

# Senate Meeting

12/6/21 5:15 PM

- I. Call to Order:
- II. Roll Call:
- III. Approval of the Minutes
  - a) Motion to approve the minutes
    - So moved: Harrison
    - Seconded: Brayden
    - Minutes are approved
- IV. Approval of the Agenda
  - a) Motion to approve the agenda
    - Move to add an agenda item to add
      - 1. Seconded: Alex
      - 2. Amendment is approved
    - Move to approve the amended agenda
      - 1. So moved: Molly
      - 2. Seconded: Gabby
      - 3. Agenda is approved
- V. Reports
  - a) President: This week I attend the first meeting of the sate wide governance committee made up of serval presidents from UW schools. We plan on meeting again over winter break and a



couple times in the spring. I was approached by Matt about the Uber rideshare program but will talk more about that later.

- b) Vice President: For this week I have been in communication with Matt about the uber pilot program and that is all I've done this week.
- c) Speaker of the Senate: This week I have been preparing for next semester and finishing up this semester.
- d) RHAA:
- e) Student Court: The election rules are ready to go if you want to vote on them. I have a student nonacademic conduct appeal hearing.
- f) Advisor: Over break that is not a time student government meets but it still a great time to think of projects you want to work on and bring that to your chairs let the wheels turn when you are a little more relaxed to get good ideas for next semester. Have a good break.
  - Gail: The testing center closes Friday and all covid testing will be moved to the wellness center all PCR and antigen tests.
- g) Jasmine: Your first priority is as a student so if you need to take a step back from your duties to focus on school please do.

#### VI. New Business

- a) Parliamentary Procedure Training
  - Basic principles
    - 1. Discuss one subject at a time
    - 2. Full discussion
    - 3. Respect



- 4. Rule by majority while preserving the rights of minority opinion
- 5. Bring together wishes of all group members
- Part of growing is that we start using these organizational rules, so we know what is going on.
- Motions
  - 1. Way to bring an idea before the group
  - 2. Discussed
  - 3. Voted on by voting members
    - a. In senate meeting Exec members do not vote
  - 4. Making a motion
    - a. Only senators can make motions
      - i. "I move" "I move to"
    - b. The president can request a motion
      - i. "So, Moved"
      - ii. "Seconded"
    - Submit proposals or resolutions to the speaker and the chair before the meeting.
- Discussion
  - 1. You should be called upon before saying anything
  - 2. The member who made the motion should get to speak first
  - 3. Everyone should get the chance to speak before members are called upon



#### a second time

- 4. Members are permitted to speak at most twice on a motion in a day
- 5. The chair may to choose to call on each member
- 6. When no members are waiting to speak the chair can call a vote
- Points of order, information, privilege, clarification
  - 1. Interrupt a speaker without being called on
  - 2. Should only be used for urgent important matters
- Voting
  - 1. Typically chosen by the chair
  - 2. Verbal vote
    - a. Ayes and Nays
  - 3. Roll call vote
    - a. Used to verify inconclusive voice votes
    - b. Used for important votes where the voting record of the members may be important to retain.
- b) Resolutions:
  - Resolution in Support of Student Government Association Internship Processes-Second Reading
    - 1. Resolution was read aloud
    - 2. Discussion
      - Gabby: I fully support, and I am excited for that one to move forward.



- b. Tristan: I think having this option is pretty awesome I think the rest of my opinions will be reflected in what Riley says.
- c. Riley: If you currently receive scholarship money you cannot do this due to the guidelines which say you cannot receive stipend and academic credit.
- d. Abdul: I like that student have different options.
- e. Brayden: It seems pretty reasonable, and I don't see there being issues.
- f. Connor: I think it would great for senators to be able to have that option.
- g. Max: To my understanding this would be for people who need extra credit for classes for elective credits. Does it have to be done in certain topics?
  - i. There are a lot of majors that require internship, and you can earn up to 12 internship credits so if you were to do work for SGA we want to require that if you go above and beyond that we can give you credit in terms of your educational load. As what Riley said you cannot get internship and scholarship but because there are some students who need this to graduate this a good opportunity.
- h. Abbi: Would the people register this through the school?
  - i. Jasmine: depending on what you get an internship with would



- change the guidelines, but you would still go through sis and sign up and have an academic advisor to sign on with you.
- ii. H: you work with your internship coordinator and whoever the advisor for SGA is and they would monitor your performance and make sure you are meeting goals.
- i. Brooke: Good opportunity and option.
- j. Alex: It's a good way to incentivize.
- k. M: I like giving senators more options.
- Molly: Beneficial to members because we don't have a lot of extra time so being able to fill internship credit is great.
- m. Keely: This is a great idea would be beneficial to current senators but also for getting candidates to come to the senate.
- n. Katie: Good idea to give senators another option especially for smaller majors because there aren't too many internship options.
- So: I think it is a great idea because it gives senators more options to join Sga.
- p. Cora: I agree and I do think that Riley made a good point and my only concern is that if exec members chose to fill internship credit how that would look because exec members do a lot more for SGA.
  - i. Har: The credits you can receive would be based on the total hours you work which is hour per week they might be able to apply for more credit but for a senator if they are willing to



put in more work. As far as exec members choosing, realistically I don't want them to have to make the choice and I think making that choice for them it is best to leave that open. Hopefully that doesn't' come up but I think leaving options open. As a whole it's to continue to make sure people serving these duties are being rewarded and fair compensation

- q. Jas: motions to approve the resolution
  - i. So moved: Alex
  - ii. Seconded: Molly
  - iii. Vote: Motion passes
- Resolution in Support of the Renewal of the Sustainability, Tracking, Assessment,
   and Rating System (STARS) Report by the University of Wisconsin Green Bay-Second Reading
  - 1. Resolution was read aloud
  - 2. Gabby: I think that is a great idea.
  - 3. Katie: I am in support I think the environmental affairs are looking at writing more resolutions for the stars, so it is good.
  - 4. Molly: it is beneficial to review the stars if we are calling ourselves ECOu
  - 5. Sophia: I also agree with what was said since we haven't submitted reports since 2017 so we can uphold the ECOU tradition that our school has.
  - 6. Conner: I think it is important to renew the stars report to see where we



stand, and I think there are a lot of progress to be made.

- 7. Ted: To provide contest UWSP for reference their score is 68.61 which is over 20 above us.
- 8. Harrison: I think we can do better, and we ought to better. Our campus makes a lot of promises and we should start to live up to them.
- 9. Braydon: Does anybody know why we haven't submitted one?
  - a. They just haven't taken the time.
- 10. Gail: It is incredibly time consuming, and the committee used to have an intern who would supply the information and that position was unsuccessful so very time consuming.
- 11. Abbi: If we were to update, do you think it would be better or worse?
  - a. Katie: We are on track to still be silver, and we are not improving but not getting worse.
- 12. Harrison: Despite the fact we will be on track to get silver there is room even if we get the same score it still tells us that nothing changed, and we have stuff to improve on and if it gets better we can look at what has gotten better.
- 13. Jasmine: Does anyone oppose this or have any amendments?
- 14. Motion to approve the resolution of the renewal of the STARS Report.
  - a. So moved: Molly
  - b. Seconded: Brooke
  - c. Vote: Motion passes



- c) Semester Review and Preparation for Spring Semester
  - Riley: I would love to share that as SUFAC I have enjoyed my time as vice chair and it was interesting to see the committee grow.
  - Harrison: We want to continue to recruit through word of mouth and indirect outreach.
    - 1. SGA structure:
      - a. Retire the Re and athletics committee
      - b. Develop a student workers' rights committee
      - c. Integrate RHAA into SGA
      - d. Develop the outreach position
      - e. Develop the SGA student body communication
      - f. Work on internal communication
      - g. Continue the efficacy reviews
  - Riley: So, the students' workers right committee is that going to be like a union
    - No, it is just going to be like an advocacy thing. It is just intended to be a
      thing to talk about the needs of student workers. We continue to get
      concerns related to student workers. RA compensation which has moved
      into its own thing. Front desk workers and other workers who are working
      more hours than they are capable of.
  - Faculty committees
    - 1. If you are interested in serving we would like to plan this over break



## d) Uber pilot program

• What it is, is the union has a surplus in the transportation fund of \$5000 and we want to create a pilot partnership with Uber. This would offer 6.50 off of five rides or 3 free rises a semester. This would not do anything with the bus program. This is an additional program on top of that because the bus lines are not the best and there is also the added issues of the times of the bus lines. Matt wanted to gage student opinion and we just want to do a straw pull if this is something people are interested in.

### Questions

- 1. Tristan: the implications of this is really good green bay doesn't have a party scene on campus and if they choose to engage in party scene off campus it is good to make sure they are getting there safe.
- Riley: This idea was floated before SFUAC last year and I am just concerned
  this will cannibalize in the future. I would oppose taking the funds to giving it
  to uber.
  - I agree with that concern too because I wouldn't want to take money away from the bus system.
- 3. Alex: I think this could be a good idea to promote the safety of the student sand I think we should support it.
- 4. Harrison: I would like to amend the motion to support it that they will record student usage and report that to show the use.
- 5. Abdul: Would it be a better option than a shuttle?



- a. Kind of, it drops off a large number of mostly intoxicated students in one area and then the RA would deal with that and if an underage student came back intoxicated it would be the RA responsibility now.
- I would like to make a motion to amend the program that we will approve if they record student usage.
  - 1. Second: Alex
  - 2. Amendment passes
- Motion to approve the program
  - 1. So moved: Molly
  - 2. Seconded: Harrison
    - a. Motion passes

#### VII. Standing Committee Reports

- a) Academics and Governance: I had a meeting with Harrison Wednesday about next semester.

  I am researching to help write the amnesty policy resolution and I am drafting an email about joining the gen ed review.
- b) Arts and Performance: I had my meeting with my senator, and we talked about great things and about stuff we can do in the future. She is creating an email draft and sending that email to the fine arts orgs. I heard back from Adam and Kelly and set up a meeting about an event GTP and the Weidner can do together.
- c) Environmental Affairs: This morning we had a sustainability committee meeting and we talked about the STARs report and it will be ready by early January and creating a sustainability community practice to make sure students know that is happening and



professors bring more sustainability into classrooms. Tomorrow is the ecofriendly phoenix kickoff event. We had a committee meeting, and we discussed the shoe tree and other things we want to focus on. There also is a sustainable business conference is Pewaukee and we are having a shuttle here that would leave around 5:30 on Dec 15<sup>th</sup> and you can sign up before next Monday.

- d) Equity and Diversity: I have yet to meet my senators, but I am looking forward to meeting them and getting started.
- Health and Safety: I had a senate meeting just before this and it was Brayden's last meeting. We talked about the amnesty policy and what we want to look at. We will be looking at things we might want in the amnesty policy. The wellness center is having a destressing event the 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> for finals. Over break I will be looking at the resolution that my committee was assigned.
- f) Rec and Athletics:
- g) Union and Dining: I had a meeting with Matt to talk about food trucks. We are looking at doing this in April and having a different truck on Fridays. Hopefully by next semester we will have more information. The game side of the club has been under construction and hopefully that will be done in a weakish. We are hoping to have the Phoenix club on the dining app by spring semester. I know robots were brought up and just further information, they cost a lot and it would mean an extra \$2-5 for delivery which is a lot but they are looking into it.
- h) SUFAC: We are now in winter session which mean we have unbridled authority over org budgets that come to us. Our next meeting is the last Thursday in January. Next semester we



hear auxiliary budgets.

## VIII. Announcements:

- a) Ted: On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> they are having late night breakfast which is an event every finals week from 8-9p.
- b) Harrison: We tripled our membership and passed three resolutions so everybody can be really proud of that.

# IX. Adjournment:

- a) Motion to adjourn the meeting
  - So moved: Molly
  - Seconded: Alex
  - Meeting is adjourned