

**Tuesday, September 6, 2022**  
Winona State Student Senate Meeting  
5 PM, Purple Room, WSU

Call to Order: 5 pm

Roll Call: completed by VP Hytry

X- attended, UT- unexcused tardy, ET- Excused Tardy,

President Olson x

Vice President Hytry x

Treasurer Rieken x

Director Endreson x

Director Johnson x

Chair Carman x

Chair Jones x

Chair Schiro x

Senator Brandon x

Senator Carman x

Senator Eichele x

Senator Hermerding x

Senator McCuskey x

Senator Roers x

Senator Sherchan x

Senator Stromgren x

Senator Weber x

Senator Westcott x

Senator Wright x

Land Recognition Statement -Completed by P Olson

Approval of Weekly Meeting Minutes:Approved by P Olson

## Approval of Agenda:

- Organizational Reports
  - Warrior Entertainment Network
    - I heart WSU day, tickets to comedien Sept. 23rd
    - Thurs. Grocery bingo 11-2 at gazebo
    - No questions
  - Greek Council
    - n/a
  - Director of Communications
    - Social media posts
  - Executive Assistant
    - Staff bonding
  - Alliance of Student Organizations Director
    - 26 clubs did not attend
    - Make up quiz
    - Club fair tomorrow 1-4
    - WGDY, confirmation emails
- Guest Speakers
  - Bird Scooters - Mayor Scott Sherman
    - Signed an agreement to bring micromobility to city
    - Only within city
    - Complaints
    - ADA compliance with scooter parking, left on sidewalk
    - How the app works, personally tested the app
    - Throttle down, no ride down, will not slow down, only when off throttle
    - Previously thought it slowed down in safety mode, does not
    - Student feedback wanted (ride zones/no ride zones)
    - Levee Park is a “no ride zone”
    - Concerns about bluetooth/hacking
    - Chair Jones- shut off at 10pm? Confirmed by Mayor Sherman
    - Will not be available in the winter
    - Chair Jones-nice for students that do not have cars
    - Micromobility will help students, businesses, those who cannot buy car
    - Senator Eichele- complaints? Feedback?

- Mayor Sherman- tries to understand demographic/use of Bird scooters, notices a bit of everything, “moving organically”, will potentially ask for “heat map”
    - “One sank in the river”
  - Senator Johnson- thought about expanding to bikes?
    - Mayor Sherman- would like to, “No reason that we shouldn’t be using more alternative transportation”
    - Winona’s first contract, other companies are projected to reach out
    - “Winonans are resistant to change, with time that will change”
    - Bikes would open up what you could carry with them
    - Potential for danger with current students carrying bags on scooters
  - Senator Johnson- bike lanes accessible to bird scooters/bikes?
    - Infrastructure needs to be planned out because there are many steps
    - New council did not vote-in bike/pedestrian infrastructure
    - “We have a lot of work to do here, it will move glacially”
    - “Has potential to be best bike/pedestrian infrastructure”
  - Chair Carman- injuries? Enforcement?
    - Mayor Sherman- one car accident with a bird scooter that he knows of, Bird Scooter was not where he was supposed to be
    - “Altercations with car almost every day up in the cities
    - Hefty insurance policy
    - Scooters protected from issues
    - Enforcement comes from police
  - Chair Schiro- how many do we have
    - Mayor Sherman- ordinance for up to 150, have space to entertain more companies
  - Senator Johnson- how much to expand to Lake Lodge?
    - Mayor Sherman- seasonal pass, approachable, if low income, still have opportunity
    - Nonprofits donate bikes if in need
  - Please reach out
- Winona County Restorative Justice - Kylie Davison and Katie Illies
    - Second chance to keep convictional marks off record

- Compassionate response to crime
- Safety for community
- Restorative Justice Circles- respect and on the same page
- Community work service
- Life skills course
- Can earn credit for education
- School conference to provide alternatives to suspension/detention
- Truancy early intervention
- Mentoring program- asking for mentors 1:1 winona youth ages 10-18
- Group activities 1/month
- Gift card package
- Application found on website
- Background check needed, references, 7 question questionnaire
- Referrals
- Match process
- Meet with mentee 1/week for around 8 hours a month
- 1 year commitment
- 18 or older
- Give an honest try
- Senator Weber- average mentees/mentors?
  - Average of 12
- Senator Roers- specific major you are looking for?
  - Any
- Senator Eichele- success in the past of the program?
  - Very successful, group outings are huge
- LESS Project - James Goblirsch and Nathan Engstrom
  - Sustainability Director
  - \$12 million energy and conservation and sustainability
  - Interior/Exterior lighting
  - Plumbing updates
  - Looking for things to update
  - Diesel energy (installed air pumps)
  - Memorial pool (eliminate need for liquid chlorine)
  - Smart irrigation system

- Reducing energy and maintenance costs with upgrades
  - Recycling dollars for other projects (reallocating)
  - Improving spaces- \$26 million accumulated over 25 years
  - Reducing utility, carbon, water consumption
  - Financial and environmental environments
  - Largest energy project in Minnstate System
  - 1.4 megawatts from solar panels
  - IWC carport, does a lot of good
  - Senator Carman- under appreciation of project on campus
  - Senator Hermerding- Snow on solar panels?
    - Panel heat, low friction, math accounts for it
  - Senator Brandon- Could potentially lower tuition?
    - Speaker Engstrom- no guarantees
- Committee Reports
  - Academic Affairs
    - Provost Newton (meet next week)
  - Equity and Inclusive Excellence
    - Potential Speakers
    - KEAP open house in the works
    - Posters
  - Student Services
    - Event planning
    - Warrior Cupboard visit after new senators join us
    - Warrior Health Week (Oct. 23rd-29th) Regards all aspects of health
    - Dr. Osgood still looking for people interested in food insecurity
- President's Report
  - Approval of Consent Agenda
    - No objections
  - All University Committee Updates
    - none
  - State Listening Session
    - Hosted in Rochester
    - Give testimony of state surplus
    - Think big!

- Sept. 19th
    - Reach out to President Olson if wanted
  - Resignation
    - Graham Wibstad
- Vice President's Report
  - Committee Recommendation
    - Consolidate E-board ticket
    - Argument- smoother election, less confusing (all of them, none of them)
    - Senator Carman- treasurer, do not want to go, eliminates miscommunication
    - Senator Roers- could end up getting elected with opposing team, putting them together makes more sense
    - Vote: motion passed
  - Elections Applications Update
    - We have 12, one rochester, looking for grad student
  - WGDY 11-1 tabling, sign up to work
  - I heart WSU, stop by
  - Put in office hours, would like to stay on top of that
  - 3 more people for elections committee 22 September
    - Weber- seat that had resignation be on ballot?
      - President Olson- Yes
- Treasurer's Report
  - SAF Account Balance: \$159,716.13
  - SAF Account Balance after approval of Consent Agenda: \$159,716.13
  - SAF Account Balance after approval of Unfinished Business: \$159,716.13
  - Senate Account: \$30,938.82
- Unfinished Business
  - none
- New Business
  - none
- Comments from the Gallery
  - Construction- SAC Affinity plus banking Wednesdays and Thursdays financial advice
  - Zanes construction delayed, disputes about engineers (wrap up by end of the month)
  - Upstairs will wrap up by the end of this week
  - Fire feature project begun 3-4 week construction period, done by homecoming

- Meditation room (outrageous costs caused delay) will be on hold, review this fall, spring of 2022. Contributed 25,000 quotes came in around 100,000.
- Outdoor fireplace needs a name, ask formally next week. (Fireplace, fire plaza, etc.)
- Tracy rahim
  - thanks for I heart WSU day involvement, WGDx,
- Comments for the Good of the Order
- Adjournment 6:23 pm
  - Wright, Brandon

**Consent Agenda**
