

**Tuesday, October 11, 2022**

Winona State Student Senate Meeting

5 PM, Purple Room, WSU

Call to Order: 5pm President M. Olson

Roll Call: Completed by VP Hytry

X=attended, UA=Unexcused Absence, EA=Excused Absence, T=Tardy, ET=Excused Tardy

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| <b>President M. Olson</b>         | <b>X</b> |
| <b>VP Hytry</b>                   | <b>X</b> |
| <b>Treasurer Rieken</b>           | <b>X</b> |
| <b>Director Endresen</b>          | <b>X</b> |
| <b>Director Johnson</b>           | <b>X</b> |
| <b>Executive Assistant Strutz</b> | <b>X</b> |
| <b>Chair Carman</b>               | <b>X</b> |
| <b>Chair Jones</b>                | <b>X</b> |
| <b>Chair Schiro</b>               | <b>X</b> |
| <b>Senator Abagat</b>             | <b>X</b> |
| <b>Senator Barutwanayo</b>        | <b>X</b> |
| <b>Senator Brandon</b>            | <b>X</b> |
| <b>Senator Carman</b>             | <b>X</b> |
| <b>Senator Curtin</b>             | <b>X</b> |
| <b>Senator Eichele</b>            | <b>X</b> |
| <b>Senator Ehlers</b>             | <b>X</b> |
| <b>Senator Hermerding</b>         | <b>X</b> |
| <b>Senator Hossain</b>            | <b>X</b> |

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|---------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Senator Liu</b>        | <b>Tardy</b>                       |
| <b>Senator Lopez</b>      | <b>X</b>                           |
| <b>Senator Magner</b>     | <b>X</b>                           |
| <b>Senator McCuskey</b>   | <b>X</b>                           |
| <b>Senator Minich</b>     | <b>X</b>                           |
| <b>Senator O'Connor</b>   | <b>X</b>                           |
| <b>Senator Palmerton</b>  | <b>X</b>                           |
| <b>Senator Peterson</b>   | <b>X</b>                           |
| <b>Senator Raaen</b>      | <b>Tardy, arrived at 5:52pm</b>    |
| <b>Senator Roers</b>      | <b>X</b>                           |
| <b>Senator Sherchan</b>   | <b>X</b>                           |
| <b>Senator Schweitzer</b> | <b>x</b>                           |
| <b>Senator Stromgren</b>  | <b>X</b>                           |
| <b>Senator Tiemthong</b>  | <b>X</b>                           |
| <b>Senator Torian</b>     | <b>X</b>                           |
| <b>Senator Weber</b>      | <b>X (presenting from gallery)</b> |
| <b>Senator Westcott</b>   | <b>X</b>                           |
| <b>Senator Wright</b>     | <b>X</b>                           |

HAVE QUORUM

Land Recognition Statement

Approval of Weekly Meeting Minutes: **APPROVED**

Approval of Agenda: **APPROVED**

- Organizational Reports
  - RHA

- Booth at warrior game day experience
  - Grab and go breakfast at east lake
- Warrior Entertainment Network
  - Jared
    - Executive Board Presentation
    - 8 positions
    - 4 Non-event planning positions
    - Can see inner-workings of the university from the student perspective
    - No experience required, open now!
    - Applications close Nov. 6th at midnight
    - Grocery Bingo this thursday, 7pm
    - Yam Haus tickets are on sale right now
    - Questions:
    - Sen. Wright: what else do they do, is it boring?
      - Jared- plan events, bondings, get close with club members, have fun!
- Greek Council
  - Sen. Hermerding
    - AST- women's wellness week activities
    - Tri-Sigma- popcorn fundraiser, big-little dates
    - DPHIE- rock-a-thon, hosting elections, big little dates
    - Sig-Tau- new member education and activities
- Director of Communications
  - Signage for events
  - Headshots- won't send out until all done
- Executive Assistant
  - Reminder of pumpkin patch on saturday at 1!
  - Questions?
  - Sen. Houssain- counts as an event?
    - Pres. M. Olson- yes
- Alliance of Student Organizations Director
  - Club meetings
  - Hard deadline has passed
  - Working with Chartwells for food for events

- Guest Speakers
  - Dan Wilson - State Senate Election
    - Winona State Alumus
    - “A life of service to others”
    - Budget surplus deal
    - Running for state senate
    - “Do it right, do it once”
    - Affordable healthcare
    - Support higher education with student funding
    - Questions
      - Chair Jones- thanks for taking the time
      - Sen. Hermerding- what kind of cows do you raise?
        - Candidate Wilson- Sleep-away cows from other farmers for better ecosystem and climate health
      - Sen. Peterson- how do you see your campaign communicating with social workers?
        - Cand. Wilson- Advocacy center in Winona, spouse is public health worker, Project FINE, hearing and listen
  - Warrior Cupboard - Dr. Osgood
    - Thanks for funding, only regular source of funding
    - Past 5 days- 42 students
    - 99 active students using this semester
    - Working with Kwik Trip and Hyvee for case discounts and donations
    - Funding request for foundation- bigger cooler
    - Email: warriorcupboard@winona.edu
    - Questions:
      - Sen. Eichele- where would senate allocate funds if given?
        - Dr. Osgood- groceries, biggest need \$300-400 a week and getting deals
      - Sen. Roers- more students with food insecurity or more PR out?
        - Dr. Osgood- both
      - Sen. Lui-do you coordinate with the community food bank?
        - Dr. Osgood- yes and we encourage students to do the same
  - Students United

- Kaileigh Weber
  - Nonprofit coalition that advocates for MN 4 year colleges
  - Official voice recognized by governing bodies in MN
  - Mission of getting students to vote and be informed
  - 7 student body presidents and 3 student officers
  - Students pay for this in eservices already
  - Contact info on website for student body presidents
  - Advocacy wins include hunger free campus, direct admissions pilot, student debt relief
  - Working on this year
    - affordability aspect, support state supplemental budget request, bonding project, doubling pell grants, open education resources funding
  - Student Debt Cancellation fund
  - Advocacy with governing bodies, fundraising for existing costs
  - Getting more involved by being committees of the board
    - each campus has two appointees
  - Other councils and committees
    - Compensated for time by stipend or giftcard
  - Advocacy conference Nov. 5th
    - St. Paul College
    - Career fair, sessions from alumni, organizers and elected officials, student town hall
    - Tickets have code for discount and compensation
    - \$20-\$80
  - Next Semester visit, advocacy day, lobbying day
  - Importance of voting, midterm election
  - Questions:
  - Pres. M. Olson- what are you most excited for at the conference?
    - Sen. Weber- hearing from young officials?
  - Treas. Reiken- who are you planning on meeting with for winona state?
    - Sen. Weber- we've met with different officials on campus
  - Chair Carman- what positive changes will be happening on campus as opposed to last year?

- Sen. Weber- more coordination for trip, new location,
- Committee Reports
  - Academic Affairs
    - Chair Schiro

#### PREVIOUSLY TABLED FINANCIAL MOTION

*Whereas*, Pizza With Peers helps students determine which classes to take for their goals,

*Whereas*, students can talk with upperclassmen about their required goals,

*Whereas*, students have previously responded well to this event and found it helpful,

*Whereas*, hosting this event in conjunction with the Major and Career Exploration Fair will bring more students to the event,

*Whereas*, hosting this event in Baldwin requires the food to be ordered through Chartwells,

*Whereas*, ordering 25 pizzas through Chartwells will ensure everyone will be fed,

*Therefore be it resolved*, WSUSS allocates \$400.75 to the Academic Affairs Committee for their Pizza With Peers event on October 12th, 2022.

Moved by: Academic Affairs

#### DISCUSSION ON MOTION

- Sen. Wright- I enjoy free food and would like food at event and think other students feel the same
- Chair Jones- free food will help attract students

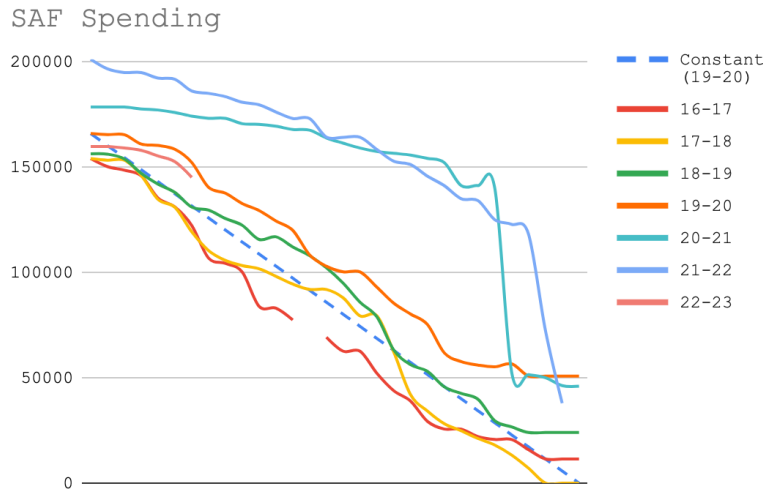
#### **MOTION PASSES**

- Sen. Eichele- how many applications did you get for commencement speakers?
  - Chair Schiro-3
- Equity and Inclusive Excellence
  - In search of commencement speakers
  - KEAP open house in the works
  - Cultural Appropriation posters for Halloween
  - Questions:
    - Sen. Roers- what kind of speaker, how long, timeline?
    - Chair Jones- flexible timeline, tight budget, focus on equity

- Student Services
  - Warrior Health Week in 2 weeks
  - Need lots of help, will put times for volunteers out soon
  - Warrior Cupboard PR and fundraising
  - No questions
- President's Report
  - Approval of Consent Agenda **-APPROVED**
  - All University Committee Updates
  - Sen. Wright-
    - tech committee- meeting last friday, library has VR headset for lab space for A&P students, cadaver lab without cadaver, can study for exams, public speaking practice, Data myting from D2L- info on how students use it, discovered one student of all freshman logged in,
    - Inclusion and Equity committee- equity design, equity snapshot, compare our university to other universities in MN state system and United States universities
  - Homecoming
    - Coronation on Sunday 7pm Somsen Auditorium
  - Democracy Cup & GOTV Meet and Greet
    - Went well, super successful
  - One on One's
    - 50 options, please do not take other's slots, highlighted green for President purposes
  - Reception at President Olson's House
    - RSVP please!
    - Mandatory, need number count
    - Check facebook for updates
  - No questions
- Vice President's Report
  - Office hours
    - Please be on top of this
  - Volunteer Hours/Events
    - Put these in 2 hrs of volunteer and 2 events are mandatory form senators
  - Questions

- Sen. Houssain- each event counts as one?
  - Pres. M. Olson- Volunteer hours are 2 per semester, 2 events must be attended per semester

- Treasurer's Report



- - SAF Account Balance: \$145,126.39
  - SAF Account Balance after approval of Consent Agenda: \$139,106.93
  - SAF Account Balance after approval of Unfinished Business: \$138,706.18
  - Senate Account: \$30,956.01
  - Steep decline, not good or bad
  - No questions
- Unfinished Business
  - none
- New Business
  - *Whereas*, Student Senate is a prestigious club for Winona State University students to be a part of,
  
  - Whereas*, in previous years, if Student Senators sit on Senate for at least one academic year, they get a graduation cord,
  
  - Whereas*, Student Senate would like to ensure that all students who have sat on WSUSS previously, get a cord,
  
  - Therefore be it resolved*, WSUSS allocates \$254 from the Student Senate operating budget to Tracy Rahim to purchase 25 graduation cords.



Moved by: Senator Eichele

Seconded by: Senator Lopez

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DISCUSSION ON MOTION

- Sen. Eichele- this is traditional for senate, good keepsake during graduation and post graduation, respectful gesture
- Sen. Lopez- seniors deserve cord for dedication, not just senate team but through university
- Sen. Wright- Clarification needed for “previously” wording
  - Pres. M. Olson- means to recognize seniors graduating this year that served for a year and are no longer on senate

**AUTOMATICALLY TABLED FOR ONE WEEK**

- Comments from the Gallery
  - Tracy- homecoming fun details
  - Dr. McDowell
    - Unpacking the idea of “feeling safe”
    - agreeing to disagree conversations
      - TedTalk Tuesdays
      - “College is a dress rehearsal for life”
- Comments for the Good of the Order
- Adjournment Wright, Brandon

**Consent Agenda**

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| SBO post pep band social  | \$34.16    |
| HOPE wisconsin health and PE conference                             | \$1,500.00 |
| Physical ed club state conferences                                  | \$1,500.00 |
| WSU college republicans speaker                                     | \$70.50    |
| PRSSA welcome meeting   | \$19.90    |
| Environmental club activity   | \$54.00    |
| WSU junior nursing club meet and greet pizza party tabled from 9/26 | \$184.68   |
| SBO Post pep band social  | \$96.60    |

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| Wenonah Players homecoming parade                  | \$91.94           |
| NRHH club T shirts                                 | \$210.00          |
| InterVarsity Week 7                                | \$23.36           |
| Geology Club Orchard Trip                          | \$283.70          |
| WSU Pre Dental meeting                             | \$9.20            |
| Student Association of Social Workers club meeting | \$82.09           |
| Chinese Students and Scholars snack party          | \$432.75          |
| Unified Warriors T shirts                          | \$432.00          |
| Asian Student Nation halloween night meeting       | \$80.81           |
| SCEC hoco club fair                                | \$30.58           |
| Human Resource management printing flyers          | \$56.25           |
| Sigma Sigma Sigma recruitment                      | \$331.80          |
| Circle K international trash pick up               | \$27.47           |
| Clinical Exercise Science bingo ice cream          | \$62.59           |
| Philosophy Club What we owe each other             | \$35.49           |
| SOL hoco parade                                    | \$161.54          |
| Psychology Club meet the professors                | \$83.85           |
| Philosophy Club free will                          | \$35.49           |
| InterVarsity 123 Rec Night                         | \$88.78           |
| <b>Total</b>                                       | <b>\$6,019.53</b> |