

Wednesday, November 29th, 2023

Winona State Student Senate Meeting

5 PM, Solarium

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	x
Senator DeBates	x
Senator DeLuca	x
Senator Galvin	x
Senator Grams	x
Senator Haugen	x
Senator Howarth	x

Senator Kurth	x
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

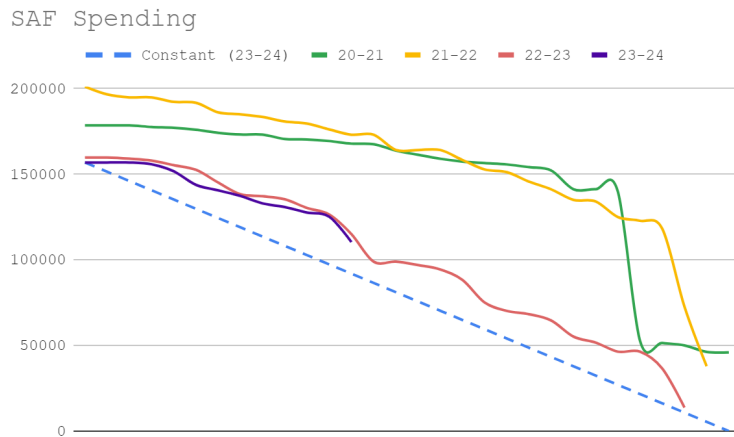
Land Recognition Statement

Approval of Weekly Meeting Minutes: **approved**

Approval of Agenda: **approved**

- Organizational Reports
 - Warrior Entertainment Network
 - Rihanna, new director for Warrior Entertainment Network. Winter fest coming up
 - Greek Council
 - RHA
 - KEAP Council
 - Director of Communications
 - Posting on social media, had an awesome event today
 - Executive Assistant
 - I finished up the display case last night. We have friendsgiving tonight! This is our last bonding event of the semester. So after this meeting we will all go to the alumni house, which is behind the SLC. After we are all done eating we will pass out our secret senator gifts!
 - Alliance of Student Organizations Director
 - Week before thanksgiving break was my last ASO meeting
- Guest Speakers
- Chair Reports
 - Academic Affairs
 - Last meeting was today
 - Equity and Inclusive Excellence

- Done with everything, brainstorming on spring semester events
 - Student Services
 - Had last event, had more than 200 students come. It went really well. Be prepared for new policies. We have a lot of data we collected.
 - President's Report
 - Approval of Consent Agenda
 - approved
 - All University Committee Updates
 - Senator DeBates: sexual violence advisory meeting. First meeting that senators were included in. We worked on planning a prevention program for student athletes. They will be attending a workshop
 - Senator Simon: Title 9 walked through all the took photos and got data and we are going to figure out how to make it Title 9 compliant
 - Senator Wright: All U tech community, talking about budget and where the money is going to go. I gave them advice. Talked about AI and how it is affecting college students, faculty, and professors. Professors are using it to grade papers so we have been talking about how it is being used on campus
 - Senator Haugen: Dr. Upright and I talked. We are working together to get a senator represented on the committee he is on. Minich, another senator and I get to speak with the committee.
 - VP Ehlers: We also talked with Dr. Upright, working on the process on how policies go through
 - Pizza with the Presidents Volunteers
 - We are handing out 100 pizzas so if you can volunteer please do.
 - Senate Send off
 - Senator Wright and Senator Prosser
 - Vice President's Report
 - Office hours
 - Last week to do office hours. Don't have to do office hours next week. Feel free to use the room to study or take breaks
 - Senator Carman: will you be sending an update on where everyone is at on volunteer hours
 - VP Ehlers: I can do that
 - Volunteer hours and events due Sunday Dec. 3rd
 - New senators!
 - Have a full senate next semester. Will be reaching out to senators to have them be senate buddies and help them out.
 - Senate Wright: think it's cool having senate buddies for people coming in half way through the semester.
 - Treasurer's Report



- - SAF Account Balance: \$110,367.31
 - SAF Account Balance after approval of Consent Agenda: \$110,153.31
 - SAF Account Balance after approval of Unfinished Business: \$109,153.31
 - Senate Account Balance: \$1,869.08
 - Not too much going on. Small consent agenda.

- Old Business

Whereas, WSU Student Senate is a governing student body,

Whereas, Student Senate has a positive impact on student and campus life,

Whereas, students often view Student Senate in a negative light,

Whereas, Student Senate is for the students by the students,

Whereas, Student Senate wants positive student involvement,

Whereas, a governing student body should be transparent,

Whereas, students should be aware of who represents them on Student Senate,

Whereas, students should have a way to express their concerns,

Whereas, students voices should be heard,

Whereas, having advertising for College and general chair representatives would allow students to recognize and know their senators,

Therefore be it resolved, Student Senate launches a Meet Your Senator Campaign consisting of posters to be placed in all campus buildings with information about the senators, the seat that they represent, and student senate contact info,

Therefore be it further resolved, WSUSS allocates \$70.50 from the WSUSS internal budget to fund posters for the Meet Your Senator Campaign,

Moved by Senator Haugen

Seconded by Chair Bainbridge

- Senator Haugen: We talked two weeks ago about this. I genuinely think that we need to get our names out there. Good way for students to know us and contact us, so we can get people in the gallery.
- Chair Bainbridge: If you reach one student, that's a win
- Senator Stoeckly: I sent an email to the dean of the college of Ed, if you are a college seat, I'd recommend doing this. Next semester the college of education will be planning something.
- Senator Howarth: I am for this motion. With new senators coming in it would be nice for them. If we have this it will bring more people to put themselves out here. It will make people know who we are.
- Senator Crass: We had a lot of people and a lot of fun but don't think people knew who we were. People don't understand how much fun we are and that we are people too.
- Senator Carman: How many of you put in your campaign that you are the student's voice. Only the people who have a meal plan see the display case. We have a display case that is in only one location. If we get posters we can get it out all over campus and help be a student's voice.
- Senator Galvin: Came into senate completely new and heard you guys have a negative reputation. There is no excuse for what we were arguing over last week. It is a small cost and it would reinforce the bad reputation. We represent students and if we don't help them then what good is the student senate.
- Senator Wright: In favor of this motion. Would like to say that we should do this but its not just a poster. We should actively tell people about senate. Tell people that the senate office is not just for student senate. Creating that welcoming environment, opening the office doors and talking to them.
- Chair Bainbridge: Since being on campus, there is a lot of change we need to get done on campus. With all the data we have, I have been getting thank you emails. People are struggling and they see that senate is trying. We have to tell them what we are doing.
- Senator Peil: I think this is important. Not just a poster with our face on it but telling them to come to the office or come to the meeting with the time. Putting posters up, and having one person see it is a win. Think it is important that it isn't just a poster with our face and email but us pushing them to come talk to us. I think it's important that we push them. Any position that you are appointed to in a democracy you are a voice. Push for "hey email me" "what do you want to see happen on campus"
- Senator Kurth: I've said my peace about this motion and about how the outreach of this organization sucks. I don't get why we are having an argument about \$75. I plan to write a motion

for everyone to table at their college. We need something that obligates everyone to do their job.

Call to question

- Seconded by senator Howarth

- Passes

- Motion Passes

Whereas, Sigma Sigma Sigma is looking to attend the Prevention Institution in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania,

Whereas, they are a nationally recognized sorority at Winona State University,

Whereas, their two positions, Vice President of Harm Reduction and Honor Council Chairwomen will be attending,

Therefore be it resolved, WSUSS allocates \$1,000 from the SAF to Sigma Sigma Sigma,

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

Moved by: Chair Hermerding

Seconded by: Senator Prosser

- Chair Hermerding: Great program for these two women. They are going to be with women who have been in this organization in the 60s.
- Senator Prosser: Greek life leadership conferences have an impact on Greek life, campus and the students. They can bring back stuff for our campus. It is beneficial and you get to meet people all over the US and spread the name of Winona State
 - Senator Simon: I think conferences are the best thing for anyone to go to. It benefits the students the campus, and it is fun

- Motion Passes

- New Business
- Comments from the Gallery
 - Tracy Rahim: wanted to thank all of you for all of your work this semester. You have accomplished a lot. There is never too much outreach we can do. We don't always get a

lot of motions that are not just funding requests, and we had some great motions this semester. Thank you to those who are leaving us.

- Interim President Janz: Pizza with the presidents is tomorrow. We have been doing that the last three years. We talk about the good job senate is doing. We are giving out pizza from the president's account. It always puts a smile on students' faces when you give them free pizza. So it would be nice for you to help out. Having conversations about the student senate and what you guys are doing. Just the idea of bringing up the topic puts them in future conversations. It is making the long game impact
- Executive Session
 - Senator Carman
 - Seconded by Senator Peil
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- Comments for the Good of the Order
- Adjournment: 6:21pm
- Consent Agenda:

WSU College Republicans T-shirts	\$214.00
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