

Tuesday, March 23, 2021

Winona State Student Senate Meeting

5 PM, WSU, Zoom

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

Roll Call: **Quorum**

President Kuerschner	x
Vice President Hansen	x
Treasurer Mercier	x
Director Christensen	x
Director Elliott	x
E.A. Harper	x
Chair Collins	x
Chair Olson	x
Senator Baltazar	x
Senator Beal-Lancaster	x
Senator Cup	x
Senator Drewry	x
Senator Elford	x
Senator Gort	x
Senator Groebner	x
Senator Huyck	x
Senator Krajefska	x

Senator Lavan	x
Senator Momou	x
Senator Mulhern-Allred	x
Senator Nagle	x
Senator Pfaffenbach	x
Senator Phan	x
Senator Phillips	x
Senator Prosser	x
Senator Roers	x
Senator Starr	x
Senator VandenLangenberg	x
Senator Wagner	x
Senator Weber	x
Senator Yang	x

Land Recognition Statement

Approval of Weekly Meeting Minutes: **Approved**

Approval of Agenda: **Approved**

- Organizational Reports
 - Warrior Entertainment Network
 - 3 events, Tomorrow 7 pm Jeopardy
 - Saturday 9 pm free bowling at Westgate
 - Next Tuesday, Museum night at MMAM
 - RHA
 - Greek Council
 - Director of Communications

- Executive Assistant
 - Order merch due March 28th
- Alliance of Student Organizations Director
 - Student awards
- Guest Speakers
 - Kate Noelke
 - Full Spectrum - Campus ID Cards
 - Katina Gehn
 - Kiara-important issue, students document?
 - Katina-Tyler Treptow-Bowman-get passed
 - Kiara-Chosen name/family?
 - Katina-old ID keep hold onto for safety, activate chosen name
 - WSU Spanish Language Club
 - Vice President Scott Ellinghuysen - Tuition and Budget Presentation
 - Treasurer Mercier-recommend 0% increase
 - Budget impact
 - Utility usage
 - 40% state fund 60% student tuition fund
 - \$5.2 million deficit
 - Senator Phan-receive money eligible
 - VP Dr. McDowell-this week formulas ready to disburse, FAFSA
 - Senator Elford-how much receive direct to WSU
 - VP Ellinghuysen-\$15 million
 - Senator Beal-Lancaster-decrease in enrollment
 - President Olson-world cafe-please attend
 - VP Dr. McDowell-scholarships, retention, recruiting
- Committee Reports
 - Equity and Inclusive Excellence

Whereas, many trans and nonbinary students do not use their deadname, they have to pay \$20-22 to get a new id.

Whereas, when trans and nonbinary students have their deadname on their card, these students could have a potential risk being outed or harmed.

Whereas, being able to have access to an id free of charge would lessen the risk of targeted harm.

Whereas, in 2015-16 the campus card fee was waived for the University Theme: Equity as a Human Right, with the goal to make institutional change around social justice.

Therefore be it resolved, we recommend that trans and nonbinary students have this fee waived.

Therefore be it further resolved, we recommend President K. writes a letter of support to President Olson asking for this change.

Chair Collins-committee supported, question, katina talk and write recommendation, important change, retention, trans and non binary students, deadname on application on campus card, lessen risk of being outed, who you are

- Senator Momou-passion in movement, agree shouldn't have to pay
- Senator Nagle-support, amazing
- Senator Groebner-support, better understanding, safety for trans and non binary students

Senator Groebner-Friendly amendment:

- President K to Kuerschner

Discussion:

-Senator Momou-express friends trans non binary community, dead and chosen name, issue face, important part of movement, relevant to them and 2021

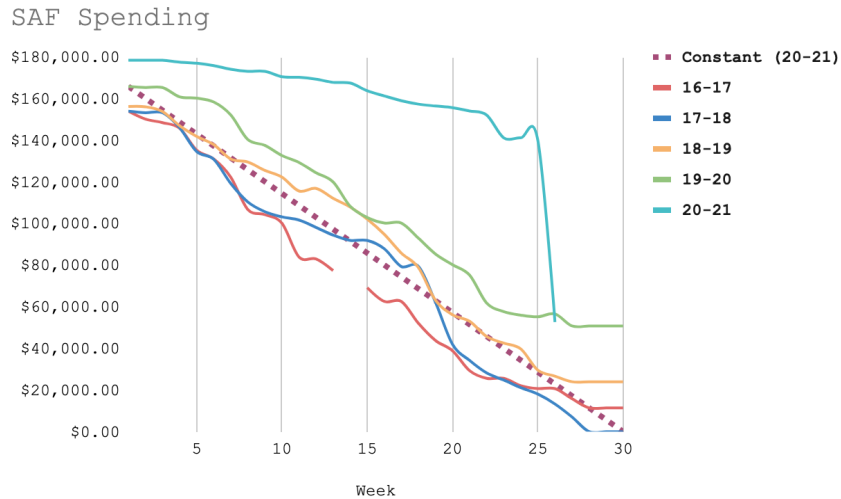
- Senator Phan-full support

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- Student Services
 - Purple pass project
 - Nate and Ally's
 - YMCA
 - Promotion on social media
 - Successful events ahead
- President's Report
 - Approval of Consent Agenda: **Approved**
 - All University Committee Updates
 - Senator Weber-Accreditation Committee- send out survey to students and on teams soon
 - Seniors + Commencement
 - Leaving WSU, send President Kuerschner a message

- In person name reading
 - Restrictions loosened
 - More info soon to come from admin
 - President's KQAL Radio Show
 - Support President Kuerschner and President Olson
 - Meet and Discuss
 - Need more students for March 31st, 3 pm
 - Warrior's LEAD Summit
 - 10am - 1pm, snack provided for the LEAD Summit
 - This Saturday
 - Keynote via Zoom
- Vice President's Report
 - Elections Committee Recommendation for Academic Year 2021-2022
 - President: Kaitlyn Mercier
 - Vice President: Malorie Olson
 - Treasurer: Kaileigh Weber
 - Senior Seat: Josie Groebner
 - Junior Seat: David Zeutzius
 - Junior Seat: Anya Hytry
 - Sophomore Seat: Mitchell Prosser
 - Sophomore Seat: Ember Brandon
 - College of Nursing and Health Sciences: Calli Roers
 - College of Science and Engineering: Kyler Phan
 - College of Science and Engineering: Kathryn Senchea
 - College of Business: Teresa Anderson
 - College of Business: Abdiraham Mahamood
 - College of Education: Elise Gort
 - College of Education: Hunter Jones
 - College of Liberal Arts: Anasia Phillips
 - College of Liberal Arts: Roberta Kennedy
 - College of Liberal Arts: Caitlin Goette
 - College of Liberal Arts: Robert Beal-Lancaster
- Treasurer's Report
 - SAF Account Balance: \$139,903.98

- SAF Account Balance after approval of Consent Agenda: \$52,664.67 (29.51%, ↓70.49%)
- Senate Account: \$14,029.52



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○ SFMC Recommendations:

- WSUSS recommends a 0% increase to the Tuition Fee [as presented](#).
- Treasurer Mercier-university needs more money
- Senator Wagner-sit on sfmc, university in deficit, not like to see 0%, see more %
- Senator Cup-affect for next year's SFMC?
- Treasurer Mercier-not have conversation about next year
- President Kuerschner-student life fee different than tuition fee
- Chair Olson-agree with motion, students represent

Motion to amendment:

- Motion to amend: Senator Beal-Lancaster raise-3%
- Seconded by: Senator Roers
- Senator Beal-Lancaster-university needs money, help deficit
- Senator Roers-impact on students, pay more, quality education
- Senator VandenLangenberg-3% a lot, unfair, students recover, financial strain
- Senator Krajefska-poverty, Rochester campus, don't agree, struggle
- Chair Olson-support 0%
- Senator Pfaffenbach-enrollment down, students struggle

- Senator Prosser-don't support 3%, Minnstate schools cheaper
- Senator Beal-Lancaster-lowest paying tuition in entire area, affect education, affect everyone here
- Senator Momou-enrollment rates apply for schools
- Senator Phan-support 0%, increase transfer affordable, drop in students
- Treasurer Mercier-more money, advocate for students
- Senator Huyck-consequence, privilege position, pandemic, commitment, socioeconomic status
- Senator Lavan-worried about next semester
- EA Harper-best interest of students, future of students
- Senator Mulhern-Allred-fortunate, not support increase
- Senator Nagle-not support 3%

- Senator Elford-call to question
- Seconded by-Senator Weber
- End discussion on amendment

- Vote on amendment

AMENDMENT: NOT APPROVED

- Back to 0%

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Discussion:

- President Kuerschner- 135a.01
 - Minnesota State Statute 135A.01 mandates the state legislature to fund all public, higher education institutions' tuition at 67%. WSU is currently funded at ~40% by the state legislature which means students fund tuition at ~60%
 - Email Representative Gene Pelowski or Senator Jeremy Miller with everything that you said about how the cost of college is negatively impacting your life and why they should give more money to colleges and universities
- EA Harper in chat-<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/135A.01>
- WSUSS recommends a 0% increase to the Student Life Fee as presented.

- Treasurer Mercier-in teams
- Discussion-
 - Senator Cup, full support, student life fee
 - Mercier-advocate, not have official language
 - Mercier-can't continue, raise it if enrollment does not increase

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- Unfinished Business

WSUSS recommends a [0% increase](#) to the Room & Board Fee [as presented](#).

Moved By: SFMC

Treasurer Mercier-dining plans, roommates next year

Senator Phan-pricy, expensive use on campus, 0% support

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- New Business
- Comments from the Gallery
- VP Dr. McDowell-appreciate conversation about tuition, like the idea of framing in state of WSU the values, tough year, affordable and quality of WSU, use your voice
- Tracy Rahim-congrats on elections, world cafe
- Dean Johnson-last meeting with SFMC, honor to serve with students and deliberations
- Comments for the Good of the Order
- Adjournment at **7:14 pm** on 03.23.2021
- Motion to adjourn: Chair Olson
- Seconded by: Senator Yang

Consent Agenda

RSO	Reason	Amount
Winona Super Smash Brothers	Club Equipment	\$993.30
F.R.A.M.E	Club Equipment & Apparel	\$900.64
Winona State On The Fly	Trash Clean-Up Event	\$124.00
Spanish Language Club	Printing	\$22.50

Winona Gaming Community	Chartwells Catering	\$254.26
RTTR Student Association	Pour Painting Event	\$212.53
Student International Literacy Association	March Meeting Supplies	\$18.25
Spanish Language Club	Trivia Night Event	\$18.83

Chair Olson to Judicial Committee

Senator Weber to Judicial Committee