

Tuesday, October 13, 2020

Winona State Student Senate Meeting

5 PM via 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	ET
Chair Collins	x
Chair Lavan	x
Chair Olson	x
Senator Cup	x
Senator Drewry	x
Senator Elford	x
Senator Gort	x
Senator Groebner	x
Senator Holm	EA
Senator Krajefska	x
Senator Lancaster	UT

Senator Momou	x
Senator Nagle	x
Senator Pfaffenbach	x
Senator Phan	x
Senator Phillips	x
Senator Podberetskaya	x
Senator Prosser	x
Senator Roers	x
Senator Rosenberg	x
Senator Starr	UT
Senator VandenLangenberg	EA
Senator Wagner	UT
Senator Weber	x
Senator Yang	x

Land Recognition Statement

Approval of Weekly Meeting Minutes: **Approved**

Approval of Agenda: **Approved**

- Organizational Reports
 - Warrior Entertainment Network
 - RHA
 - Greek Council
 - Director of Communications
 - Headshots survey in the Facebook page
 - Tomorrow is the first available day for headshots
 - Attended spirit week and took some lit pics

- Executive Assistant
 - Stay tuned with merch
 - Bonding events
- Alliance of Student Organizations Director
 - Judicial Committee [Recommendation](#)
 - Club dissolution
 - I will put the names of the clubs in the minutes for later
 - Senator Pfaffenbach voiced support
 - **Approved**
 - ASO Weekly Emails
 - Sending out weekly emails to club officers
 - Ya wanna get the word out on an event? Email Director Christensen and she will include it in the email
- Guest Speakers
 - President Olson & VP McDowell - Changes to Spring Break 2021
 - Olson- 4 approaches
 - 1- Approach, Spring break ppl go places
 - 2-Recognize what LaCrosse is doing
 - 3-end early, issues with financial aid
 - 4-Cancel spring break, scatter different days
 - Eliminate spring, start on time, end earlier 1 week
 - Senator Pfaffenbach-input and feedback, majority of class online-ppl go somewhere and risk and adding week, 5 weeks-long, ending week early-hard logistically, family plans for graduation
 - Senator Elford-covid not go away soon, spreading out days-downfall with classes, 5 weeks, opinion-affect students lives, end earlier and start earlier
 - President Olson appreciates feedback
 - Senator Elford-end week earlier? Move graduation ahead one week?
 - President Olson said could have 1 week between end of class and finals-study week
 - Senator Podberetskaya-if do spring break, 2 week quarantine
 - President Olson-like labor day

- Senator Podberetskaya-december commence
 - President Olson-graduation online this December
- Director Christensen-concerned as student, changing schedules when end of year and spring and negative feedback from students, engagement, did like idea of 2 week quarantine after labor day, commencement for students know how important and proud is of students, 1st gen
- Chair Lavan-send out survey to student body
- President Olson-survey provide explanation/pros/cons-ppl less inclined to do it, yes or no spring break-not create expectations vs results information from WSUSS or MDH
- VP McDowell-look into creating survey
- Chair Lavan-better represent students and hesitant about survey talk at next covid forum
- Senator Nagle-thanks, adding on week break, burnt out, 2 week quarantine
- Senator Phan-support, change schedule be hard, changing not as beneficial and feel like planners out there, family plans over spring break, days off difficult with labs, late starts
- Chair Collins-first gen, consideration with commencement-2 quarantine support, spring break catch up work, travel plans, family considerations, consider people in residential halls,
- Senator Momou-likes extension, scholarships, extra week add coursework, liberal arts
- President Olson-liberal arts and reset for classes
- Senator Krajefska-don't want to come back, parents have kids, Rochester
- President Olson-needs for rochester students
 - Senator Cup-why decision different than thanksgiving
 - President Olson-thanksgiving-late of semester, spring break in middle, difference-finish line not as close
 - Senator Cup-expected to graduate spring and fall?
 - President Olson-numbers Dec.-2019-500 May- 2019-1000-about same this year-graduates
 - Senator Cup-break for mental health between winter and classes, wsuss priority, online, no difference between beach and on homes
 - President Olson-comments on 3 weeks of spring break and goals of quarantine
 - Senator Cup-outside change the numbers
 - President Olson-ended month earlier-weather dependent, state of mn
 - Senator Cup-support, add or take away for mental health of students

- Senator Phillips-in favor end week earlier, mental health worry, add 3 day weekend, week early-commencement same day, week between “dead week”
- President Olson-support ideas
- Senator Prosser-revisit topic after thanksgiving students come back after thanksgiving, early to talk about it, things can change, input
 - President Kuerschner 1st senate meeting 1st week of classes
 - President Olson-meet feedback after thanksgiving-possible
 - President Kuerschner could call emergency meeting
- Chair Lavan-concern student burnout, spring break healthcare and move spring break for covid, long weekend-idea
- Senator Roers-decision sooner than later, plans for spring break, sooner to students-adjustments to schedules and plans and consider cut 5 day spring to 1-2 day break
- Senator Yang-resilience, change to adapt and adjust, intentions of safety, support it
- President Olson-resilience is an asset
- Senator Pfaffenbach-yield
- Senator Nagle-possible with situation, take out spring break, reach out to professors-incorporate class schedule-break-spread days out
- President Olson-assignment?
- Senator Nagle-get rid of spring break, alternative spread days spring break out professors-take control to incorporate 5 days off schedules at different times
 - President Olson-considerations
President Kuerschner-feedback
 - President Olson-resolution
 - President Kuerschner-encourage resolution
- Senator Cup question to President Olson-come back to talk about options
- President Kuerschner only options right now-preliminary, discussion more

Committee Reports

- Academic Affairs: Chair Lavan
 - Commencement and meeting with Julie Lutz, speaker process, care packages

- International students-insurance meeting this next week
- Equity & Inclusive Excellence: Chair Collins
 - Newsletter going out via WSU update-this next week “Woke Warrior”
 - Advocacy, activism focused, cultural appropriation and domestic awareness
 - Safe Space training-October 24th
- Student Services: Chair Olson
 - New projects-Meet counselor campaign-social media soon
 - GMW appreciation
 - Spirit week
- President’s Report
 - Approval of Consent Agenda: **Approved**
 - All-University Committee Updates
 - Senator Pfaffenbach-policy committee-policy definition and more meetings to come
 - Pedestrian Safety Committee
 - Winona City-WSU and wsu students, interested-for fun-let President Kuerschner know
 - Bike lanes-huff street, redo roadway
 - Treasurer Mercier encouraged to join
 - Students United Committees
 - Let know if interested, by October 26th-need to know and look in teams
 - 1:1 Meetings-going great, via Zoom
- Vice President’s Report
 - Safe Space Training Requirement
 - Fulfill in place of PACT training and 1 time throughout academic year, Saturday, October 24th at 2:30 via Zoom and invite-let Chair Collins know
 - Committee Attendance -
 - Remember to go to the committees!!
 - Let Chairs know if can’t make it
 - Position Descriptions
 - Charges for each committee, best policies
- Treasurer’s Report
 - SAF Account Balance: \$174,167.30
 - SAF Account Balance after approval of Consent Agenda: \$173,646.48 (97.30%, ↓2.70%)

- SAF Account Balance after approval of Unfinished Business: \$173,163.48 (97.03%%, ↓2.97%)
- Senate Account: \$ 28,397.64
- Consent Agenda Item:
 - New tabs on directory and funding review form
 - Clubs-get put up at 8 pm
- Unfinished Business

Whereas, there are Winona community members and WSU students who greatly benefit from the annual Dream Closet and the clothing donations

Whereas, now more than ever students and community members need extra assistance

Therefore be it resolved, that WSUSS supports Dream Closets initiatives and allocates \$483 from the SAF account for supplies for the Fall 2020 Dream Closet Event

Moved by: Senator Pfaffenbach
 Seconded by: Director Christensen

Senator Pfaffenbach-important and great cause
 Director Christensen-yield to redundancy

Discussion-N/A
Motion Approved

- New Business-N/A
- Comments from the Gallery
 - Dr. McDowell-activities for spirit week and IWC is open and eSports Lounge is open and workshops/seminars-please participate, stay healthy
- Comments for the Good of the Order
- Adjournment
 - Motion to adjourn: Senator Podberetskaya
 - Second: Chair Olson
 - 10/13/2020 at **6:42 pm**

Consent Agenda

RSO	Reason	Amount
Student International Literacy Association	Club Yard Sign	\$6.44
Circle K International	Club Yard Sign	\$17.75
Winona State Hip Hop	Club Yard Sign	\$18.20
Women in Science and Engineering	Club Apparel	\$340.00
Beta Beta Beta National Biological Honor Society	Club Apparel	\$110.00
Computer Science Club	Food and Beverage	\$28.43

Approve Dream Closet

Senator Momou to Academic Affairs