

Tuesday, September 22, 2020
Winona State Student Senate Meeting
5 PM via Zoom

Call to Order: **5:00 pm**

Roll Call: **Quorum**

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| President Kuerschner | x |
| Vice President Hansen | x |
| Treasurer Mercier | x |
| Director Christensen | x |
| Director Elliott | x |
| E.A. Harper | x |
| Chair Collins | x |
| Chair Lavan | x |
| Chair Olson | x |
| Senator Amy | UA |
| Senator Cup | x |
| Senator Drewry | x |
| Senator Elford | x |
| Senator Groebner | x |
| Senator Holm | x |
| Senator Lancaster | x |
| Senator Momou | EA |

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| Senator Pfaffenbach | x |
| Senator Phan | x |
| Senator Podberetskaya | x |
| Senator Rosenberg | x |
| Senator VandenLangenberg | x |
| Senator Wagner | EA |
| Senator Yang | x |

Land Recognition Statement

Approval of Weekly Meeting Minutes: **Approved**

Approval of Agenda: **Approved**

- Organizational Reports
 - Warrior Entertainment Network
 - Thursday 24th, Origami Event 7-9 pm Lower Hyphen
 - October 2nd Kryszko After Dark Event 9-12, games, circus
 - Nate and Ally's, October 9th, Free ice cream-Bring your Student ID!
 - RHA-N/A
 - Greek Council-N/A
 - Director of Communications
 - Senate Merch design
 - Cabinet pick favorites for merch
 - Design in Facebook page and vote on favorite
 - Quarantine over, schedule headshots soon
 - Executive Assistant
 - October bonding event soon
 - Alliance of Student Organizations Director
 - Requests caught up 106 clubs active and good to go for the year
 - 42 haven't started and rest to approve
 - Remind clubs by October 1st
- Guest Speakers

- IWC Non-Clinical Directors - And Kate Nolke's Birthday
 - Kate Nolke:
 - Working with solutions to come up for facility and institution safe
 - Aware of inaccessibility issues and impact students
 - Coming up with initiatives after covid
 - Moving forward with low risk sports, 3 of them
 - Creative with team building activities, 17 clubs, 750 clubs
 - 1500 students in intramurals
 - Connect with university and reinvesting in intramurals programs
 - Freedom and leadership
 - Director Christensen-What are low risk sports?
 - Kate Nolke said Tennis, Bowling, Fishing
 - Senator Lancaster, hope of higher risk and teams
 - Kate Nolke said hope so and playing it safe and working with colleagues
 - Senator Phan
 - Ask if medium level sports will figure out activity this semester?
 - Kate Nolke said rec sports and challenge for teams
 - Kate Nolke said Work with Mark Bambenek and leaders on campus
 - Kate Nolke said Skill drills, need ideas, getting activities looking into medium and high risk

Kate Nolke:

- Commented on Warrior cupboard and food insecurity
- Jedd campus program
- Mental health for students of color and GBV work
- In coordination with Karen Johnson and McDowell and review of job description
- Engage prevention work and beginning of October
- Advocate position with Equity
- Know people who are struggling with Title 9 and talking with Lori Mikl
- Advocacy with success through adversity for survivors and ally's
- Jedd Campus program-3 years and opportunity health mind survey

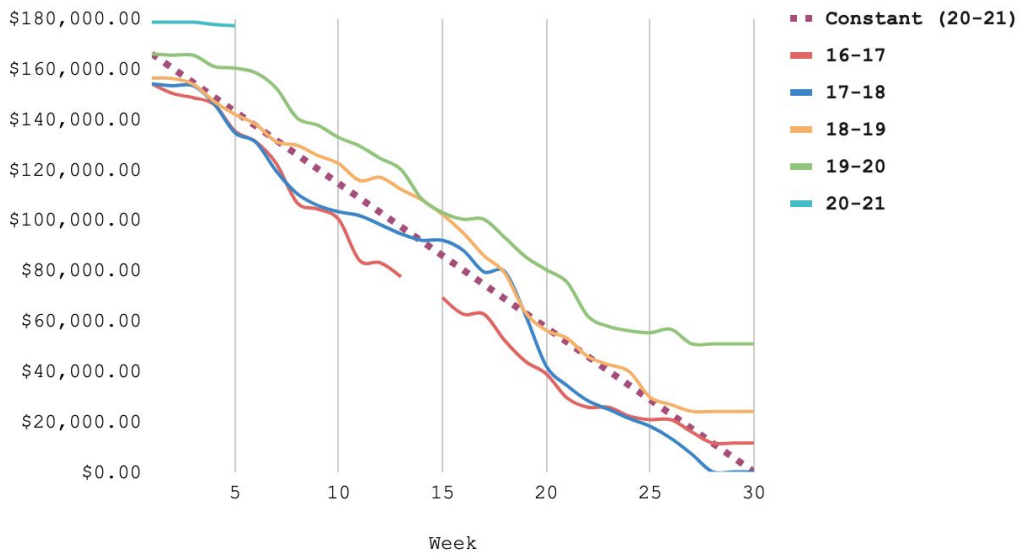
- Warrior Cupboard-\$2000 donations, hard for students with no face-to-face jobs, fundraising for the cupboard
 - Jeff Reinhart:
 - Commented on facilitators working for the students
 - Challenged to find connecting with students
 - Cabinet level of decisions of access to buildings and student life services
 - Connie Schmidt-commented on her communication with setting it up
 - Reserving equipment-45 minutes and thorough cleaning with IWC
 - Mark Bambenek:
 - Begin live fitness classes-IWC gym with 10 people
 - Increase student involvement
 - Low-risk sports got the green light
 - Advertising to start out and individual and small groups start here in October
 - Working with student union, eSports lounge, intramurals
 - Looking forward to next couple weeks of these events starting
- CARES Act Funds - Mari Livingston & President Olson
 - President Olson said Meet and Discuss question
 - Federal govt. to campuses and most students received, ½ to wsu for direct payments
 - American students and no international students
 - Set aside extra money for the emergency fund
 - Mari Livingston said started off with base fund to majority of students
 - 6,165 students with \$203 with Pell Grant Received-supplemental
 - 1, 663 students received for special circumstances and \$5,703
 - 805 applications need better explanation for legit application-need documentation
 - 578 students received supplemental funding \$990 average-\$100 low & \$5000 high
 - Fund helped cover rent, loss of employment, gone home with helping the family
 - Struggle with tuition-below \$1000 threshold

- Need to reach out to remaining 140 students-not able to cash their check, no direct deposit info or banking info
- \$28,000 remaining left to give out, sent messages, email, mail to figure out
 - Director Christensen-What would happen if you couldn't reach students and 28k funding go too?
 - Mari-students, get turned over to unclaimed to the state, and WSU could lose it if no distribution
- President Olson-how much time do we have left?
- Christensen offered WSUSS to help allocate funds
- President Olson welcomes student input of unclaimed money
- Senator Cup asks about the decision process-who is on the panel and makeup of ethnicities?
- Mari-Financial Aid counselors, all women, 1 male, caucasian
- Student Tolerance of Ambiguity - President Olson
 - For students ability to be on campus and involved and physically in class is important
 - Students prefer to be online and want certainty to be online versus in person
 - Want conversation with senate, survey, forums, voice of the students, student body
 - Benefit and cost-need certainty and stick with an approach
 - Prioritize with normalcy with on campus events, organizations, classes and tolerate ambiguity
 - Uncertainty=open up, Certainty=go home-online
 - Tolerate ambiguity-choice and react to online versus in person
 - Comments Spring Semester will be like Fall Semester
 - Senator Podberetskaya Commented on interest in survey, requirements for quarantine
 - Senator Cup-students want to have a voice, no interest in zoom and forums to face to face, and survey-respond more and strong opinion
 - Chair Collins-agree with Cup for survey, qualitative survey more so on quantitative, options on choice
 - Senator Phan-agree with survey, as a student fully read emails-possibility to professors-for extra credit to take survey
 - Senator Elford-agree with Chair Collins, explanation for decisions

- Senator Yang-survey to go online or in-person, appreciate the survey let students know the format for resources, logistically, financially
- Senator Holm-agree with survey and asked opinions, accurate response-no names to the survey, no opinion, anonymity-eliminate extra credit, extra credit-voice or just extra credit, tough to see their voice
- President Kuerschner stated anonymous email
- Director Christensen-negative outlook on survey- have to have incentive and need feedback, reach majority of students for feedback and emails read
- Senator Rosenberg suggested campus-wide email, Senators send out to the Colleges of the Senate
 - Senator Lancaster-asked question to President Olson-application process affect incoming freshman
 - President Olson worry of leaving, over ½ to be online, effect of students of incoming freshman, issues surrounding traditional experience, reregistered at the usual rate, unpredictable for enrollment-jobs
 - Senator Lancaster asks President Olson if the incoming class has tuition differential
 - President Olson no state and local decision, system level and enrollment never effect on tuition, level of state support to freeze tuition, tax collections plummeted in state legislature
 - President Olson stated state balanced budget, another CARES act to direct to students and university, possibility of after election
- Committee Reports
 - Academic Affairs: Chair Lavan
 - Productive meeting last week
 - Commencement-survey on feedback
 - Equity & Inclusive Excellence: Chair Collins
 - Doing great, front and back burners
 - Student Services: Chair Olson
 - Projects with Megan Martin with 2 Counselors-2 videos release to public soon
 - Senator Cup lead on project-picnic tables on campus
 - Arboretum committee to fund tables soon

- President's Report
 - Approval of Consent Agenda: **Approved**
 - All University Committee Updates-N/A
 - MarComm Weekly Videos
 - Series-seeking WSUSS and President Olson
 - Anyone interested in being a part of a video?
 - Words of wisdom, short video, experience in COVID
 - Students United Board Update
 - [Committees](#) (pg 6-7)
 - SPAC, LPAC, Internal Affairs, Delegates, Campus Engagement, Strategic Plan
 - Is anyone interested? November, March, and February meetings, no times yet-need enrollment in committees
 - Let President Kuerschner know who wants to be on these committees-need to know by November?
- Vice President's Report
 - Elections Open Next Monday
 - Ballots sent out Monday September 28th
 - Elections committee-Thursday 1st at 5 via Zoom to finalize election results
 - Orientation for New Senators
 - Recreate orientation for new senators
 - Makeup orientation for Senators October 3rd-12-2 makeup meeting from August
- Treasurer's Report
 - SAF Account Balance: \$177,578.20
 - SAF Account Balance after approval of Consent Agenda: \$177,272.23 (99.33%,
↓0.67%)
 - SAF Account Balance after approval of Unfinished Business: \$177,072.23 (99.22%,
↓0.78%)
 - Senate Account: \$30,410.22

SAF Spending



- Unfinished Business

Whereas, Winona Neighbors has helped students and community members throughout the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Whereas, WSUSS fully supports their commitment to our community.

Therefore be it resolved, WSUSS allocates \$1,000 from the SAF to Winona Neighbors for community gift cards.

Moved by: Senator Cup

Seconded by: Senator Phan

Senator Cup-commented on Winona Neighbors to present to represent community and students

Senator Phan-commented on great idea, great way to help out community and students

Chair Olson-discussion to see raise to higher amount

Chair Lavan-support in higher amount of money \$300-500

Director Christenson-piggyback and see increase in amount \$500

Senator Yang-question about allocate money to neighbors-how much gift card raise too

President Kuerschner-up to the neighbors and vote this week

Senator Lancaster-agree to keep it as is, as group approaches more, ask for more

Dean Johnson-\$25 per gift card and check with business office

Senator Cup move to make amendment to change to \$500

Senator Podberetskaya second on amendment

Senator Cup give \$500 to help students in community and come back and get more and give to students

Senator Podberetskaya-enough money in account during pandemic, good idea to raise amount more families

Discussion

Senator Holm-decrease need for funds like clubs, build community-important who we are

Senator Holm-move to amendment-allocates \$1000

Chair Lavan-second on amendment

Senator Holm stated good opportunity, community is struggling, promote unity

Chair Lavan stated spend money to community for need like gas and food

Discussion on \$1000

Director Christensen-good for community

Senator Cup-question for clarification for gift card amount

President Kuerschner- amount for gift cards and move money into separate account

Tracy Rahim commented on who giving to account-responsible employee to be in charge-wait to vote

Senator Cup asks curiosity to Winona give money to clubs different than Winona Neighbors

Tracy Rahim commented on how WSUSS went to get the cards and give to the group-how to get money and needs for the group

Senator Lancaster-called to question for good to vote for \$500 get more info before \$1000

Senator Cup-Second

Vote says yes, yes to \$1000

Discussion on \$200 or 1000\$

Senator Podberetskaya comments on keep on \$200 to see distributed, worried the process of distribution

President Kuerschner clarified

Senator Cup-Call to question

Chair Lavan-Second

Vote on amendment-Vote to discussion

Vote on amendment of \$1000 in motion-yes

Discussion on full motion to table-

Senator Lancaster-move to table

Senator Cup-Second

Senator Lancaster touch base on more information

Senator Cup-Second

Senator Cup stated Winona Neighbors need to have them at next meeting

Vote to table the motion

Motion **Tabled**

President Kuerschner-reach out to Kendra

- New Business-N/A
- Comments from the Gallery
 - Tracy commented on go outside and good conversation on today's meeting
 - Dr. McDowell says thank you and shared Connie McNamara message thanks to everyone, numbers are down and keep that way, extend thank you to students to isolate and quarantine, # in isolation-indicators of impact on campus
- Comments for the Good of the Order
- Adjournment
 - Chair Lavan call to adjourn
 - Chair Olson second at **7:04 pm** 09/22/2020

Consent Agenda

| RSO | Reason | Amount |
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| Women in Science and Engineering | Nasa Night Supplies | 61.00 |
| Public Health Club | Card Making Event | 244.97 |