



*A regular meeting of the 65th Session of the Student Senate was called to order at 6:00 PM on Monday November 8th, 2021, in the Dakota Ballroom of the Davies Student Center, President Mikoulskii chairing the meeting.*

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

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Led by: Adler Kranich

### **Land Acknowledgment**

“I/We acknowledge that the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire occupies the sacred and ancestral lands of Indigenous Peoples. I/We honor the land of the Ojibwe and Dakota Nations.”

### **65th Session Roll Call – 11/8/2021**

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#### **Executive Board**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Status (Present, Absent)</b>
		<b>(P, A)</b>
<b>Chief of Staff</b>		
<b>AA Director</b>	<b>Elizabeth TenBarge</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>ESM Senate Director</b>	<b>Mengcha Moua</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Finance Director</b>	<b>Nick Johnson</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>ITC Director</b>	<b>Stuart Scamehorn</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>IGA Director</b>	<b>Bailey Carruthers</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>SOS Director</b>	<b>Maddie Loeffler</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>SOC Director</b>	<b>Brenden Hicks</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>UAC Director</b>	<b>Brett Farmer</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Mascot Coordinator</b>	<b>Zach May</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Parliamentarian</b>	<b>Adler Kranich</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Communications Director</b>	<b>Yoshi Gaitan</b>	<b>P</b>



**On-Campus Senators**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>Denison, Anakah</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Gómez, Rosa</b>	<b>A</b>
<b>Krysheski, Tanessa</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Long, Alicia</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>McGuine, Sydney</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Heap, Brad</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Ivaturi, Manushri</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Noyes, Eddie</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Holness, Josh</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Yang, Lan</b>	<b>P</b>

**Off-Campus Senators**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>Barreyro, Drake</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Delehanty, Ravi</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Dravis, Drew</b>	<b>A</b>
<b>Weerts, Zach</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Wolff, Jacksen</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Johnston, Emma</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Shanahan, Avery</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Ross, Steven</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Loff, Katie</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Bartle, Alex</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>Janssen, Jaylen</b>	<b>P</b>



<b>Packard, Emma</b>	<b>P</b>
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### Executive Officers

<b>Title</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>Vice President</b>	<b>Schilling, Justin</b>	<b>P</b>
<b>President</b>	<b>Mikoulskii, Jaden</b>	<b>P</b>

### Presentation

<b>Entity</b>	<b>Topic</b>

### Open Forum

<b>Entity</b>	<b>Concerns</b>

### REPORT: President – Jaden Mikoulskii

Hello all! This past week I had around six hours of meetings regarding spaces on campus, and funding options for different projects. This includes greater support for students of marginalized identities. I did intensive work with commissions on specific projects and how they will wrap up their semesters. I lead Internal Affairs for a several hour meeting this weekend as well as on Friday. We look forward to having bylaw changes presented to you for initial review by the end of December.

### REPORT: Vice President – Justin Schilling

Hello all and happy Monday! Last week was a very quiet week for me, only consisting of director check-in's and a quarterly auxiliary assessment report meeting. This week will consist of another Auxiliary Budget Report meeting for Recreation, as well as a few meetings for updates on current projects. I would, however, like to address something pertaining to you all. As we all know, a group of students held an anti-mask rally in the campus mall last week. I would like to express my severe disappointment in how several members of this body reacted to this. Whether you agree with a certain view or not, it is not your job, nor your place, to mock and ridicule your fellow students (of whom you were elected by, or who vested the power in the President and myself to appoint you). Bipartisanship looks like many things, but it



does not look like belittling those you represent simply because you don't agree with them. Student advocacy has no political party- like it or not, you represent even those who hold the views you disagree with. Further, it's quite ironic to me that many of you voiced concern in the Senate Survey about the climate and culture of this organization, but then took the opportunity to shame the beliefs that several of your colleagues hold as well. Again, I am very disappointed in how members of this body reacted to that protest. You sit in these seats as a representative of students- not to advocate for your own self-interests.

**REPORT: Chief of Staff – N/A**

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**REPORTS: Board of Directors**

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**Academic Affairs Commission Director – Elizabeth TenBarge**

Hello all. I hope you are having a wonderful Monday! This past week we canceled AAC as I was still recovering from my illness, but I am more than excited to start up AAC again and begin working on some long-term initiatives that will hopefully carry over into next semester. I do not have much else to report for this week, with my absence taking me away from some of my responsibilities but be looking for the BCDT committee to be starting up soon! Please email me if you are interested in joining the BCDT committee and I will make sure to put you on the email list! We will be hosting our open forum soon, so be looking for that information as we start planning. Thanks all, I would be happy to answer any questions!

**Communication Commission Director – Yoshi Gaitan**

Hello Beautiful Bugolds! Happy Trans Awareness Week! I hope everyone had a safe and great weekend! Comms is going to be going full steam ahead this week. One, we will be having Director Spotlights and Senator Office Hours Posted this Week as well as our regular Meeting Updates! I want to make sure that our office hours are getting the attention they deserve, as they serve as a direct line from senator to our peers! So make sure that you are going as Tanessa will be collecting data from each and every senator's office hours so we can post it. Please keep a lookout for an email from the Communications Commission email tonight and respond ASAP! Besides that, we will also be posting our Senator Spotlights by the end of this week. What does this mean? This Senator will be highlighted for the work that they are completing and be posted in the Senatorial, on our bulletins as well as on our socials! We are hoping to stay busy and get some work done before fall break! I hope to see you all at our meeting this week on Wednesday in the Pine Room 220K at 11 am that is Hybrid (Remember) where we will be talking about how we want to reenvision our office hours as well talk about make a plan about a display that we want to use to better show off our senate. Like always stay safe, drink some water and take care Bugolds

**Equity in Student Matters Senate Director – Mengcha Moua**

Hello, everyone! ESM had a slower week last week, but progress was made on some projects we have for November! Senator Holness has been communicating with ITSC to find a time for ESM to come and talk with the members to learn more about how we as a senate can support the Native American Students on our campus. We plan to attend their meeting on Wednesday night, please feel free to join if you would like! Commission member Rian Jones is reaching out to Veteran Students she knows in collaboration with myself meeting with Veteran Services to discuss ways that we can support Veteran students. Having a history of not really engaging with veteran students, I hope the planned meetings we have next week will give us more perspectives to consider in the future! Director Rosario has been busy in OMA this past week gathering different ideas on how ESM can do better with outreach to students of marginalized



identities as well as learning more about the future and plan for the orgs in OMA in the future. Director Rosario and I have also met to hopefully find more ways that she can be more active with this senate body in general, so hopefully you all will get to see her more often moving forward! I hope everyone has a wonderful week and I welcome any questions you might have!

**Finance Commission Director – Nick Johnson**

Good evening, everyone. Last week the Finance Commission heard from Student Office of Sustainability Director Loeffler regarding the FY 22-23 allocation for the Green Fund and discussed a resolution in support of researching alternative revenue streams for Organized Activities. Following discussion, the resolution was withdrawn for revisions. This week, the Finance Commission will resume discussion of the legislation as it has been resubmitted for consideration. This week the Finance Commission will also be hearing a presentation from Vicky Thomas, the Director of Services for Students with Disabilities, regarding a potential special allocation for hiring a limited-time staff member. I will speak more about this next week, but the Finance Commission will also be scheduling Organized Activity appeals hearings for the 16th and 18th of November. Once the appeal presentation schedule is finalized that information will be relayed to all of you lovely people.

**Information Technology Commission Director – N/A**

Hello everyone! My report this week will be short. We did not have an ITC Meeting last week, as I have been working through my transition materials, and preparing for my first meeting this Friday. However, the University Senate Technology Committee had a meeting this past week. There, we talked about amending the committee's membership language to include representatives from the library, Barron County campus, and LTS, as those groups have previously not been represented in the committee to any degree. Additionally, we heard from the Archival Department within the Library regarding Digital Asset Preservation, which involves scanning and digitizing records currently being kept within the University Archive.

**Intergovernmental Affairs Commission Director- Bailey Carruthers**

This past week in IGA we fostered great discussion on one of the most frequently mentioned items within the past 5 IGA Legislative Priority Summaries, but perhaps the most overlooked, University Counseling Services. This institution has had long-established obstacles with Counseling Services, including long intake wait times, lack of transparency, and a lack of counselors with training in assisting marginalized identities, and these issues were only heightened in the wake of COVID - 19. As of October 18, 2021, the next available appointment for intake, which is defined as those seeking counseling "for first-time clients or returning clients who have not been seen in more than 90 days," is the middle of December. This is a huge disservice for students, through segregated fees in their tuition payments, pay for a service that they do not have access to. Within the Fall 2021 LPS, under Mental Health and Counseling Services Advocacy, Objective I., it states that the commission will "Advocate for and increase awareness of mental health issues and resources on and off-campus." This objective garnered a new initiative within the IGA Commission: formulating and creating resources of third-party non-university affiliated counseling and therapy to be made available to UWEC students. Within IGA last week, we discussed the creation of this list of both in-person and online therapy, with a special distinction of any that offer student rates, what insurance plans they take, and if they have any specialized practices, whether for those of marginalized identities or following cases of extreme circumstances. There has been debate on how this resource will



be offered to students, whether through this body, through advertisement, through word of mouth on a case-by-case basis, or through the Counseling Services website. The Commission will review the resource list at our upcoming meeting and continue the discussion and decide how this resource will be made available to students. As detailed last week, I recently was reached out to by the UW-Stevens Point Legislative Liaison who would like to organize a UW System-wide lobbying trip in early March for all shared governance. I have received more information on the logistics of this trip, and the role that this body would play within the trip, and have informed President Mikoulskii, Vice-President Schilling, and Program Manager Stephanie Pyykola, and will discuss if this trip is feasible with them at a later date. I have now scheduled weekly meetings with Dean Pierce, Stephanie, and members attending the Winter Advocacy trip to begin more decisive and comprehensive planning of the event and will update this body soon. Many legislators and their offices do not begin scheduling meetings 2 months if not 1 month before the date it will occur, so creating meetings at this time is becoming more difficult than expected. When the trip draws nearer, I will have more compiled information to share with you all.

**Student Office of Sustainability Commission Director – Maddie Loeffler**

The SOS passed two proposals at last week's commission meeting. One is for SOS merch to promote and market the commission, as well as to do a giveaway on social media which you are all welcome to participate in when the time comes. Keep an eye on our Instagram for a chance to win either a hat or hoodie designed by Shay, one of the SOS interns. The other proposal will subsidize student tickets for the BANFF Mountain Film Festival, which will take place on both Monday, December 6th and Tuesday, December 7th. Tickets are on sale on the Pablo Center website and will be \$5 for students instead of the \$20 that community members will pay. The DECI Internship application is currently open! Find it on Handshake or using the SOS Instagram. We plan to send an email soon with application information to different related academic departments and student organizations. Applications for this position close on November 15th. This week, the SOS Commission will be hearing from Parking & Transportation about potential EV charging stations on upper campus and having a subsequent discussion about it. We will also be hearing a proposal introduction for LED lighting and electrical upgrades for the Intersectional Women's Center. I also have an update from the BluBox program. The reusable containers are on their way, and though originally it was supposed to begin in early November, the new prospective start date is December 6th, which will provide IMC and administration time to inform the campus community. Finally, the SOS is partnering with Women Uniting and Fighting and CampusCup to provide free menstrual products to any UWEC student who signs up. Stop by the booth at Davies on November 11th or 18th from 10am to 1pm or sign up using the [signup link](#). This will be promoted on the SOS social media and hopefully the Student Senate socials as well.

**Student Organization Commission Director – Brenden Hicks**

Hi all. I hope you had a safe and relaxing weekend. Last week in SOC, we discussed methods on how we would like to proceed with the funding of our university wide platform implementation. We did not come to a conclusion about how the funds would be obtained, but we narrowed it down to a few options. Additionally, we discussed how we are going to proceed with our student segregated fee funding workshops. This year we are opting to host 2 presentations throughout the semester for those to come and get more information on the process. If you have any questions, please let me know.



**University Activities Commission Director – Brett Farmer**

Good evening, everyone! This past week, UAC had a very successful and eventful week, showing four well-attended screenings of Barb and Star Go to Vista Del Mar, a well-attended Open Mic Friday night, and a cabin concert Saturday evening by Miles Boulevard. Thank you to all our performers, to EPC and usher corps for helping out, and to anyone who attended our events last week. This coming week, we don't have much going on. The fall film project, Film in a Fortnight, is in full-swing and the submission deadline is one week away, closing next Monday, November 15th. If you are still interested in submitting an entry in this two-week film project competition, it is not too late, just email us, reach out on social media, or contact our Films chair, Maya Frodl. Finally, regarding Film in a Fortnight, if you are interested in viewing the films, rather than creating one, we are excited to announce that this year we are partnering with GeekCon, thanks to Rob Mattinson, a long-time supporter of UAC's film projects, to show all submitted projects at on December 4th from 12-1 pm. Additionally, this week we will be opening applications for a few UAC chair positions on Wednesday November 10th until December 1st. We will be hiring two Festivals chairs, who would organize our three campus-wide festivals, Homecoming, Winter Carnival, and Springfest, as well as one Concerts chair, who will organize our semesterly, large-scale concerts, similar to our Tai Verdes concert last month. These positions will be replacing to of our amazing current chairs, Jack Stewart and Dani Farr, who both have several semesters of great work under their belt, so feel free to reach out to myself or either of them for more information! This weekend, there will be no Cabin Concerts of film showings in Woodland due to the Gatsby Gala. As always, you can find event information and updates on the UAC Facebook or Instagram, @uwec.uac, and if you have any questions at all, you can always ask me directly, email me at any time, or attend my office hours on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Thank you all so much and I hope to see you at UAC events very soon. I yield.

**REPORT: Special**

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**Mascot Coordinator – Zach May**

Hi everyone. Blu went to UW-Madison last week with Chancellor Jim to celebrate the UW-System wide success in the 70 for 70 vaccination campaign. To my knowledge, this is the first time Blu has left the Eau Claire area, and I was glad that Blu was able to experience UW-Madison. Also, Blu went to our final football game of the season and went to the Women's Volleyball playoff game as well. This week, Blu will go to the NCAA tourney this Thursday to support the team, as well as going to Men's hockey on Saturday. As more projects, I've been thinking of some ways to get Blu's social media more active (mainly TikTok and Instagram) so if you have any ideas, please find me during my office hours (Tues/Thursdays; 11-12pm) or email [Stusen66@uwec.edu](mailto:Stusen66@uwec.edu). Thanks, and I yield.

**Housing Coordinator – N/A**



**Unfinished Business**

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<b>Bill or Resolution</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Vote Method</b>
<b>65-B-1</b>	<b>Subsidies for Off Campus Composting Through Earthbound Environmental Solutions</b>	<b>Passed</b>  <b>Amendment I:</b> <b>Under section labelled “Assessment”, in Attachment A:</b> “Replace the word ‘students’ with “All students in each household  <b>Amendment II:</b> <b>Under section labelled “Assessment”, in Attachment A:</b> “Add “student status will be verified using read receipts or another mechanism” between the words “status” and “Earthbound”.  Both Amendments Passed.	<b>Placard Vote</b> <b>24-2-2</b>

**New Business**

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<b>Bill or Resolution</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Vote Method</b>
<b>65-R-17</b>	<b>In Support of Including Action Item in Recognition Legislation</b>	<b>Passed</b>	<b>Placard Vote</b> <b>24-0-2</b>
<b>65-R-18</b>	<b>In Support of Transgender Awareness Week and Transgender Day of Remembrance</b>	<b>Passed</b>	<b>Placard Vote</b> <b>25-0-2</b>



**Personnel Matters**

<b>Appointed or Resigned (A/R)</b>	<b>Name(s)</b>	<b>Entity(ies)</b>
R	Steven Ross	Dining Committee
R	Maddie Loeffler	Internal Affairs Committee
A	Brenden Hicks	Dining Committee
A	Yoshi Gaitan	Internal Affairs Committee
A	Josh Holness	Finance Commission Voting Member
A	Alicia Long	Finance Commission Voting Member
A	Mengcha Moua	Finance Commission Voting Member
A	Brenden Hicks	Finance Commission Voting Member
A	Eddie Noyes	Finance Commission Voting Member

**Announcements**

<b>Person</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Zach Weerts	CIGE Application Open to Students
President Mikoulinskii	Winterim Sociology Enrollment Opportunity
Nicholas Johnson	Finance Commission Room Change
Zachary May	Increasing Engagement with Blu's Social Media
Yoshi Gaitan	All Gender Clothing Swap in the Bridge
Elizabeth TenBarge	BCDT Explanation

**Adjournment**

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Meeting adjourned at 8:43PM.

**Note: Roll Call Vote**

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**Legislation: 65-**





