

## **Student Senate Meeting Minutes**

**3/19/2024**

The meeting was called to order by President Maggie Newhouse at 7:00 p.m.

### **Members Present**

Connor Close, Mario Rodriguez Gomez, Lizzie Pike, Alison French, Sidney Polzin, Gabe Potyk, Abbie Stigler, Jacob Fiala, Abby Nosbisch, Owen Ziegler, Caden Rodning, Emma Mara, Teagan Phillips, Melanie Winzenburg, Mallory Von Tersch, Emma Gerdes, Leah Parker, Paige Morris, Jack Champion, Sam Frick, Maggie Newhouse, Joel Tranel, Nick Kiemel, Noah Kiemel, Maddi Clark and Ann Merchlewitz

### **Members Absent**

None

### **Members Excused**

None

### **Budgets:**

#### **Dungeons and Dragons Club Budget:**

- Amount Requested: \$480
- Motion to fund at the suggested amount of \$370 by Gabe Potyk
  - Second: Mario Rodriguez Gomez
- Voting:
  - For: 16
  - Against: 0

- Abstain: 0
- Motion Passes

**ACSD Club Budget:**

- Amount Requested: \$214
- Motion to fund at the suggested amount of \$214 by Melanie Winzenburg
  - Second: Mario Rodriguez Gomez
- Voting:
  - For: 16
  - Against: 0
  - Abstain: 0
- Motion Passes

**PR/Business Club Budget:**

- Amount Requested: \$824
- Motion to fund at the suggested amount of \$510 by Mario Rodriguez Gomez
  - Second: Connor Close
- Voting:
  - For: 13
  - Against: 0
  - Abstain: 3
- Motion Passes

**Club Soccer Budget:**

- Amount Requested: \$567
- Motion to fund at the suggested amount of \$270 by Jacob Fiala
  - Second: Gabe Potyk
- Voting:
  - For: 16
  - Against: 0
  - Abstain: 0
- Motion Passes

### **Special Request: Tri-Beta**

- Biological Honor Society
- The conference will be held here in Winona
- Research students requesting grants so they can present their findings
- 13 Oral presentations and 30+ poster presentations at the conference
- Around 6-8 people are planning on presenting at this conference so far but there still is a few spots for students
- Amount Requested: \$900
- Motion to fund at the suggested amount of \$900 by Mario Rodriguez Gomez
  - Second: Caden Rodning
- Voting:
  - For: 14
  - Against: 0
  - Abstain: 2
- Motion Passes

### **Executive Board Reports**

#### **Maggie Newhouse, President**

- RSVP to me for the Senate Banquet and include any dietary restrictions. Please tell me after the meeting or please send me an email.
- Dinner at Father Burn's home on April 4th, at 6 pm.
- Please fill out the Senator and Executive of the Year Google form. Both of these forms close tomorrow at 11:59 pm.
- If you haven't already, please sign the three thank you cards for Dennis, Alison, and Olivia. These are the individuals we worked closely with during "Day at the Capitol".

#### **Joel Tranel, Vice President of Financial Affairs**

- It is Budget Season.
- 5 budgets next week.
- We would like to have a \$10,000 cushion if we can for future admissions.

### **Sam Frick, Vice President of Academic Affairs**

- Hendrickson Forum: April 10th
- Jon Clifton
- Twin Cities Campus
- Register by March 27th with Dr. Christopher Bobier
  - [cbobier@smumn.edu](mailto:cbobier@smumn.edu)

### **Paige Morris, Vice President of Student Affairs**

- Events for the week
  - Thursday
    - Bingo 8 pm
  - Friday
    - The golden egg hunt starts
  - Saturday
    - Rock climbing at Winona State, Must sign up
    - Softball 1 pm
    - Men and Women's Tennis 1:30 pm
  - Sunday
    - Egg dying at 12 pm in the Plaza
- First Five Weeks Committee
  - Please let me know if you have any ideas or comments on implementing anything for the first 5 weeks next year.
- Sent out an email about club leadership information for next year, for the club leaders to fill out and send to RISE.

### **Jack Campion, Vice President of Public Affairs**

- Nothing to report.

### **Nick Kiemel, Vice President of Campus Affairs**

- Still working on finding equipment for the gym and furniture for Cardinal Coffee.

### **Noah Kiemel, Vice President of Media and Communications**

- The Presidential Election was today. Will be going over the results soon.
- Executive Board petitions are still available. Reach out to Noah for a petition.
- You do not need to have Senate experience to run.

### **Maddi Clark, Vice President of Administrative Affairs**

- If you have an event, it is your responsibility for everything to be all setup. If you have any questions or need help, then you can reach out to me.
- When you have an event, you can have anyone from your class there to help you out. It does not have to be just the Class Officers.
- If you are planning on doing the Baseball or Softball concession please come and let me know your dates. If you are planning on doing more fundraisers please come talk to me.

### **Leah Parker, Vice President of Multicultural Affairs**

- Nothing to report.

### **Ann Merchlewitz, Advisor**

- Student Satisfaction Survey Inventory was sent out so please fill that out. Encourage others to fill it out.
- If you have anyone who is thinking about running for Executive Board please have them reach out to Noah for petitions!
- I have photos of our almost approved signage if you would like to see them.
- Potentially business casual for the Father Burns dinner.

### **Class Officer Reports**

#### **Freshman**

- Nothing to report

#### **Sophomore**

- Nothing to report.

## **Junior**

- The Pub event on Friday was a success
- Raised \$120 and they met yearly goal.

## **Senior**

- Nothing to report.

## **Senator Concerns:**

- Executive board petitions are due on March 28th.
- Constitution and Bylaw rewrite- to be determined when they will be brought to the Senate.

## **Adjournment**

Motion made to Adjourn- Emma Mara

Seconded - Caden Rodning

Motion passes unanimously

Meeting Adjourned at 7:39 p.m.