

Wednesday, March 29, 2023
Winona State Student Senate Meeting
5 PM, Solarium, WSU

Call to Order: 5pm

Roll Call:

President M. Olson	X
VP Hytry	X
Treasurer Rieken	X
Director Endresen	X
Director Johnson	X
Executive Assistant Strutz	X
Chair Carman	X
Chair Jones	x
Chair Schiro	X
Senator Abagat	X
Senator Barutwanayo	x
Senator Carman	X
Senator Curtin	X
Senator Eichele	X
Senator Ehlers	X
Senator Hermerding	X
Senator Hossain	tardy

Sen. Kurth	X
Sen. Klatt	X
Senator Magner	x
Senator McCuskey	x
Senator Minich	x
Senator O'Connor	X
Senator Palmerton	X
Senator Peterson	X
Senator Sherchan	x
Senator Tiemthong	tardy
Senator Weber	zoom
Senator Westcott	X
Senator Wright	X

Land Recognition Statement

Approval of Weekly Meeting Minutes: **APPROVED**

Approval of Agenda: **APPROVED**

- Organizational Reports
 - Warrior Entertainment Network
 - Last KAD on Friday
 - April 12th- Drew Lynch
 - Grocery Bingo- April 18th
 - Greek Council
 - Greek week April 17th-April21st
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 - RHA
 - none
 - KEAP Council
 - none
 - Director of Communications
 - Women's History Month post coming out
 - Executive Assistant
 - KAD 9pm
 - Rock Climbing April 19th
 - Alliance of Student Organizations Director
 - Final Draft of Club listing in the works
- Guest Speakers
 - Tuition Presentation - VP Ellinghuysen
 - 2 bills introduced in senate house
 - Budget deficit 4-6.5 mill
 - 17.5 billion in state
 - Tuition request 3.5% increase undergrad, 3.9% grad
 - All minnstate having decline in enrollment
 - April 4th deadline to get bills passed
 - Scholarships
 - Chair Schiro- have other universities discussed other tuition increases?
 - Rep.- From my understanding, yes
 - Sen. Houssain- will the increase affect international students?
 - Rep.- yes, the 3.5% would increase across the board
- Committee Reports

- Academic Affairs
 - Started popular major and minors data sorting
- Equity and Inclusive Excellence
 - Drag Show on Friday
 - Working on a few motions
- Student Services
 - Successful Keynote Speaker turnout
 - Thursday housing panel SLC 120 6pm
 - Get Home Safe Campaign coming soon
- President's Report
 - Approval of Consent Agenda
 - APPROVED
 - All University Committee Updates
 - Sen. Sherchan- EIE committee meeting today about the campus climate survey, low participation, please encourage participation
 - Sen. Eichele- Sustainability committee met this week about a recycling education event, looking to do a public event for the LESS project with tours
 - Students United Update
 - Elections are closed, Vice Chair has been extended until the end of the week
 - Radio Show - 4/4 from 4-6pm
 - President M. Olson and President Olson
 - "Pop Go the Olsons"
- Vice President's Report
 - Event Requirements and Volunteer Hours
 - Due April 30th
 - Office Hours
 - Open House on Friday!

NEW COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

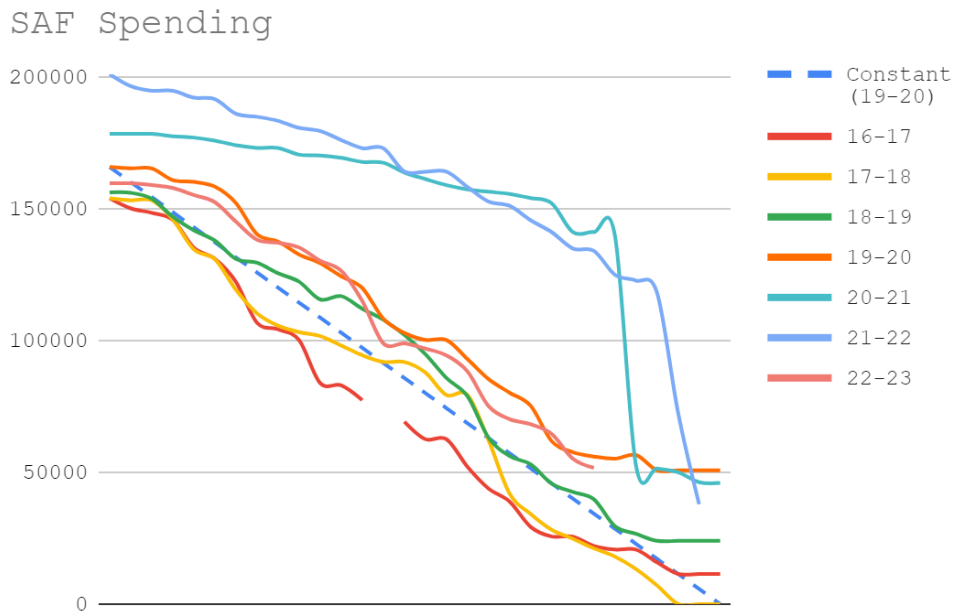
- Elections Committee Recommendation for Academic Year 2023-2024
 - President: Alizabelle Carman
 - Vice President: Emma Ehlers
 - Treasurer: Jack O'Connor
 - Senior Seat: Jason Hoefl
 - Senior Seat: Malia Hermerding
 - Junior Seat: Paige Howarth

- Junior Seat: Garrett Haugen
- Sophomore Seat: Meghan Magner
- Sophomore Seat: Phoebe DeBates
- College of Nursing and Health Sciences: Alex Kurth
- College of Nursing and Health Sciences: Brianna Carman
- College of Nursing and Health Sciences: Noelle Scheer
- College of Nursing and Health Sciences: Reisa Snider
- College of Science and Engineering: Ahlea Wright
- College of Science and Engineering: Daniel Schulz
- College of Liberal Arts: Madisen Palmerton
- College of Liberal Arts: Mitchell Prosser
- College of Liberal Arts: Grace Warner
- College of Liberal Arts: Rayna Bowen
- College of Business: Jahin Arefin
- College of Education: Cameron Simon
- College of Education: Kate Stoeckly

Moved by: Elections Committee

VOTE ON RECOMMENDATION PASSES

- Treasurer’s Report



- - SAF Account Balance: \$51,709.22
 - SAF Account Balance after approval of Consent Agenda: \$49,820.50
 - SAF Account Balance after approval of Unfinished Business: \$49,820.50
 - Senate Account: \$10,591.96

NEW COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- SFMC recommends a 1.98% increase to the Student Life Budget
 - Budget on teams

DISCUSSION ON RECOMMENDATION

- Sen. O'Connor-speaks in support of committee recommendation
- Treas. Reiken- Pay attention to FY24 budget in comparison to FY25
- Sen. Wright- can you explain the specific decision for budgeting the cultural and diversity presentation
- Treas. Rieken- they did not use about a \$7500 consistently in past years
- Dir. Johnson- are we the main ones affected by the decrease?
- Treas. Rieken- we have to think of something to do for the special projects, which is not being done. Projects are presented to senate as a whole, which was my initiative for taking the funds out of that, we are a piece of the pie that is affected by this

AUTOMATICALLY TABLED FOR ONE WEEK

NEW COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- SFMC recommends a 3.5% percent increase to undergrad tuition and a 3.9% increase to graduate tuition.
 - Presentation in teams

DISCUSSION ON RECOMMENDATION

- Sen. Wescott- we should reflect on this tuition increase, as state government should be pauying a portion but we have not, maybe this is an unnecessary increase, advocating for what our students want
- Chair Carman- seconded recommendation, wanted to facilitate discussion, personally do not want to pay more, should not be a student burden, should be a state issue rather than a student issue.
- Sen. Peterson- do not like that they are compensating low tuition numbers with more tuition payment, which is unfair

NEW AMMENDMENT (Chair Schiro, Senator Carman)

- SFMC recommends a 3.50% percent increase to undergrad tuition and a 3.90% increase to graduate tuition.

DISCUSSION ON AMMENDMENT

- Chair Jones- draw to university is low cost, this is not a way to compensate for low enrollment

VOTE ON AMMENDMENT PASSES

DISCUSSION ON AMMENDMENT AS A WHOLE

- Sen. Wright- college tuition giving us hope and then making us pay more is not fair, putting my support to current recommendation
- Sen. Sherchan- If we pass 0% increase, it is up to WSU cabinet to decide?
- Pres. M. Olson- yes, if we gave them automatically what they wanted, there would be no room for discussion, this is our way to promote the discussion
- Sen. Sherchan- supports motion
- Sen. Wright- we should be talking to other students and getting their opinion, don't forget to talk to constituents

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- Unfinished Business
 - none
- New Business
 - none
- Comments from the Gallery
 - Dean Johnson- take the campus climate survey and encourage others to do the same
 - VP McDowell- TedTalk Tuesday next week, sponsored by athletics
 - Pres. Olson- congratulations to those elected for next year!
- Comments for the Good of the Order
- Adjournment 6:17pm (Wright, Minnich)

Consent Agenda

Alpha sigma tau social	\$41.92
Ambassadors mini fridge	\$189.99
ASN end of the year event	\$250.00
Intervarsity meeting dinner	\$19.58
RTTR bowling	\$32.00
SASW club meeting	\$66.09
Wenonah players	\$450.97

end of the year banquet	
WSU spanish language club coffee hour	\$113.10
Pre PA panel	\$60.32
Pre PA club T shirts	\$395.60
Ambassadors Supplies	\$224.40
PRSSA podcast	\$44.75
total	\$1,888.72