

**Wednesday, November 8st, 2023**

Winona State Student Senate Meeting

5 PM, Baldwin Lounge

Call to Order: 5:00pm

Roll Call:

President Carman	x
VP Ehlers	x
Treasurer O'Connor	x
Director Herman	x
Director Herrick	x
EA Johannsen	x
Chair Bainbridge	x
Chair Hermerding	x
Chair Hossain	x
Senator Arefin	x
Senator Bowen	x
Senator Carman	x
Senator Crass	x
Senator Crowe	x
Senator Daniels	T
Senator DeBates	x
Senator DeLuca	x
Senator Galvin	x
Senator Grams	x
Senator Haugen	x
Senator Howarth	x

Senator Kurth	
Senator Minich	x
Senator Palmerton	x
Senator Peil	x
Senator Prosser	x
Senator Schulz	x
Senator Simon	x
Senator Snider	x
Senator Stoeckly	x
Senator Tetzloff	x
Senator Wright	x

#### Land Recognition Statement

Approval of Weekly Meeting Minutes: **Approved**

Approval of Agenda: **approved**

- Organizational Reports
  - Warrior Entertainment Network
    - Not much else going on. Last grocery bingo was on Monday. Interviews for our board is on Monday
  - Greek Council
  - RHA
  - KEAP Council
  - Director of Communications
  - Executive Assistant
  - Alliance of Student Organizations Director
- Guest Speakers
  - Winona State University Men's Rugby Club (Doggs)
    - Parker Buth & Nate Perterson
    - Oldest sports club at Winona State. Due to covid we have had a lot of people not be able to be on the team or leave the team. Starting the club fair we recruited twelve new members. Been to 3 of the 4 club fairs. Won all five games. Won our divisional championship and now looking for funds to get to the regional championship. Overall request of 2300. It will cost about 1400 to get to St. Louis and back so we are requesting 1500 just in case to get there and back. The hotel is mandatory and its one of the only ones that is left. We can fit 4 people to a

room and are going to need 5 rooms. We are asking for \$800 just in case additional fees will tack on. We may also have a coach go with us. Started with 1000 less than last year. We got demoted to a lower tier of sports club funding. Proud of our new members for trying it out. All that we have spent has been necessary to go to meets and function as a club. We have tried to cut costs as much as we can, staying at friends' houses and using our personal vehicles as much as we can. It can be tough to do fundraising. We went to WAV nutrition. We have been trying to just stay a float as a club. Hoping to raise money on April 27th. Hoping to get our students to engage in the community. We want to support the community we are involved in, we mow, water the field. We believe that going to this game will be beneficial. It is the furthest this team has gone. We will be wearing our winona jerseys and our tees and warmups. Good way to represent a Winona team and see how far we can go.

- Chair Hermerding: Have you guys ever gone to this tournament in the 35 years?
  - This is the first year. There are different divisions. This year we are in the developmental league. It was last minute. Seeing if we want to do this. This would be the first championship game of this tier. When they look at the history books, they will see Winona state.
- Senator Galvin: Can you explain to everyone here who may not know what rugby is?
  - It is a combination between American football and soccer. The ball can consistently be turned over. Total of an 80 minute game. There are the elements of non stop contact. It's hard to get people out there to do this.
- Senator Galvin: Is this used to develop?
  - The teams that are in our leagues are ones that have suffered from covid. This league is giving teams who have suffered a chance to get bumped back up to where they were.
- Senator Carmen: What would be the minimum amount of funding to get you to go on this trip, if we could not do the full amount?
  - Probably \$1800-\$2000. We can go to our alumni panel too but we want to see what student senate can do for us. We could also try to fundraise but it is two weeks away.
  - There have been a lot of instances that we have not submitted as a gas reimbursement fee so that we don't take out of the funding. It would be nice to have it paid for but we just want to do the necessities. Whatever funding we have left we will give back to you guys
- Senator Carmen: Has anyone put their own money towards this trip?
  - No trying not to
- Senator Howarth: You mention that you have done fundraising. With the funds that you have made, has that fund gone towards a specific area?

- Yes, that's basically an emergency fund. Not aware how to transfer that. I want to leave the club with more of that than what's had at the beginning
  - Senator Minich: Congrats on almost 35 years. How many people are going and when do you need funding?
    - 21 but with coach 22. Anytime beforehand. Within a week to receive funding to secure rooms.
  
- National Association for Musical Education (NAfME) Collegiate Chapter 252
  - Anna, Tyler, Heather
  - Here today to request funds for the Midwinter Clinic. There's been a trend to create more fluidity in the curriculum. Good opportunities to network and meet other teachers. This conference is where a bunch of national speakers get together to discuss. We will be presenting some of our research ideas. We gain a lot of insights at this clinic by the speakers that come in. This will help our students gain new tools and access to new music. We will be running a WSU booth. Breakdown is from an invoice from the hotel we are requesting. Will also be requesting funds for registration fee. Each member will pay their own membership fee. We are asking for lodging and registration funds. Total of \$1973.80.
    - Senator Wright: exciting that a couple of you guys get to present. Did you mean you were going to use SAFC funds for the trip?
      - Kind of new to being a treasurer. \$1500 is a lot of money and it would be fair to use that. We are also going to be having social events.
    - Do you know what kind of chunk you will be using for those events?
      - Probably like \$100
    - Senator Crass: you guys talked about doing some fundraiser, will the leftover money be given back?
      - yes
    - Senator Schulz: This is an amazing opportunity. My high school band was selected to play at this. Wondering what your plans for that would be?
      - There are different booths in the hall, some colleges, and instrument booths. We use this as an opportunity to recruit. After the students perform they try to see how much free stuff they can get. So we have some of that stuff and will talk their ear off. Usually they say they will schedule a tour. Winona state band has been selected to play as well. At the booth we are the only college booth that is fully student run. This presents a really good look for us.

- Health and Wellness Services

- Lexi and Connie

- We are a primary third clinic in the iwc. Some things we want to introduce are some of the things we offer on campus. Some things that you assume but are not aware of. We have insurance billing claims and lowest prices. We are not only accessible geographically but also cost. We do not have a waiting list. We are the primary care clinic for international students. We work closely with their insurance. We normally deal with outbreaks like TB, Meningitis. Consistency is one of the key components and we have that here. When you see our provider you can see that provider again and have that history with them. They can work with you so that you can really experience the best. A lot of people don't realize that we do a lot of mentoring. We have a large number of nursing and pre med students who get an opportunity as well. We want to show you how much we value student input. Students do a lot with hands-on experience. It gives us great perspective so that we are aware of unique health risks. Our students all have to sign the confidentiality waiver, same type of experience if they were to work in a hospital. Did a lot during covid as expected. We use social media and try to be green and stay digital. We value students' input and guidance throughout the process.
    - With insurance claims and billing, students automatically qualify but you do have to request it. We have our clinical team. Anything you would go for a primary physician you can go here to get as well. We have a lab. If we can do something we can refer someone outwards and provide them a ride. We really try to make sure that our communications are appropriate. We also do qualitative and quantitative research. With finances we make sure we have the lowest prices to make sure we are accessible to all of you. We find a way to cover everything.
    - Last spring we got to implement a college health and needs assessment. Had a 20% response rate which is really good. We are going to plan ways to use the data for the spring. Some of the areas we work in are all areas you would expect from a primary physician and we also mentor. We collaborate with the nursing department like for Flu shots. All of those things have no additional cost. We get a lot of upper respiratory problems. We have a message line available during hours. We usually get back to you within a couple hours. We have parents call to get information, we can't give it out to them unless a waiver is signed.
    - We do wellness education programming. We do water aerobics. Mostly community health students. Making sure students are aware of services. Physical and emotional health. We are lucky enough to have a lot of collaborations throughout campus. We lost our footing for standard work

because of covid. We have not rebuilt to the level pre covid. We think students have shifted their healthcare services. We have burned through a lot of our reserve. We are happy to serve the students during that time but we are still recovering. A large portion of the health promotion budget is the general fund that we are required to have. If students are caught with alcohol on campus they are referred to me, all required by law. Third party funds are all health promotion activities. We scour for donations that can help us. Just a little over 1/4 are third party funds.

- President Carman: Send a message if you have any questions and I will send their contact information.

- Chair Reports

- Academic Affairs
- Equity and Inclusive Excellence

- Whereas, diversity and inclusion are important to WSU,  
Whereas, diversity recognizes the inherent value and strength of differences it brings,  
Whereas, it is a fundamental aspect of a thriving, fair, and progressive society,  
Whereas, diverse faculty will lead to more university-wide opportunities and success,  
Whereas, students of color are better recruited, retained, and succeed at a significantly higher rate when led by faculty of color,  
Whereas, diverse faculty will make students of color feel more included and valued as a part of the Winona State University community,  
Whereas, diverse faculty will attract more student admission to WSU,  
Whereas, International Students will feel included and accepted and promote their WSU pride,  
Therefore be it resolved, WSUSS recommends the expansion of diverse and inclusive language upon all hiring processes including advertisement to create a more diverse group of candidates,  
Therefore be it further resolved, WSUSS recommends WSU make an effort to have multiple candidates of color for all hiring processes.

Moved by: Equity Inclusive Excellence Committee

- Chair Hossain: motion urges inclusivity to acquire more diverse students and faculty.
- Senator Peil: amendment: change wsuss recommend the expansion of diverse and inclusive language upon all hiring processes including advertisement to create a more diverse group of candidates. Therefore be it resolved wsuss recommends WSU make an effort to have multiple candidates of color for all hiring processes.

- Seconded by Senator Howarth
- Senator Peil: this clear is up that the hiring process takes in account all people who are qualified for a position and advertisement
- Senator Howarth: Yield to redundancy
- Senator Daniels: Been working on this as a committee and working towards a goal we can all agree on
- Senator Galvin: friendly amendment: add comma instead of period

○ PASSES

● Motion passes

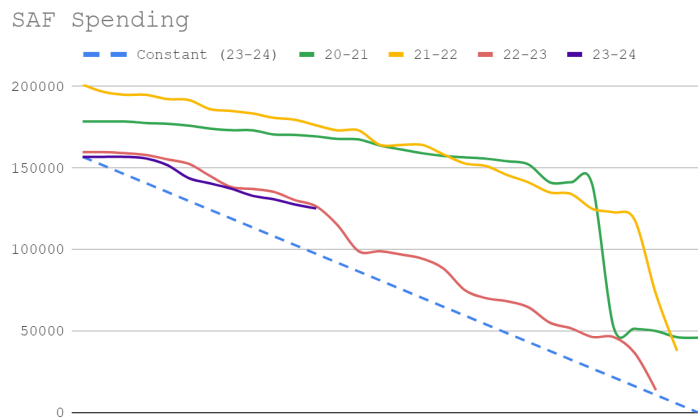
- Student Services
  - Whereas, the week before finals is stressful,  
Whereas, students deserve a chance to have a study break and snacks,  
Whereas, students need a place to take a break from studying,  
Whereas, it is important to take a break in between studying different topics,  
Whereas, the event would include snack giveaways, positive notes, as well as resource information,  
Whereas, the event would offer coloring pages as well as games that are beneficial for brain breaks,  
Whereas, the advertisement for the event will cost \$80,  
Whereas, snacks and drinks will cost \$281.45,  
Whereas, resource magnets will cost \$110,  
Whereas, positive notes will cost \$60,  
Therefore be it resolved, WSUSS allocates \$531.45 from the Student Senate Internal Budget to promote taking a break during finals week.

Moved by Student Service Committee

- Chair Bainbridge: We are having an event giving snacks away playing games. If you need a breakdown of snacks, see me later.
- President Carman: This is a financial motion, will have time to talk about this next week.

- President's Report
  - Approval of Consent Agenda
    - Approved
  - All University Committee Updates
  - President Dinner Tonight!

- Advocacy Conference Update
- Vice President's Report
- Treasurer's Report



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- SAF Account Balance: \$125,171.98
- SAF Account Balance after approval of Consent Agenda: \$123,064.02
- SAF Account Balance after approval of Unfinished Business: \$119,064.02
- Senate Account Balance: \$1,817.02

- Old Business

- Whereas, WSU Panhellenic wants to attend the AFLV conference in February,

Whereas, they have gone to this conference in the past and have brought back knowledge to other greek life members and WSU students,

Whereas, it would increase engagement, gain new members, and improve diversity and inclusivity of members and events as well as retain membership,

Whereas, fundraising has been done currently and set up in the future,

Therefore be it resolved, WSUSS allocates \$4,000 from the SAF to WSU Panhellenic for them to attend the AFLV conference.

Moved By: Senator Stoeckly

Second By: Senator Carman

- Senator Stoeckly: Think this would be great opportunity for Greek Life
- Senator Carman: Yield due to redundancy
- Motion passes



- New Business

- Whereas, WSU Men's Rugby won the divisional championship,

Whereas, the championship tournament would be a fantastic opportunity for the students to showcase WSU and their talents,

Whereas, twenty-one students received the opportunity to attend the Midwest Regional championship,

Therefore be it resolved, WSUSS allocates \$2,300 from the SAF to the WSU Men's Rugby Club.

Therefore be it further resolved, any remaining funds will be returned to the SAF.

Moved by: Senator Minich

Seconded by: Senator Palmerton

- Senator Minich: I think this is an amazing opportunity.
- Senator Palmerton: Great opportunity for them
- Senator Carmen: If we table this can we get them the money in time?
  - Treasurer O'Connor: It says the 17th, it would get moved into their account the 16th, so I think so.
- Senator Carman: I would like to suspend the financial bylaws
  - Seconded by Senator Wright
  - **Bylaws suspended**
- Senator Peil: add the divisional championship
- Senator carman: SAF instead of safe
- Senator Wright: friendly amendment: any remaining funds be returned to the SAF
- Senator Peil: Change to championship tournament
- Chair bainbridge: Therefore be it resolved
- Senator Haugen: Call to question
  - Seconded by: Senator Peil
  - **PASSES**
- **Motion passes**

- Whereas, WSU NAFME is looking to attend the MMEA 2023 Midwinter Clinic,

Whereas, they will be going to Minneapolis, MN from February 15-17,

Whereas, 15 students are attending and covering the conference fee,

Therefore be it resolved, WSUSS allocated \$1,973.80 to the NAFME.

Moved by: Chair Hermerding

Seconded by: senator Carmen

- Chair Hermerding: look at friendly amendments next week
- Senator carman: redundancy, would like to reinstate by laws
  - Bylaws reinstated
- Tabled

- Comments from the Gallery
- Comments for the Good of the Order
- Adjournment
  - 6:10PM
- Consent Agenda: **Approved**

Nursing Club Pinning Ceremony	\$63.15
WSU Pre-med club	\$46.11
Environmental Club Table	\$8.80
CS Club Meetings	\$22.96
Movement Science Club t-shirts	\$512.80
InterVarsity Wednesday Night Bible Study 11/1	\$34.50
Sig Tau Gamma Noble Man Institute	\$700.00
Psychology Club NAMI Minnesota State Conference	\$10.22

Psychology Club Pizza Party	\$19.47
Student Association of Social Workers - Bulletin Board	\$10.19
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship Catalyst Conference	\$10.80
NAfME Social	\$17.65
RTTR Student Association Pumpkin Painting	\$45.95
Hmong American Student Association Game Night	\$61.14
Potato Club November Meeting	\$91.91
Winona Gaming Community Regular Meeting	\$246.85
Unified Warriors WGDx	\$117.16
Winona State Ambassadors Honorary Snacks	\$88.30
Total:	\$2,107.96