



Student Senate

October 31st, 2016

University Union, 1965 Room

5:15pm

- I. Call To Order: 5:15 PM
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes from 10.17.16: Courtney, Mckinley, approved
- IV. Approval of Agenda: Abby, Sarah, approved
 - Mark to amend, Fiona second- add election rules
- V. New Business
 1. Student Court Appointee- Valladares
 - djs major
 - passionate about politics
 - good platform to serve university community
 - motion to approve: Courtney, Darneisha
 - vote: approved 11:0:0
 2. Bill- Academic Credit for Orgs
 - addition to FYS?: yes, but not credited as a class
 - Nik talked to faculty: number of professors expressed interest in making org attendance a graded part of class
 - SGA is not in charge of student organizations, so should feedback necessarily be given back to SGA? Is it our responsibility?
 - specific guideline provided to instructors? We can't tell a professor how to run their course. Maybe they could implement this for 2 weeks, etc.
 - what are the steps to getting this approved? Does the professor have to deem this necessary? If this gets passed, language used so that professors



can get feedback from the org? Nik has already taken steps in talking to professors about this.

-maybe we could say “the student government recommends this” instead?

Some classes require a student to attend 1 or 2 events.

-are the budgets based on membership? Would this artificially inflate the budget? –we can’t really judge that based on size.

-some think FYS are unnecessary; however, it’s a class on how to take a class.

-should we be mandating this?

-this would aid in the purpose of FYS

-does athletics count as an organization? This could be dictated by a professor.

-it would be really unfair for student athletes as freshman because a majority of them have study tables three times a week as is

-purpose of the bill is to increase student engagement. The feedback that students give should be given to someone.

3. Bill- Fund the Freeze

-motion to vote: Courtney, sarah, approved

-will take effect over the next 3 years (want to fully fund by 2020)

increasing by \$70 million each year

-we would not be funding this, we would just be signing a petition with our support

-vote: approved 11:0:0

4. Childcare

-referendum a few years ago to get childcare on campus. This was passed, there is a fund for it, and each year it grows by \$10 per student.

-does SGA continue to want childcare



-we are unsure who the childcare would actually be for, childcare alliance is for everyone being able to utilize childcare

-our growing fund is still not enough to actually put the money toward anything

-could there be a monthly fee for using it? The goal is that it would be a free service.

-possibly free for students (coming from seg fees), cost for faculty? This would bring in revenue

-what would happen to the fund we've collected if childcare didn't happen? – it would go back to reserves

-who would work at the center? We would probably have to hire people

-human development, etc. could not run the center

-what would happen if a child got injured?

-hard to estimate exact cost off of an idea

-childcare centers in the area are very expensive

-many student parents don't have time to transport children to childcare facilities, we are the only 4-year uw campus without a childcare center

-would there be a way to get around building a multimillion dollar building? Many buildings are not being used to their full potential.

-would having childcare on campus bring more students to campus?

-CCA will email Dylan and hopefully come in to field questions

5. Discussion for Election Rules- Michael

-if you feel that the proposed changes are okay, go ahead and vote; however, if there are a substantial amount of changes to be made, table the motion to vote

-2.5 gpa instead of 2.0

-campaigning can occur up until polls close



- definition of academic classrooms
- whiteboarding
- could someone have a panel inside of a classroom?
- 2.0 issue: you are still in good academic standing? Student court feels it should be increased
- public forum: should be an exception for elections
- compromise is to keep it at a 2.5, but have an appeal process.
- motion to table: Courtney, Abby, approved

VI. Executive Board Reports

- a. President: Nik Austin
 - early voting turned into a bigger “hoopla”
 - Mark, Leston, Sarah G, Shane, McKinley, Alex get a shirt
- b. Vice President: Dylan Tritt
 - SGA booth by the stairs, anyone interested in manning the booth go see Dylan
 - don't use your phone during the meeting
 - Nik: the problem is not being on your phone, the problem is missing key info
- c. Speaker: Courtney Zambon
 - Friday is the last day to vote early, early voting event Friday 2pm MAC circle, celebration in MAC 103 afterwards, hosted by college Dems but anyone can go, there will be food. Rides will be provided to city hall, if anyone is interested in driving tell Courtney
 - need nonpartisan sponsorship for event
 - tell all of your friends
 - 1:1s week of November 14th for senators, talking about how things are going so far
 - read over the minutes if you can't make it, let Courtney know if you can't make a meeting and why
 - exec, look at senate door
 - next senate meeting: resolution training presentation, each senator should think about one idea for a resolution
- d. RHAA: Ashley Keenan
 - 24 hour quiet hours, if you have ideas go to the meeting
 - composting, res fest, high school projects
- e. Chief Justice: Dennis DeBeck
 - sent admin assistant changes for election rules
 - student court has been participating in title 9 hearings
- f. Standing Committees



- Academic Affairs: Mckenna Kelsey
 - refer questions about the bill to Mckenna or Shane
- Community Engagement: Eduardo Navarro
 - volunteers to have senators at the school
 - teachers will be school contacts
 - director of phuture phoenix has a meeting with CE later this week
 - 7:30 tomorrow in SGA suites- meeting
- Environmental Affairs: Kayla Billett
 - sustainability pledge sent out by committee, 30% off any water bottle at the bookstore
 - working with PEAC, November 15th
- Equity and Diversity: Selena Deer
 - figuring out room for welcome dinner/dance, invites will be sent out at the end of the week
- Health and Safety: Fiona Somers
 - met with Tom, talked about parking
 - every night there are an average of 41 guests on campus
 - everyone must park in studio arts parking lots
 - once snow starts falling, no more nightly parking in the kress
 - new parking lot in the works, SUFAC will not have to fund this
 - tennis courts might turn into a parking lot
 - walk with chancellor Wednesday at 5:30 about safety walks
 - looking into contracts with outside locksmiths, having jump cables in the CC
 - once the semester is over, public safety will not help with locked cars/batteries/etc.
- Recreation and Athletics: Eric Fischer
 - senators-get org outreaches done
 - punch cards came in today, starting tomorrow night at the men's game you can use them
 - block 2 intramurals started last week
- Student Resources: Kia Murray
 - contact with carnival CEO,
- SUFAC: Allison LeMahieu
 - rick warpinski will present union budget to SUFAC, 5:15 on Thursday
 - Org budgets due 11:59 PM November 13th
 - encourage people to turn in their budgets
- University Governance: Gavin Sparks
 - thanked alumni association in thanks for her support
- Union and Dining: Nathan Rousseau
 - met with Kayla, talked about composting, need a lot more student help in



dining

-senators: check d21, sent out something last week for meeting times

VII. Announcements

-check out d21

-reminder for tshirt

VIII. Adjournment: 6:54 PM Courtney, Ashley