



A regular meeting of the 63rd Session of Student Senate was called to order at 6:00 PM on Monday November 18th, 2019 in Dakota Ballroom I, Room 1614, President Johnson chairing the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

63rd Session Roll Call – 11/18/2019

Executive Board

Title	Name	Status (Present, Absent) (P, A)
Vice President	Anna Ziebell	P
Parliamentarian	Riley Rakoweicki	P
Chief of Staff	Justin Schilling	P
AA Director	Travis DuChene	P
CA Director	Alex Kurutz	P
Communication Director	Alyssa Pake	P
ESM Senate Director	Stephanie Hoeksema	P
Finance Director	David Miller	P
ITC Director	Joe Murphy	P
IGA Director	Austin Gulbrandson	P
SOS Director	Lauren Becker	P
UAC Director	Carter Rush	P
Mascot Coordinator	Luke Schowalter	P

On-Campus Senators

Name	Status
Angelo, Annika	P
Donovan, Franny	P



Hicks, Brenden	P
Langer, Kayde	P
Luloff, Grace	P
Meier, Joel	P
Phillippi, Trenton	P
Stoutenburg, Mary	P
Yonker, Hannah	A

Off-Campus Senators

Name	Status
Buttafuoco, Jaclyn	P
Chapman, Lucy	P
Flottemesh, Eddie	P
Kalwitz, Taylor	P
Kappel, Keisha	P
Keiffer, Gwen	P
Kulich, Caleb	A
McKinley, Macie	P
Raatz, Hunter	P
Smith, Erin	P
Spittlemeister, Sophia	P
Vue, Pazoua	P
Wagner, Michael	A

Executive Board

Title	Name	Status
President	Charles Johnson	P



Presentation

Entity	Topic
N/A	

Open Forum

Entity	Concerns
Annie Titus	History of Diversity at UW-Eau Claire
Director DuChene	Computer Science Task Force Committee

Approval of the minutes from 11/11/2019

Minutes approved by unanimous consent.

REPORT: President – Charlie Johnson – johnsoch0968@uwec.edu

I hope last week proved to be a productive one for you all. This week is back to business as there are a number of lunches and meetings I will be attending. I will also be taking this time to start taking a deeper look at homeless week and the current hours of the library. Later this week I hope to meet with Councilman Gragert to discuss possible solutions to the housing situation facing thousands in the surrounding neighborhoods. I also hope to meet with either Jill Markgraf or Mike Carney to discuss ways in which we can adjust the library hours to better meet the needs of students. Finally, tomorrow I hope to finalize the arrangements for an additional open forum on the Computer Science department to help in bringing an end to the current situation.

This past weekend, I, along with Vice President Ziebell, attended the American Student Government Association Conference where I was able to hear from a number of speakers discussing topics surrounding mentorship, inspiring knowledge, and communication tactics. It was a very informative conference and I hope to start implementing some of what was learned within Senate over the coming months. One thing I want to mention now was what Mr. Rasheed Cromwell referred to as a gift and a curse, being talented and overextended. We are about to enter the period of the year where life becomes incredibly stressful, we feel overloaded and as if there is always something taking up our time. This is where I would like to say, that at the end of the day it is ok to take a step back from Senate and focus on other areas in life; everything will continue to function normally and it will probably increase productivity.



REPORT: Vice President – Anna Ziebell – ziebelam7502@uwec.edu

Hi everyone and happy Monday! Last week, President Johnson and I met with Dean Pierce and discussed student engagement, especially surrounding off campus students and the continued discussion with Mayo Clinic and mental health on our campus. Chief of Staff Schilling and I held the Legislation Writing Workshop last Tuesday and due to the low turn out, are planning to host another one after fall break. As many of you know, President Johnson and I were out of the office at a student government conference in Los Angeles, so there was little that happened Student Senate wise. Earlier today, we held our monthly meeting with Provost Klein. Tomorrow I will be attending a lunch with Regent Karen Walsh and will be attending another meeting with Mayo and other administration around the mental health topic on Wednesday. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out! Have a wonderful rest of the week and with that I yield.

REPORT: Chief of Staff – Justin Schilling– schilljp5377@uwec.edu

Hello everyone, I have a pretty short report for you all this week. Last week I held a few senator check-in's. Just a reminder that I have available times for check-ins posted next to my office. If any of these times don't work for your schedule, please send me an email or see me any time to schedule a time that works! Unfortunately, Internal Affairs was cancelled on Thursday. However, we will be this Wednesday at 6pm!

REPORTS: Board of Directors

Academic Affairs Commission Director – Travis DuChene – duchentl0349@uwec.edu

This week was very busy for academic affairs. In the Academic Policies Commission last Tuesday I was informed that the Department of Public Instruction changed state laws that would affect all education majors. Instead of allowing students to receive an emphasis in a topic, they will now only be able to receive a one track generic comprehensive major. I have a meeting with the head of the education department to discuss this topic. A lot of my week was planning for the Academic Affairs Commission Open Forum for Computer Science which was supposed to take place in December. However, late Wednesday night I was notified that Dean Freitag was holding an open forum on Friday for computer science students. At that point, I felt it was necessary to create a Computer Science Task Force underneath the Academic Affairs Commission which would focus on improving the computer science program in the long run and the short run. The task force has five members who are computer science students and then me. We attended the open forum on Friday and were pleasantly surprised that a little over 250 students showed up. Dean Freitag explained that the university was having financial issues that originated back to the budget cuts of 2014-2015. This limited the number of faculty that departments could hire. At the same time, the computer science department had a high turnover of faculty that resulted in the four professors that the department currently has. This has resulted in a decrease of the quality of



education for students because their class sizes are too big, their assignments aren't being graded in a timely matter, they can't attend office hours because there are too many students per faculty person, and courses aren't available for students to take because a limited number of offerings. The task force has created a Facebook page, UWEC Computer Science Task Force Committee, which will be posting updates about the computer science program. We have also met with Jack Tan and plan on meeting with the Provost later this week.

Student Organization Commission Director – Alexandra Kurutz – kurutzac8842@uwec.edu

Hello everyone I hope you are having a nice Monday! Last week for SOC we approved a handful of new organizations and are getting ready to advertise our funding workshops. Those workshop open houses will be December 3rd 11-12 and December 4th 12:30-1:30 located in the student organization complex. Last week the commission voted in approval on bill 63-B-4, creating the student organization redistribution fund system, which I will be introducing tonight. Lastly, SOC will be discussing bringing back the org of the month and will be looking into changes we would like to make to the criteria. That's all for now and I yield.

Communication Commission Director – Alyssa Pake – pakeac6048@uwec.edu

Hello everyone, this past week Chief of Staff Schilling and I wrote a bill for the proposed logo. Also, this week's Senator of the Week is Michael Wagner.

Equity in Student Matters Senate Director –Stephanie Hoeksema – hoekses15575@uwec.edu

Equity in Student Matters Director Report November 18, 2019

- Last week, I attended University Senate to witness the discussion and voting of a resolution regarding improving retention for faculty, staff, and students of color on campus
- The ESM directors had the first check in with the Dean of Students on what the commission has been working on this year and what we will continue working on
- I started a resolution in support of the Hibbard Penthouse as the Latinx Cultural Center last week that I hope to have finished to vote at the next Senate meeting
- Last Friday, the ESM directors met with the Director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs to discuss getting access to the Tier 1 EDI professional development training and the resolution in support of additional support for the office of services for students with disabilities
- Earlier today I attended a meeting with EDI staff about student EDI trainings that will hopefully be launched next Fall
- This week I will be finishing up the resolution in support of the Latinx Cultural Center, a bill of ESM by-law edits, and continuing other different ongoing projects.



· The Equity in Student Matters Commission will meet tomorrow at 5 pm in Centennial 1916 and I invite all of you to come!

· Just a reminder that the Student Senate Safe Space Training will be this Sunday from 1-3 pm in the Menominee room of Davies

Finance Commission Director – David Miller – millerda6329@uwec.edu

Last week, the finance commission met to discuss potential projects for our operations account balance. I will be meeting with a few different organizations and departments in the next couple weeks. Trenton and I wrote the Organized Activities Budget bill last week that I will be introducing tonight. Last week I met with Intramurals and Recreation to review their budget planned for next year. I will continue to meet with non-allocable organizations in the next few weeks.

Information Technology Commission Director – Joe Murphy – murphyjc9595@uwec.edu

ITC had a great meeting this morning, we talked about the future of general access labs and the direction the university is going, updates to the library's movie equipment, emergency phones on campus, and more. We'll be back next week with a resolution for the body, and I hope to see everyone then.

Intergovernmental Affairs Commission Director – Austin Gulbrandson – gulbraaj0414@uwec.edu

Last week, on Tuesday, members of IGA tabled for voter registration.

On Wednesday, members of IGA attended the 3rd Ward Neighborhood Association and represented students; thank you to those of you who attended.

On Friday of last week, the Neighborhood Association Summit took place, with representation from most neighborhood associations in town – there are 15 of them. The old ones helped the newer associations, and good times were shared all around. Thank you to those of this Student Senate body who attended; even if I did not talk to you there, I knew you were there and I appreciate you.

This week, IGA is meeting with the Eau Claire Transit Development Plan to talk about the changing coming to public transit in the area.

IGA meets weekly on Tuesday at 6pm in the Pine Conference Room (220K).

Student Office of Sustainability Commission Director – Lauren Becker – beckerle2606@uwec.edu

Good evening all, in the interest of time and efficiency - I'm going to list off what initiatives/projects our commission is currently pursuing. If one of the initiatives peaks your interest or you'd like to hear more updates on it - please ask a question here within the body or send me an email.

- Campus-wide composting - promising, internal conversations with Facilities, Tony Rongstad, our Facilities Sustainability Analyst is our new contact.



- First Year Experience Waste & Sustainability Web Training - we've received a green light from administration. Our team will begin conversations tomorrow regarding a time-frame for story boarding.
- Climate Anxiety and Grief Group Counseling - I'll have a meeting this Friday with the Director of Counseling Services to discuss this potential collaboration.
- Archivist Intern hiring for the Wintrim - We're looking at hiring a student intern to document and organizing the past S.O.S. initiatives/proposals, as well as interview our current advisor.
- Energy Dashboard - we had a tremendous meeting, began work on our charter. You should be seeing some collaborative legislation from ITC and SOS soon.
- Sustainability & Climate Task Force - With the direction of the Chancellor, our commission, as well as key staff, faculty, and administration are forming a task force to create a resiliency plan for our institution regarding the Climate Crisis.

- SustainUWEC Events Series - We're still going strong - with the film "The Human Element" being shown in the Woodland currently - in collaboration with the Eau Claire chapter of Citizen's Climate Lobby.
- Communications Intern - We'll be starting to advertise again for an opening for our Communications Intern position - as our wonderful Liz Sproul will be graduating this December.
- Tomorrow evening our executive board will be attending the first hour of the WiSys Sustainability Mixer that's being held by the Researchers & Innovators Club from 5pm til 8pm. This will allow us to speak on the challenges and projects our team is currently working on.

Those are my updates for this week. I'll attempt to stick to this format in the future so you all can see a clear progression on these projects. Please reach out if you'd like to see a copy of our budget/allocations so far - or if you have questions.

University Activities Commission Director – Carter Rush – rushc5625@uwec.edu

Hello UAC, the Cabin show for Friday is Joseph Hunt, and the Saturday show will be another Open Mic Night. The signup sheet is posted outside of the Cabin so go signup. There is no film this weekend but the videos from the 7 Day Video Project will be playing on Saturday in collaboration with Geek Con. So go check those out at 1pm. UAC Late Night will be hosting Turkey Archery on Friday from 7-10pm in the Environmental Adventure Center in Hilltop. The Chancellor's Roundtable for this week has been canceled because of a surprise visit from the UW-System taking place during that day. The topic and food will remain for the December roundtable and the date of that one is still in discussion. Lastly, I will be out of the office all of next week, but I will have regular access to my email so if you have any questions about UAC please feel free to reach out to me or talk to Joann Martin in the AIL office. Thanks and have a good day.



REPORT: Special

Mascot Coordinator – Luke Schowalter – [@uwec.edu](mailto:lschowal@uwec.edu)

Blu has a pretty slow week. Blu did Blugold Friday, and attended the last football game. We also received the new suit. I also held a meeting with all of the performers to chat about expectations, new events for Blu, and assign athletic events. Have a great week!

Unfinished Business

Bill or Resolution	Title	Status	Vote Method
N/A			

New Business

Bill or Resolution	Title	Status	Vote Method
63-R-16	In Support of Multifactor Authentication for Students	19-8-2	Roll Call Vote
63-B-3	Cabin and Concerts Bylaw Change	Introduced; Tabled for Two Weeks	
63-B-4	Creating the Student Organization Redistribution Fund System	Introduced; Vote 11/25	
63-B-5	Adopting the New Student Senate Logo	Introduced; Vote 11/25	
63-B-6	Adopting the 2020-2021 Organized Activity Budget	Introduced; Vote 11/25	

Personnel Matter

Appointed or Resigned (A/R)	Name(s)	Entity(ies)
N/A		

Announcements

Person	Topic



Director Hoeksema	Safe Space Training; Menominee Room, Davies Center; 1-3pm
Director Becker	Report of the Student Office of Sustainability
Director Kurutz	Open House Funding Workshop; Dec 3rd 11am-12pm; Dec 4th 1-2pm
Senator Langer	Indigenous Film Series; Nov 20th, Woodland Theater, 5-8pm; Indigenous Buffet; Dulany Inn; Nov 21st, 1pm Guest Speaker; Nov 21, 5pm Closing Ceremony; Dec 2, CENN 1108; 5-6pm
Senator McKinley	Wrestling Dual vs. UW-La Crosse; McPhee; 7pm
Senator of the Week/Executive Spotlight	Randomized process
Director Miller	Finance Open Forum; 9-11am; LOC: TBD
Director DuChene	Computer Science Department Support and Outreach
Director Gulbrandson	CEEP Fellowship opportunity
Chief of Staff Schilling	Senator Check-In times posted
Parliamentarian Rakowiecki	Eau Claire Transit meeting sit-in student
President Johnson	Los Angeles Leadership Conference; Suspension of Reports not to be used to shorten meeting

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:53PM.

Note: Roll Call Vote

Legislation: 63-R-16

Senator Status	Name	Vote
Vice President	Ziebell, Anna	A
On-Campus	Angelo, Annika	Y
On-Campus	Donovan, Franny	Y
On-Campus	DuChene, Travis	Y
On-Campus	Hicks, Brenden	Y



On-Campus	Langer, Kayde	N
On-Campus	Luloff, Grace	N
On-Campus	Meier, Joel	Y
On-Campus	Pake, Alyssa	Y
On-Campus	Phillippi, Trenton	N
On-Campus	Schilling, Justin	Y
On-Campus	Stoutenburg, Mary	Y
On-Campus	Yonker, Hannah	Y
Off-Campus	Buttafuoco, Jaclyn	N
Off-Campus	Chapman, Lucy	Y
Off-Campus	Flottesmesch, Eddie	Y
Off-Campus	Gulbrandson, Austin	N
Off-Campus	Kalwitz, Taylor	Y
Off-Campus	Kappel, Keisha	Y
Off-Campus	Keiffer, Gwen	N
Off-Campus	Kulich, Caleb	
Off-Campus	Kurutz, Alex	Y
Off-Campus	McKinley, Macie	Y
Off-Campus	Miller, David	Y
Off-Campus	Murphy, Joe	Y
Off-Campus	Raatz, Hunter	Y
Off-Campus	Rush, Carter	Y
Off-Campus	Smith, Erin	Y
Off-Campus	Spittlemeister, Sophia	N
Off-Campus	Vue, Pazoua	N
Off-Campus	Wagner, Michael	
President	Johnson, Charles	A



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President	Johnson, Charles	

Minutes submitted by J. Schilling, Chief of Staff