best experiences at UW-EC. I will be doing an internship in Washington D.C. and will miss everyone!

Personnel Matter

See Attachment

Approval of Minutes from April 19th, 2010

Report of the President

Michael Umhoefer

Report of the Vice President

Hello Everyone,

First and foremost I want to welcome all the new Senators to Student Senate and the new 54th session of Student Senate. It is a great honor and privilege to be a student representative and I hope you all enjoy the next year to come. If anyone ever has any questions about how senate functions feel free to stop by the senate office or come by and ask Michael and I any questions. We are here to help you in any way we can!

Also I want to congratulate Dylan Jambrek and Phil Rynish as becoming President and Vice President elect. It will be a great 54th Session of Student Senate.
The issue of the meal plans and providing declining option for freshman is still being discussed. Vice Chancellor Hellwig is in the process of getting us some information on how University Centers runs the Dining Services and their budget. When I get that information I will update the senate. With that I hope you all have a great week!

Amber Bretl

Report of the Chief of Staff

No report submitted

Adam Sorelle

Special Report of the Parliamentarian

How Elections went: Due to the low amount of contested seats, the election week was overtly lax. There were a few mix ups. Monday Morning I discovered the card-readers were never set up properly. This was fixed within about an hour. The second day, it was discovered that the email regarding absentee ballots was never sent out from the CIE office. Jodi then sent out said email. It was not determined where the exact breach in communications occurred, but fault is not being put on anyone.

Thanks to 53rd session senators Dybevik, Doyle and Brewster for their extremely hard work at the polls.

As outgoing parliamentarian, I am going to impart some basics of procedure, just so the new senators can survive the next few weeks.

In short, you must be recognized by the chair to speak. We have this pad of paper used for such purposes so you can get on the list to get recognized. If you want to ask a question regarding the proper procedural channel to do something, you can raise your placard and shout “Point of Parliamentary Inquiry.” You will then be recognized before you can ask your question. If you want to ask a question in general, do the same but say “Point of Information.” Finally, if you feel someone is out of order, call out “Point of Order” wait for recognition and then declare what you think the infraction is. This should hold you over until the new parliamentarian is picked and instated.

Brian Stauber

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORTS
Report of the Academic Affairs Commission Director
Meets Tuesdays at 10:00 AM in Birchwood Room

No report submitted.

Adam Sorelle

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

Finance met and approved the special allocation from Visual Arts and the bill is before you.

Finance will NOT be having any more meetings as my only non-senators are now Senators - congratulations - and I'm not comfortable holding meetings. The bank is closed.

I encourage anyone interested to join Finance, it doesn't get as much PR or be as sexy as the Blugold Commitment but it's a 3.8 million dollar budget and is still the best commission.

Dylan Jambrek

Report of the Information Technology Commission Director
Meets Mondays at 2:00 PM in OL1122

We heard a one-hour presentation from Google to demonstrate Apps, their free service made available to universities. The service seemed impressive and beneficial to students so ITC moved for LTS to aggressively investigate the idea.

After meeting with Housing last week, moved 4-0 to modify the one-time $20,000 allocation to a 10% of project cost contribution, capped at $30,000.

We also moved 4-0 to fund the library’s one-time request of $3200 and continuing request of $3153 to
fund the transfer and maintenance of the library’s Voyager system.

Jacob Kampen

Report of the Intergovernmental Affairs Commission Director
Meets Mondays at 4:00 PM in Birchwood Room

IGA unanimously supported a resolution in favor of online voter registration for Wisconsin residents. This week's meeting is at 10:00am Thursday in the Clearwater Room. Pat Kreitlow and Kristen Dexter will be on campus on May 4th so we're trying to establish an open table discussion time with them.

Katelyn Kufahl

Report of Organizations Commission Director
Meets Wednesdays at 3:15 PM in Oak Room

The Orgs Commission will be working on a new lit drop policy. Members, both new and old, should look for an email regarding this. This email will most likely serve as the meeting for the week.

Phillip Rynish

Report of the Public Relations Commission Director
Meets Mondays at 4:00 PM in Clearwater Room

PR commission met this week to discuss pr for Don't Dump it; Donate it. There is also a new edition of toilet talk out this week. We hope to see old senators and new senators next week at PR commission Monday at 4pm in the Clearwater room.

Cassidy Brandt

Report of the Student Life & Diversity Commission Director
Meets Mondays at 3:00 PM in the DRC

No Report this week.

Davendra Raj

Report of the Student Services Commission Director
Meets Tuesdays at 3:15 PM in Clearwater Room

Hello everyone! Welcome and congratulations to all new and returning Senators! Our main focus for this week is to finish stuffing the flier bags for Don’t Dump It; Donate It so that next weekend we can distribute them around student housing areas in Eau Claire. Join us for the last few meetings we have remaining on Tuesdays at 3:15 in the Clearwater Room. I look forward to seeing you all there!

Sarah Tweedale

Report of the University Activities Commission

Please see attached.

UAC Programming Director,

Emily Fiedler


United Council is HIRING! If you are a graduating and looking for a job, you should check out www.unitedcouncil.net

The positions are a full-time Communications Director and full-time Inclusivity Director. UC is also hiring a seasonal electoral field organizer for the election next fall.

For those STILL in school, elections for President, Vice President, Secretary and the Board of Directors will be at the June Convention in Parkside. Those wanting to run need to submit a letter of intent to Executive Director Nicole Juan before they can begin any campaigning. Her email is ed@unitedcouncil.net

Have a great week!

Ben Klingenberg

Report of the Webmaster

Hello everyone,
Over the past week, I have gotten the website all set to go for the 54th Session. Additionally, a page is now online for the Don’t Dump It; Donate It event: http://www.uwec.edu/StudentSenate/eventsservices/dontdumpit.htm

As always, if you have any questions, comments, or suggestions, please contact me!

Matt Sias

Special Reports

Davendra Raj All of you have received several invites to the Dean of Students Search and Screen. Please, it is very important as student leaders that you are there. Make time to make an appearance!

Unfinished Business

No Unfinished Business.

New Business

Introduction of Bill 54-B-1, Special Allocation for Student Senate for the Student Court by Dylan Jambrek.

Introduction of Bill 54-B-2, Special Allocation to Visual Arts by Dylan Jambrek.

Introduction of Bill 54-B-3, In Support of a Student Tenant Protection Policy by Sarah Tweedale.


Motion to Divide the Question by Paydon Miller
Second by Phil Rynish
FAILED BY PLACARD VOTE 14-16-1

Motion to Amend by Casey Driscoll
Second by Phil Rynish
PASSED BY PLACARD VOTE 29-0-1
AMEND Attachment “A” Paragraph 3 Bullet 2 : STRIKE “and when staff feels the student may be a danger to themselves and/or has been a disruption in the living environment and to other students.”

Motion to Amend by Mark Morgan
Second by Casey Driscoll
PASSED BY PLACARD VOTE 27-0-2
AMEND Attachment “A” Paragraph 3 Bullet 2 : REWRITE “When a student’s behavior poses a serious risk to the health, safety or well-being of themselves or staff members have tangible evidence that a student’s behavior would pose said risk.”

Motion to Amend by Phil Rynish
Second by Paydon Miller
FAILED BY ROLL CALL VOTE 5-24-1
DO NOT STRIKE Attachment “A” Paragraph 3 Bullet 1

Motion to Amend by Mark Morgan
Second by Allie Shilling
FRIENDLY
AMEND Attachment “A” Paragraph 3 Bullet 1 : REWRITE “Only when there is an alcohol or other drug violation that results in a sanction of University probation, or with previous signed consent of the student in question; or”

PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE 29-1-0

Introduction of Resolution 54-R-2, In Support of All Students Having Access to Declining Meal Plan by Sarah Tweedale.

Motion to Table Indefinitely by Sarah Tweedale
Second by Phil Rynish
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

Introduction of Resolution 54-R-3, In Support of Wisconsin Online Voter Registration.

Motion to Table until next week by Jacob Kampen
Second by Phil Rynish
PASSED BY PLACARD VOTE 22-5-0

Introduction of Blugold Active Living and Learning (BALL) Constitution by Phil Rynish.
Introduction of Forward Momentum Constitution by Phil Rynish.

Introduction of Vegetarian Society Constitution by Phil Rynish.

Motion to Suspend Rules and Pass all 3 by Unanimous Consent by Allie Shilling
Second by Casey Driscoll
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

Announcements

Ben Ponkratz Thank you for your help with the Sustainability Showcase, it was a big success. We still have shirts for sale in the senate office: 1 for $10 or 2 for $15.

Jodi Thesing-Ritter There will be an on campus Blugold Beginnings tour for fifth graders on May 4th and 5th. If you would like to help, we could use group mentors!

Dylan Jambrek Directorship applications are due this week Thursday. Also, please turn in your purple sheets for your commission choice.

Casey Driscoll Check out the Neighborhood Bar & Walk this Friday from 9 PM to 1 starting at Haas. It is basically a sober pub crawl, and we will walk from area houses to bars and observe the drinking environment.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 p.m. by President Michael Umhoefer.

Minutes Submitted By
Casey Driscoll

54th SESSION STUDENT SENATE
APPOINTMENT LIST
APRIL 26, 2010

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Meetings held in Badger Room on Wednesdays at 5:00pm

Cabin
- **Wednesday, April 28th**: Jazz at Night

- **Friday, April 30th**: Featured Artist – **Will Hutchinson**
  - Shows are FREE & begin at 11:30am & 8pm

- **Saturday, May 1st**: Featured Artist – **Will Hutchinson**
  - Show is FREE & begins at 8pm

Concerts
- **The White Tie Affair**
  - Friday, May 7th in Council Fire
  - Doors open at 7pm
  - $7.00 with Blugold ID; $10.00 without
    - Tickets sold at the Service Center in Davies

Films
- **This Thursday through Sunday**, April 29- May 2: **Brand Upon the Brain!**
  - Shows at 6pm & 8:30pm in Davies Theatre

Higherground
- **Thursday, April 29th**: **Open Jams!**
  - Begins at 7pm
  - Instruments provided, but are encouraged to bring 😊
  - Come jam or come to just listen!

- **Friday, April 30th**: **Club Mercury Dance Party** begins at 10pm

- **Saturday, May 1st**: **Hawaiian Beach Party Dance** begins at 10pm
  - Wear your flip-flops, swimsuit, and Hawaiian threads
  - Come before 11pm & get lei’d! 😊

*For more information, please visit our website: [www.uwec.edu/studentsenate/uac](http://www.uwec.edu/studentsenate/uac)*

**UAC Programming Director,**
**Emily Fiedler**