

# Senate Meeting

1965 Room

10/24/2022 5:15 PM

- I. Call to Order: 5:16pm
- II. Roll Call:
- III. Approval of the Minutes
  - a) So Moved: James
  - b) Second: Isaac
  - c) Discussion: None
  - d) Voice Vote, Motion Passes
- IV. Approval of the Agenda
  - a) So Moved: Lucas
  - b) Second: Zea
  - c) Discussion: None
  - d) Voice Vote, Motion Passes
- V. Reports
  - a) President:
    - Jasmine: 1:1 with Katie L to discuss leadership styles, future goals for the admin, and how to accomplish them. 3:2 with Katie, Adam, Zea, Alex and I to discuss what we would like to see at upcoming meetings, what kind of presenters we'd like to see. If anyone has insight on who they'd like to see come in to talk and/or ask



questions, reach out to Zea, Alex or I. Was supposed to go to President's Councils but was cancelled last minute, not sure why. Meeting scheduled with Dr. King later this week.

• Jasmine: With midterms this week, if you need to take a step back this week, we understand. Your mental health and academics are more important than SGA.

# b) Vice President:

• Alex: 3:1, met with Adam for 1:1 to discuss building rapport and getting people engaged/active with SGA, recruitment.

### c) Student Court:

 No new court applications so far, hopefully will change soon. Trying to keep up with Presidents' meetings.

#### d) Speaker of the Senate:

- Zea: #1 The link for the survey is live, first two responses are about food, good way to fill out anonymously and submit ideas. #2 Had a 1:1 with adam and 2:1 with Adam and Katie L for engagement. #3 Events will be options for office hours,
- #4 Halfway thru 1:1s, schedule via canvas if you haven't yet. #5 office hours are optional this week due to midterms.

## e) RHAA: No report

#### f) Parliamentarian:

 Riley: According to rules, whenever rules and bylaws are vague, the speaker is supposed to interpret rules with my advice. Two words were defined – a senator



may be removed if a senator is not attending a meeting with 2 excused or 1 unexcused absence. These rules are undefined in all bylaws except for SUFAC (member of committee has to notify an executive that they cannot attend in 24 hours in advance, and extenuating circumstances would go to the chair). Is that how we would like to interpret that rule, Zea?

1. Zea: Yes

### g) Advisors:

- Katie L: Did have some great meetings last week with leadership team.
- Katie L: Wednesday 4:00pm-5:15pm 1965 Room Healthy Choices Task Force is hosting a workshop on assertive communication and get some chances to practice with people around you. Snacks available beforehand.
- Katie L: Basketball teams put out promo schedules, including couple of nights for buses to the Resch for mens games and giveaways. Games start tomorrow (10/25 vs St Norbert)
- Adam: Continuing to wanting to build SGA and bring more voices through survey,
   people. Please take care of yourselves during midterms and whatever presence
   SGA can have at events would be great.

#### VI. New Business

- a) General Education Requirements Presentation Dr. Valerie Murrenus Pilmaier, English
   Prof, Co-Chair WGS, Gen Ed Requirements Working Group
  - Dr. Murrenus Pilmaier gave a survey about Gen Eds on campus. Mission changed in 2018 with a focus on access. Overall recommendation brought by HLC and



Comprehensive Program Review. Missing student involvement in committee, if someone is available please let me know. Key issues were access, omissions, transferability, and distinctiveness. Some key positives considered from alumni, staff, faculty, community involved – solid framework, variety of course options, breadth and perspective offerings commensurate with national best practice recommended, FYS & Capstone. Challenges included 435 courses counting as gen eds, too many prerequisites or fall in 300-400 level categories, confusing to students, gen eds not distinctive to students or faculty, students can successfully avoid courses/skills that they do not want to take. Inquiry questions asked in committee were around essential skills, values. Framework based in skills, dispositions, and knowledge. Current omissions included ethics and social responsibility (given the current divisive climate), inquiry and information literacy, civics, oral communication, increase in scientific method/qualitative literacy courses.

- Valerie presented several different options (available from SGA upon request; can be accessed via UWGB website – office of the provost – gen ed realignment)
  - 1. Abbi: What class would count as Inquiry sand Informational Literacy
    - a. Philosophy would be inquiry, the info lit is being actively discussed.
  - 2. Jasmine: Asked for clarification on information literacy
    - a. That would be evaluation of information in your courses. Could be either standalone courses or "peppered" into other courses
- Valerie: We are not trying to add or subtract the total number of credits in gen ed.



At the bottom of the page is a feedback button, please submit feedback. We want to roll out our Gen Ed program by Fall 2024.

- 1. Hannah: When does the committee meet?
  - a. Valerie gave the time
    - i. Hannah: I will speak to you after the meeting
- Valerie: Looking to submit models by November and have it planned out by May.
- b) UW System Sustainability Conference Presenter: Katie Hieb, Environmental Affairs Chair
  - Katie H: Sustainability Conference Nov 10 and 11 here at UWGB. The group will meet to discuss how the UW System as a whole can work on sustainability without a particular focus on one university. The conference is here this year and we will get to show off how sustainable we can be. Students are attended to come, but students with knowledge about environmental sustainability will get the most.

    Registration link will be sent out. \$20 fee for students, but I can get that waived if need be. We do need help with registration on both days, tours on day 2, leading round tables.

# VII. Upcoming Events

- a) These will now count towards office hours!
  - Alex: Office hours are meant to be a time for student outreach, so this would count for that.
  - Zea: This will not be sent out in the agenda. If it's a student org or something that you can talk to students about, this will count. Just submit proof.
    - 1. Riley: Will you be expected to promote SGA?



- a. Zea: Do not be scary, but yeah.
- b. Katie: Maybe introduce yourself to the host, not be super scary?
- c. Zea: might post on social media.
- d. Katie: If a student is employed by a group at the event, can you count?
  - i. Zea: For now, hesitant no
  - ii. Alex: Same
- b) Sex Toy Bingo (today at 7pm, Phoenix Rooms)
- c) Men's Basketball (October 25<sup>th</sup>, 7pm at the Resch Center)
- d) Women's Basketball (October 26th, 7pm at the Kress)
- e) RHAA Bingo (October 27<sup>th</sup>, 7pm in the Phoenix Rooms)
- f) Hallowqueen Drag Show (October 28th, 8pm, Weidner Center)
- g) Gravedancer's Ball (October 31st, 8pm, Phoenix Rooms)
- h) UWGB Bonfire Night (November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5:30pm, Phoenix Rooms and the Fire Pit)
- i) Women's Basketball (November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7pm at the Kress)

# VIII. Standing Committee Reports

- a) Academic Affairs:
  - Abbi: Committee meeting moved to next week and moved back into normal rotation after. Senators are researching similarly-sized UW schools to see if they have a distance education fee. Senators are looking over Gen Ed models and how to submit feedback.
- b) Environmental Affairs:



- Katie H: Attendded a conference for conservation leaders. Committee last week, discussed possible resolutions and what students think about sustainability on campus. Concerns arose about plastic use on campus.
- c) Equity and Diversity:
  - Connor: Committee meeting last Monday, following up on gender-inclusive housing and menstrual hygiene products, and Safe Ally trainings.
- d) Recreation and Athletics:
  - Declan: Went on Kress facility tour with 2 senators, sending out emails and figuring things out.
- e) SUFAC:
  - Hearing budget requests starting Nov 3 and every Thursday following except
     Thanksgiving. Training members on fund guidelines.
  - Zea: Woo
- f) Student Workers' Rights:
  - Logan: Met with Alex. Meeting cancelled last week due to lack of new business.
     Still waiting for an advisor that would be open to pursuing our goals.
- g) Union and Dining:
  - Molly: Met with Matt last week and talking about contracting with new dining provider. Talked about Food Truck Fridays, looking at partnerships with student orgs, potential for dining open forum at end of semester.

#### IX. Announcements:



- a) Hannah: Nov 3 5:30pm Room TBD, Rep Kristina Shelton will be on campus for Get Out To Vote event, organized by College Dems.
- b) Jasmine: Tomorrow Rep Shelton will be hosting a walk protest for overturning of Roe V Wade, bodily autonomy. Was asked to put info out there, if anyone is interested they are meeting at Brown County Courthouse at 5 and town hall at Tarlton.
- c) JD: Any errors with placards, please correct and I will update.

# X. Adjournment:

- a) So Moved: Zea
- b) Second: James
- c) Voice Vote, Motion Passes
- d) Meeting Adjourned 6:05pm.