

**UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE
STUDENT SENATE**

**BILL: ESTABLISHING SUPPORT AND MEMBERSHIP OF UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN
SYSTEM STUDENT GOVERNANCE ASSOCIATION (UWSSGA)**

NUMBER: 66-B-2 DATE: May 9th, 2022

INTRODUCED BY: Rossellin Gaitan, Student Body President; Nicholas Johnson, Student Body Vice President

1 WHEREAS, the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire (UW-Eau Claire) Student Senate is the official
2 voice of the student body; and

3 WHEREAS, a coalition of student leadership, primarily led by UW-Steven’s Point and UW-Eau
4 Claire, facilitated the drafting of a constitution for a statewide student governance organization in the
5 21-22 academic year; and

6 WHEREAS, the UW-Eau Claire Student Senate passed a resolution in support of statewide
7 student governance within 65-R-14 (attachment “A”); and

8 WHEREAS, upon the legislative approval of 9 comprehensive UW system schools, this
9 organization and its respective constitution shall be ratified; and

10 WHEREAS, the UWSSGA constitution provides guidance regarding the procedures and
11 membership criteria for each respective campus and the overarching statewide organization
12 (Attachment “B”); and

13 WHEREAS, the organization shall allow for stronger communication and collaboration amongst
14 system student governances, particularly through the capacity of regular meetings with other shared
15 governance entities; and

16 WHEREAS, specifically, involvement in this organization shall benefit all system students in the
17 facilitation of more unity to counteract issues of equity and generally dismissed student issues; and

18 WHEREAS, a more generalized description of the organization’s benefits also includes relevant
19 historical context and rationale behind the organization (Attachment “C”); and

20 BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, the 66th Student Senate session echoes the sentiments of 65-R-14
21 to support the creation of and participation in the UWSSGA; and

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon successful passage of this bill, the constitution of the UWSSGA
23 shall be considered ratified and adopted by UW-Eau Claire; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the UWSSGA constitution shall also replace part 10-14 of the
25 Intergovernmental Affairs Bylaws; and

26 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that upon passage of this resolution, President Gaitan will transmit a copy to Dr.
27 James Schmidt, Chancellor; Dr. Patricia Klein, Provost and Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs; Olga Diaz, Vice
28 Chancellor, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Student Affairs; Grace Crickette, Vice Chancellor, Finance and
29 Administration; Billy Felz, Interim Vice Chancellor, Enrollment Management; LaRue Pierce, Dean of
30 Students; Kristin Schumacher, Director, University Centers; Grace Arrigoni, Student Body President, UW-Eau Claire-
31 Barron County; Evan Weiher, Chair, University Senate; Nicole Owen, Chair, University Staff Council; Gary Wheeler,
32 Interim Campus Director, UW-Eau Claire-Barron County.