



A regular meeting of the 65th Session of the Student Senate was called to order at 6:00 PM on Monday November 15th, 2021, in the Dakota Ballroom of the Davies Student Center, President Mikoulskii chairing the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

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 – 11/15/2021

Executive Board

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



On-Campus Senators

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

Off-Campus Senators

Name	Status
Barreyro, Drake	P
Delehanty, Ravi	P
Dravis, Drew	P
Weerts, Zach	P
Wolff, Jacksen	A
Johnston, Emma	P
Shanahan, Avery	P
Loff, Katie	P
Bartle, Alex	P
Packard, Emma	P



Executive Officers

Title	Name	Status
Vice President	Schilling, Justin	P
President	Mikoulskii, Jaden	P

Presentation

Entity	Topic
Kim Way, President, UW- Eau Claire Foundation	Sonnentag Complex Updates

Open Forum

Entity	Concerns

Approval of Meeting Minutes from: 11/8/21

Minutes approved unanimously.

REPORT: President – Jaden Mikoulskii

This past week, I had my regular check-ins with Directors, Dean Manning, Dean Aleks Sternfeld-Dunn, and Chancellor Schmidt. There was a presentation from UW System Legal this past Friday regarding allocation of Student Segregated fees, which I hope you'll review as individual members of Senate. I held a few additional meetings regarding hiring a new Mascot Coordinator and Housing Coordinator. I attended the Finance Commission Meeting, as well as the Intergovernmental Affairs Commission Meeting. Director Moua and I had a productive meeting with the Director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs, Dang Yang, regarding Student Senate's role in supporting marginalized students in a more tangible manner. I made further movement with Internal Affairs this Sunday as we solidified our review process of Executive position descriptions. Finally, I participated in the University Centers Advisory Council this morning, where we discussed space allocation and missions of the Davies Student Center.



REPORT: Vice President – Justin Schilling

Hello all. Last week, the President and I had our monthly check-in with the Chancellor, as well as with the Dean of the College of Education and Human Sciences. We discussed the many challenges that face our students during their student teaching, clinical, and internship semesters, focusing mainly on what we as an institution can do to aid them financially, as these semesters leave little room for full or part time jobs. Additionally, I was able to help out my good friend Blu at the Volleyball game last Thursday. Finally, I chaired the Internal Affairs Commission in place of President Mikoulskii last Friday. This week will consist of my regularly scheduled check-ins with Directors, Vice Chancellor Felz, the Provost, and Vice Chancellor Crickette. In addition, I'll also be meeting with the Associate Dean for the College of Education and Human Sciences, Dr. Prushiek, to discuss the TEPAC Committee initiatives for this semester. Have a great rest of your week and remember to take care of yourselves as our semester begins to draw to a close!

REPORT: Chief of Staff – N/A

REPORTS: Board of Directors

Academic Affairs Commission Director – Elizabeth TenBerge

Hello all. I hope you are having a wonderful Monday! This past week we had our AAC meeting and discussed research fair possibilities, Gold for Blugold website, and R1 Rubric work. I was able to follow up on all of these projects and although possibly taking a different path than we planned, I am excited for AAC to continue to pursue this projects. Our Academic Affairs Open Forum will be taking place during the week of the 29th, with specific times to come soon. Please come with any academic feedback or concerns and we will try to address them. Thanks all, I would be happy to answer any questions!

Communication Commission Director – Yoshi Gaitan

Hello Beautiful Blugolds! Happy Transgender Awareness Week and Native American Heritage Month! I hope everyone had a safe and great weekend! Comms has been busy recently, we have started our Director Spotlights, Senator Spotlights (That are being included in our Senatorial so make sure that you respond to the email concerning Senator Spotlights as soon as you can please!), updating our Bulletin Boards and working on media for Transgender Awareness Week. We are spotlighting Office Hours so please, again if you have not turned those in please get them in! Like always stay safe, drink some water, and take care, Blugolds.

Equity in Student Matters Senate Director – Mengcha Moua

Hello, everyone! I hope you all had a great weekend! Senator Holness and I met with ITSC last week and discussed potential changes to our campus that they would like to see as well as some changes we would like to see. Some things we discussed were changing the way and acknowledgments are used and read. Not only would we like to see the Land Acknowledgment moved before the pledge in our own meeting agendas, ITSC would also like to create a useful guide that would teach people how to customize their land acknowledgments to better suit events so that there is more intentionality behind the words. We also



discussed how we can move forward with successfully incorporating smudging practices into our residence halls. Last week, ESM Member Rian Jones met with some Veterans students to discuss how we can support them as a commission and student senate as a whole. I have yet to touch base with Rian but we also plan to meet with Veteran Services this week to ask and discuss the same questions, so stay tune for updates next week! These are projects that ESM as a whole will be taking on as we move forward and I invite any and all of you to join in on these efforts as well! We are always looking for more members to expand our outreach and help us work more efficiently! Director Rosario led our ESM meeting last week and received updates on the before mentioned projects as well as planned out future regularly occurring events for next semester. Along with that, Director Rosario started ESM's social media pages and has also started planning ways to bring the Students of Color Series back as a regular event that the commission hosts. After we hear back from one final org in OMA as well as a few other marginalized groups on campus, we will be ready to start these critical conversations on campus through the Students of Color series which, with the wonderful suggestions of our commission members will be renamed to be more inclusive. Director Rosario will keep us all updated as more progress is made. I hope you all have a wonderful rest of your week and I welcome any questions!

Finance Commission Director – Nick Johnson

Good evening, everyone. Last week the Finance Commission heard a Special Allocation proposal presentation from Vicky Thomas, the Director of Services for Students with Disabilities. Deliberations concluded with a vote in the affirmative for the Special Allocation. Next week I plan on introducing a bill regarding the proposal as Special Allocation expenditures must be approved by the Student Senate General Assembly before funds are made accessible. This past week I also attended several advisory board and auxiliary budget meetings marking the beginning of the non-allocable budget process. On Friday, I attended a presentation on 820 policy and the usage of Segregated Fees to get the perspective of UW System Legal on some of the issues that have been raised this session. This meeting provided clarity on 820 Policy, as well as provoked thoughtful questions from members of the Student Senate. Moving forward this body may have to adjust to a more constrictive application of 820 policy. This week, the Finance Commission will be holding two meetings to accommodate the schedules of the Organized Activities that are appealing their allocations for the next fiscal year. This supplementary meeting also gives the Finance Commission an opportunity to review the Organized Activity Budget Bill. Ideally, this bill will be submitted in time for its introduction before fall break. I will now take questions if you have any

Information Technology Commission Director – Stuart Scamehorn

Hello everyone! This past week I held my first meeting as the ITC Director, where we covered questions regarding the Student Technology Survey that is still in the works. I also met with Kent Gerberich, the LTS Director, regarding the potential paths towards a laptop program at Barron County, including the funding aspects and potential concerns that might be raised regarding the program. We also discussed the rollout of the Transact Mobile Credentials Program, and I received a very tentative schedule for that. Currently, LTS is lining up the technical side of the initiative, including procuring the different physical resources needed for this program. That process should wrap up sometime in late December to early January. LTS is then planning a soft opt-in launch of the program in the Spring Semester in order to beta test it and resolve any potential issues before releasing it to the campus as a whole. Currently, LTS is eyeing next Fall for a full rollout of the program. Students are still required to obtain a physical Blugold ID, and are still able to use them in addition to the new mobile credentials. This is currently the plan for



the next few years, as completely phasing out physical IDs requires conversations that are at least a few years out at this point. If anyone has any questions, please feel free to reach out!

Intergovernmental Affairs Commission Director- Bailey Carruthers

Hello Everyone, I apologize for my absence this evening; I have been called into an emergency academic meeting. However, there has been much development within IGA and the LPS and I want to keep you all in the loop of what's going on. This past Friday you should have all received an email containing a Spring Lobbying Trip Interest Form. Following last week's questions about my report, and to perhaps garner more responses instead of individual emails, I created a Google Form for you all to fill out. This survey is not entirely binding, but I wanted to create a space where people can share their thoughts, ideas, and questions with me in one streamlined manner. Due to the intense planning that would be required for this trip, the form will close on Tuesday, November 30, 2021. I will be placing reminders in my reports to ensure we receive as much response as possible. Please fill out this form at your earliest convenience. Even if you are unsure if you want to go, or are not interested in any capacity, any response is much appreciated. Last week in IGA I brought forward the Counseling Resources sheet that I had created, and the commission discussed how to disseminate it. After a vote of 4-0-1, The official proposal is as follows:

- Reach out to R. McGrath to discuss a potential partnership of Counseling Services, Student Senate, and the IGA Commission of this initiative.

- Work with Counseling Services to provide this resource on their website and in-person, citing it as an alternative for those that would like to be seen sooner.
- Draft and disseminate a counseling resources sheet through 3 facets, online websites, social media, and physical print.
- Include Counseling Services but provide other therapy services, indicating those with specialized catering to those of marginalized identities.
- Provide Counseling Services resources at the conclusion of the media of the immediate crisis services offered.

I reached out to Director Riley McGrath of Counseling Services last Friday and am happy to report that Counseling Services is willing to partner with us on this initiative and include the resources both in-person and on their website. In the coming weeks, we will be working on creating this material with the Communications Commission to have prepared shortly following Fall Break. Last week I also worked with Stephanie and Dean Pierce to discuss revisions to the Winter Advocacy trip, met with President Mikoulinskii to discuss the hire of a new Housing Coordinator, began a new initiative with the library and the Rest Nest, and spoke with Jake Wrasse about the beginnings of the IGA Commission. Finally, I want to commend Intern Long on all the work that she has been doing this semester. In just the past few weeks she has met with Vice-Chancellor Diaz to discuss EDI on campus and ways to expand, is working with Director Johnson to dissolve the \$80 fee for ADHD screening, and has been assisting me with the planning of two large events. I am so proud of all the work she has been doing and couldn't have asked for a better intern. Keep up the good work. I believe that is all I have, so for any questions about my report or what I've been up to this past week, please reach out to me via email.



Student Office of Sustainability Commission Director – Maddie Loeffler

Hey fellows. At this week's SOS Commission meeting, we talked about the potential for Electric Vehicle (EV) charging stations in a to-be renovated towers parking lot. We also heard a proposal introduction for the LED lighting and electrical upgrades for the Intersectional Women's Center. We'll be hearing a reintroduction for the Intersectional Women's Center and resolution introductions at our meeting this Wednesday. I attended a meeting on Friday in which someone from UW System Legal explained the restrictions of 820 and 822 policy on seg-fee spending and the Green Fund specifically. I was surprised to hear that, despite more liberal interpretations of the policy I've heard from other UW schools, we are heavily restricted in what we can spend money on. Because of this, the SOS is looking into what our role is and how we can move forward. I've also been working on edits to the SOS position descriptions in the bylaws. I will be bringing this to the SOS Exec Board this week for feedback from them and to discuss any changes they'd like to see regarding their positions. With changes at the campus level and for the SOS this year, our positions are bound to change as well. Look forward to seeing these changes proposed to you all in the next few months. Speaking of SOS Exec Board positions, our Communications Intern and Design Intern are graduating this semester, so we are hiring! The application will be open until Wednesday, December 10th at 11:59 pm and interviews will take place during the following week. If you'd like more information, feel free to reach out to me, or our current Communications and Design Interns. The application is on Presence and will be posted on our social media soon, as well as sent out in an email tomorrow. We will also be posting on social media about the Excellence in Sustainability Honors Cords for December graduates, as well as tickets for the BANFF Mountain Film Festival that will take place on December 6th and 7th at the Pablo Center. Tickets for students, subsidized by the Green Fund, will be \$5 each. Speaking from experience, this film festival is definitely worth attending! Finally, the BluBox Program implementation team is looking for volunteers to help with token distribution and information tabling. You will all be receiving a SignUp Genius link from me in the SOS commission meeting email tomorrow. These signups can count toward your office hours! Additionally, if you sign up for two shifts you can potentially become the new owner of an SOS waste team tee-shirt! Have a great fall break, don't fall prey to consumerism, and stay healthy. I yield.

Student Organization Commission Director – Brenden Hicks

Hello all. I hope you all had a safe and relaxing weekend. Last week SOC decided on a few more pieces of information that we would like to see in our presentation that will be presented eventually. We also voted on the reallocation of InterVarsity's Segregated Fee's, and decided to pass it through, to include funding for food for their retreat. Finally, myself, Brad, and Sara Thommesen attended a meeting with Vice Chancellor Crickette and Kent Gerbrich regarding the implementation of a new platform for the university. This discussion is making great progress and we will be following up with Kent soon. This week SOC is cancelled due to our Seg Fee presentation on Wednesday, which you all received an email for. Please refer to those emails for more information. If you have any questions, please let me know.

University Activities Commission Director – Brett Farmer

Good evening, everyone! This past week, UAC had a pretty uneventful week due to Gatsby's Gala, only continuing to promote our two-week-long film project, Film in a Fortnight, and opening our application for four new Committee Chairs on Wednesday. Since our application is open (now until December 1st on Handshake), I thought I would give some context to the many of you who are relatively new to Senate. So



for those of you who may not know, UAC is made up of five committees, Concerts, Festivals, Films, Late Night, and Public Relations. We are currently hiring for two Festivals Committee chairs and one Concerts Committee chair, and both of these positions are paid and can expect anywhere from 4-10 hours of work depending on the week. Festivals chairs are in charge of coordinating the three campus-wide festivals throughout the year: Homecoming, Winter Carnival, and Spring Fest, while the Concerts chair would be in charge of planning our semesterly large-scale concerts. Both positions are also in charge of running committees and working with committee chairs, as well as attending UAC exec board meetings, and meeting with myself and the UAC advisor Joann Martin weekly. If you are interested in either of these positions or just coming a member of one of the five committees, which, might I add, fulfills your commission requirement as a senator. Coming up for UAC this week, we are getting back on track to our typical weekly schedule, with Moose Lucas performing in the Cabin Friday at 2:00 pm as well as WestKorea on Saturday at 6:00. We are also showing our final film of the semester, The Hunt for the Wilderpeople, at our four typical showtimes, Friday at 7:00, Saturday at 2:00 and 7:00, and Sunday at 2:00.

REPORT: Special

Mascot Coordinator – Zach May

Blugold Friday, Blu watched our volleyball team win both tournament matches on Thursday and Saturday. This Friday Blu will be around for the Fall Admitted Students day from 12-3PM and then will be at the hockey game this Saturday at 2pm. Go Blugolds!

Housing Coordinator – N/A

Unfinished Business

Bill or Resolution	Title	Status	Vote Method
N/A			

New Business

Bill or Resolution	Title	Status	Vote Method
65-R-19	In Support of Investing in Locally Sourced Produce for Campus Dining	Tabled for one week by author(s)	



Personnel Matters

Appointed or Resigned (A/R)	Name(s)	Entity(ies)
A	Katie Loff	Housing Coordinator
A	Olivia Schenzel	Student Organization Commission Voting Member
A	Grace Luloff	Student Organization Commission Voting Member
A	Steven Ross	Student Organization Commission Voting Member
R	Steven Ross	Off- Campus Senator
R	Jaylen Jansesn	Off- Campus Senator
R	Steven Ross	Finance Commission Voting Member

Announcements

Person	Topic
Brenden Hicks	Segregated Fee Funding Workshop -Nov. 17th, 12-1PM, Menominee Room of Davies Student Center
Zach Weertz	Council on Internationalization and Organization Refugee Educational Program Volunteering Opportunity -\$30 application fee waived -\$200 food services fee waived
Brett Farmer	Artist Series Improv Comedy Show -Tickets now available for \$3.50
Adler Kranich	Parliamentary Procedure Workshop -Nov. 19th, 3-4PM, Colleen Bader Conference Room

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:47PM.

