



## *Student Senate*

**November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**University Union, 1965 Room**

**5:15pm**

- I. Call To Order: 5:16 PM
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes from 10.31.16: Courtney, Mark, approved
- IV. Approval of Agenda: Shane, Mark, approved
- V. New Business

### -Childcare Alliance

- We used to have childcare on campus, it was in the LS parking lot. Known for best in the state. Ended in 1995 because of old infrastructure and no funds to keep it running
- There are over 300 members of the childcare alliance! Working on keeping up the momentum
- Madison/Stevens point helped out with key ideas to help run a childcare
- Faculty senate passed the resolution on the 10<sup>th</sup>
- In addition to parents, students could be offered internships and employment opportunities on campus.
- Would promote interdisciplinary programs.
- Internships have already been offered through childcare alliance, business students could learn how to write grants, etc.
- Student parents want to network-they want to physically be here on campus
- Childcare facilities would bring folks from different classes/ages/etc together
- Weaknesses include lack of resources for planning and ownership, issues with building design and cost, community support and funding, and a campus specific business plan



- Resolution asks for public commitment, formal planning process, grant funding, and fundraising.
- Faculty would pay full rate and it would be subsidized for students
- This would help the campus to grow-we would need to compete with the childcare centers close by that are off campus
- SUFAC would not have much to do with this
- Possibly collab with phuture phoenix/theater programs/etc
- One of the biggest barriers is finding a building for the childcare center-need to be creative with building spaces
- In the past, parents ran the childcare center. We would need to have outside support from community members to make this happens
- A 4k program would help us bring in more funds
- Every year, there are more parents coming in to talk about how the absence of a childcare center on campus is affecting their education. Having it on campus is much more convenient for student parents
- The childcare alliance is simply looking for support from SGA

#### -Transit/UPASS

- Having upass was no longer convenient for transit, so the program was ended. Now there is a student pass program, where you can purchase a monthly pass
- There are some students that really depend on free bussing, they depend on the bus to get to school and work, etc.
- Now instead of paying \$0.25 per ride, it is \$1 per ride.
- 26,000 riders last year, NWTC had almost 300,000 riders
- Proposal excludes faculty and staff, and also alumni (how do we regulate that?) current passes have expiration dates, which you would show to the bus driver. It would also say “student pass”



- Who will pay for this? Previously SGA split the cost with student government. Now, a different group would attach it to their budget and get it approved by SUFAC. Problems? We have a new administration every year, and now the program is extendable to other campuses.
- Questions: is this something that we should be paying for? If yes, where would the money be coming from? Make the decision based on your own opinion. Nik: we should give SGA the biggest voice it can have
- The staff does not want the budget to go to SGA. They want this to be a relationship between transit and the university.
- Two more commission meetings before the year is over, one this Wednesday, and if not, we will push again in December.
- It could potentially be beneficial for SGA to support another department adding transit to their budget

#### -Bill writing/resolution training

- See minutes email, presentation is included

#### -Academic Credit for Orgs (the bill thingy)

- Motion to vote: Abbigail, Darneisha
- Approved 9:1:1

#### -SGA Budget

- Turned in!

#### -Meeting times for next semester

- Same time, same place

#### -Election rules

- Student court not here.

#### -UWGB app

- What could we add to the app to make it more appealing?
- More housing-they pay \$1000 per year



- Should be redesigned
- Possibly reduce use of posters
- Adding in resources available to students
- Quick links-being able to open up into different apps like outlook
- Integrate social media
- Link to reslink
- Rideshare
- Email other ideas

#### -SGA Senate Rep for RHAA

- See Keenan or Dylan if you are interested in the SGA RHAA position

#### -Committee Positions

- tabled

#### -Committee Reports

- tabled

#### -New Senator Application- Abigail Schwaller

- freshman, planning on majoring in business admin, minor in Spanish
- wants to be more involved on campus
- committees: equity and diversity
- gets angry when people talk down the LGBTQ+ community
- motion to vote: Abbigail, Shane, approved
- approved 7:2:2

## VI. Executive Board Reports

- a. President: Nik Austin
  - no report
- b. Vice President: Dylan Tritt
  - senators that are direct representatives: relay info to both organizations.
  - exec boards, reach out to orgs
- c. Speaker: Courtney Zambon



- look at poster board ideas on d2l
- senators: 1:1s are this week. Come with ideas
- committee chairs: need evals tonight for 1:1s
- d. RHAA: Ashley Keenan
  - bingo Saturday 7pm mac 208, Bluetooth speaker
- e. Chief Justice: Dennis DeBeck
  - no report
- f. Standing Committees
  - Academic Affairs: McKenna Kelsey
    - taking bill to Alysa later this week
    - meeting with Darryl later this week, get any academic problems to McKenna
  - Community Engagement: Eduardo Navarro
    - guest professor event got overfilled with students
    - senator meeting tomorrow
  - Environmental Affairs: Kayla Billett
    - tomorrow 6pm by gac lab
    - look at d2l for more info, senators!
  - Equity and Diversity: Selena Deer
    - welcome dinner/dance after sga on the 28<sup>th</sup>
    - let selena know if you are interested in helping set up
    - approached by jenny bahling
    - NODAPL event happening downtown, tomorrow 3-6pm, bring posters, meeting at mac circle
  - Health and Safety: Fiona Somers
    - water bottle design for event, teaming with Kayla to fund
  - Recreation and Athletics: Eric Fischer
    - december 5<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm-kress advisory committee meeting
    - email back from rick: meets tomorrow about tailgate event
    - punchcards went over well
  - Student Resources: Kia Murray
    - picked out nominee for phoenix of the week
  - SUFAC: Allison LeMahieu
    - meeting on Thursday
    - going through club budget this week
  - University Governance: Gavin Sparks
    - no report
  - Union and Dining: Nathan Rousseau
    - no report

## VII. Announcements



-execs: do university committee

-senators: subscribe to threads related to your committee

VIII. Adjournment: Shane, Sarah, 7:50 PM, approved