

**Wednesday, January 22nd, 2020**  
Winona State Student Senate Meeting  
4:30 PM, Kryzsko Commons 247, WSU

Call to Order: **4:30 pm**

Roll Call:

Land Recognition Statement

Approval of Weekly Meeting Minutes: **APPROVED**

Approval of Agenda: **APPROVED**

- Organizational Reports
  - UPAC
    - N/A
  - RHA
    - N/A
  - Students United
    - N/A
  - Greek Council
    - N/A
  - Director of Communications
    - N/A
  - Executive Assistant
    - N/A
  - Alliance of Student Organizations Director
    - N/A
- Guest Speakers
  - Nathan Engstrom, Campus Sustainability Director
    - Nathan is a cool dude and he's been here since August 2017
    - The sustainability committee has shifted sustainable policies away from the individual and is attempting to engage the whole campus
    - Creating the sustainability office on campus was the first large milestone which was the institutional goal.
    - The academic goal of the sustainability office was creating a sustainability minor which can give individuals a competitive advantage in the job field

- The sustainability minor is geared towards all career fields from accounting to zoology
- The student green fee is used to support WSU's commitment to sustainability which helps fund student workers, education, sustainable infrastructure, et cetera
- Sustainable design features of the Education Village include natural lighting and means of reducing water waste and including more sustainable building materials.
- Next steps: carbon neutral campus, reduce water waste, reduce landfill waste, creating a "progressive culture of sustainability"
- Yesterday, a request for proposal was approved to introduce energy sustainability with the potential to reduce campus energy by 20%
- CICEL building to replace Watkins and Gild and it is intended to be entirely carbon neutral
- Senate's suggestions/questions
  - What are opportunities to tackle food waste on campus? The old programs with Chartwells fell through; there are plans to seek a new site for food waste from Chartwells. The county is pursuing plans to have a compost/food waste depository. In a perfect world, we would have a community garden yet there has not been enough support from students of campus.
  - Dual handles for flushing toilets in campus bathrooms? Yes, that would fit into the campus initiative of water conservation.
  - When would we begin to see the 20% decrease in energy use. Likely within a year of the implementation.
  - How to reduce the use of single-use plastic on campus (bookstore, Zanes)? Cost is the big barrier to most of these issues. People are like "keep your bureaucratic hands off our single-use plastics" so there is still a fair amount of reluctance. The university is also in the process of renegotiating contracts with Pepsi and possibly moving more towards aluminum cans.
  - Do we actually recycle? Yes, we do collect all the things Winona County recycles but it depends how the GMWs throw away recycling. It does happen but it is rare for recyclable to be thrown away after several waste

audits done by the university. Contamination rate can be as high as 50% which makes effective recycling difficult.

- How is the seed garden coming? It has transitioned under the College of Science and Engineering. The relationship between the seed garden and the Warrior Cupboard is, to his knowledge, still a thing. The seed library and bank is still operational.
  - Will the sustainability fee increase over the next several years while these larger projects get underway? It's the responsibility of the students to have those discussions about how much of a stake do they want to have in sustainability
  - Students don't really drive electric vehicles so is this something that should be a priority because they're expensive? There are three or four in town and one at the co-op. We expect numbers to grow and faculty to begin driving them more. Also the university would like to start purchasing more electric vehicles for motor pools. This will be more common in the future, so we want to take leadership in the community and on campus to help this trend. These are
- Paul Schollmeier, Winona City Council
    - Train from Saint Paul to Chicago
    - Same price, train control, wireless
    - Having another \$1700 could benefit our city because of visiting spending est. \$200,000
    - We need to have a platform/ expanded side rail \$17 million
    - 50% of construction an average year in our city
    - Wisconsin is offering to help with 10 million
    - Governor has already offered 10 million
    - Need senate to reach out to our representatives of the state to say they "we as a student body would like to see a second train and support the budget" also send that letter to the local newspaper
    - Will be tabling tomorrow during the lunch hour in the lower hyphen
  - Lindsay Marosi-Kramer, Assistant Director of Student Activities for Greek Life & Leadership

- February 10th will be a lunch and lead ( please Pre-register and bring your own lunch.
  - 2/11 Grocery Bingo will have leadership books
  - 2/12 World Cafe : open discussions about “Career Ready” Oak Rooms
  - 2/13 Leaders in Actions : interactive leadership develop
  - 2/15 Warriors LEAD summit
  - Next Tuesday there will be a speaker about how to be a better partner with domestic violence and sexual assault
- Treasurer Kuerschner - Treasurer’s Workshop
  - Warrior space (forms I can submit)
  - Request money for Club/organization or individual
  - Student Senate/ SAFC
  - Only club officers can see forms (club directory isn't ready yet)
  - Select cost and will automatically will do the math
  - YOU CAN NOT EDIT SUBMITTED FORMS
- Committee Reports
  - Inclusion and Diversity
    - Working with Academic Affairs/Student Services
  - Student Services

*Whereas*, Winona State University prides itself on educating the future teachers of our generation.

*Whereas*, 1,195 students at Winona State University take classes at Education Village.

*Whereas*, commuting to Education Village from the main campus poses a threat to pedestrian safety.

*Whereas*, the distance required to commute between the main campus and the Education Village inhibits student's accessibility to education.

*Therefore be it resolved*, that WSUSS strenuously recommends the implementation of a shuttle that runs exclusively between the main campus and education village.

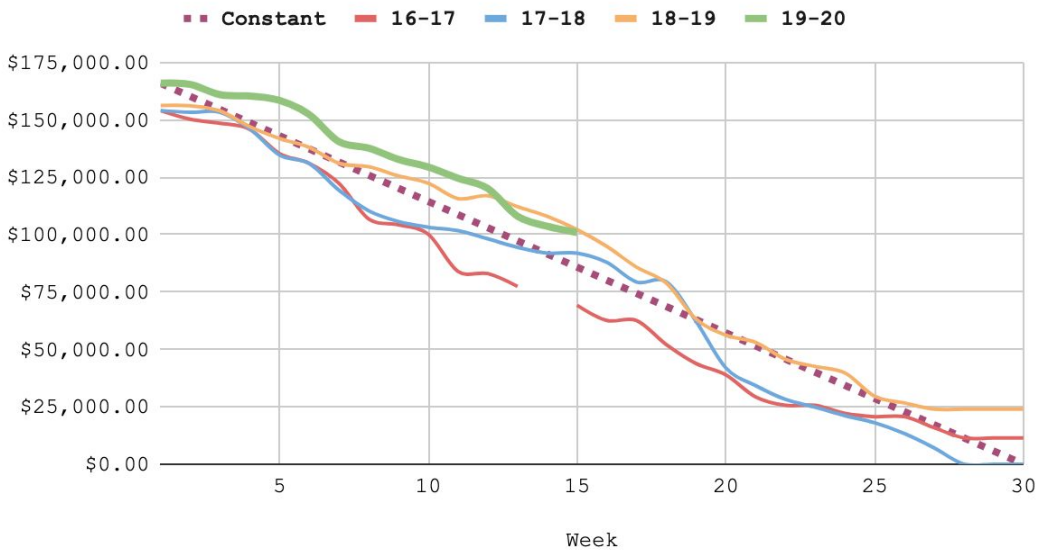
*Therefore be it further resolved*, that WSUSS advocates for the implementation by the start of the fall semester 2020.

- Blood drive

- Campaigning for pedestrian safety
  - Academic Affairs
    - Professor office hours
    - New DARS report
    - Bachelor of Social work on Rochester's campus
    - Textbook affordability will be meeting in 2 weeks
- President's Report
  - Approval of Consent Agenda : **APPROVED**
  - All-University Committee Updates
  - Robert's Rules of Order
  - [Students United Advocacy Conference](#)
  - Update from Counseling Services
    - Filled 2 positions
    - Limit 6 sessions
  - City of Winona Downtown Strategic Plan & Survey
  - Committee Engagement & Professionalism
- Vice President's Report
  - Election Applications
    - Feb 3rd -6th
  - All-University Committees
  - Office Hours, Volunteer Hours, and Event Attendance Requirement
  - Motions
  - Working Documents Committee Recommendation:
    - Move to approve the following changes to the WSUSA Constitution and WSUS Bylaws
    - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1uSqThTw0ul1bhiali1VMLoQs6r821-Vyt97TAFa738c/edit?usp=sharing>  
**APPROVED**
- Treasurer's Report
  - SAF Account Balance: \$100,920.06
  - SAF Account Balance after approval of Consent Agenda: \$100,920.06 (60.83%, ↓0%)

- SAF Account Balance after approval of Unfinished Business: \$89,685.06 (54.06%,  
↓6.77%)
- Senate Account: \$24,683.86
  - Amount left after required expenses: \$8,269.20
    - Cabinet Salaries: \$9,905.30
    - Warrior Cupboard: \$473.00
    - Pedestrian Safety: \$685.00
    - NACA: \$2,934.36
    - Plaques: \$80.00
    - SU Refund: \$1,675.00
    - Office Phone: \$12.00
    - Spring Banquet: \$650
- Tip of the Week: [Senate Operating Budget](#)

### SAF Spending



- Unfinished Business

*Whereas*, the WSU Model United Nations Club is creating opportunities for students to learn content not available on campus,

*Whereas*, the WSU MUN Club is traveling to New York to compete in the NMUN NYC conference,

*Whereas*, the WSU MUN Club performed well in the NMUN conference last year,

*Therefore be it resolved*, that \$7,235 is allocated from the SAF account to the Model United Nations Club for the NMUN NYC conference.

Moved by: Senator Ruhland

Seconded by: Senator Lavan

**Move to Table**

Moved by: Chair Mann

Seconded by: Senator Gillitzer

**Approved**

Move to allocate \$1,500 from the Student Senate account and \$1,500 from the SAF account to Midwest Music Fest

Moved by: Senator Ruhland

Seconded by: Senator DeMaris

**Move to table**

Moved by: Chair Hansen

Seconded by: Senator DeMaris

**Approved**

*Whereas*, UPAC is planning new evening programming to give fun opportunities to students,

*Whereas*, Kryzsko After Dark is an event to promote safe activities to students on Friday nights,

*Whereas*, Kryzsko After Dark is projecting over 500 students to attend the event,

*Whereas*, Kryzsko After Dark provides clubs opportunities to get involved on campus,

*Whereas*, WSUSS is a club on campus,

*Therefore be it resolved*, that WSUSS allocates \$600 from the Senate Account to UPAC for Kryzsko After Dark.

Moved by: Senator Ruhland

Seconded by: Senator Oldenberg

**Approved**

- New Business
- Comments from the Gallery
- Comments for the Good of the Order
- Adjournment: 7:15

Moved by: Senator Braunworth

Seconded by: Senator Christensen

**Approved**

### **Consent Agenda**

Senator Christensen to Elections Committee

Senator Olson to Elections Committee

Senator DeMaris to Elections Committee

Senator Oldenberg to Elections Committee

EA Phillips to Elections Committee

Senator Olson to Judicial/Working Docs

Senator Harvey Rigby to Student Services

Senator Wilson to Student Services

Remove Senator Wilson from Academic Affairs

Remove Senator Harvey Rigby from SAFC

Remove Senator Harvey Rigby from Judicial/Working Docs