



Senate Meeting Minutes

November 25th, 2019

University Union, 1965 Room

5:15pm

- I. Call to Order:
- II. Roll Call:
- III. Approval of the Minutes
 - a) So moved: Becca
 - b) Seconded: Sierra
 - c) Approved
- IV. Approval of the Agenda
 - a) So moved: Zach
 - b) Seconded: Adam
 - c) Approved
- V. Administrative Reports
 - a) President:
 - You might notice the agenda is formatted differently. One of the criticisms we received was that reports tend to get a little long. So we decided to break them up a little bit. At the bottom we are also mixing up the order.
 - Meeting with Eric Arneson
 1. Earth Day 50- he is super excited for
 2. Potential problem with the bursar payment problem at UW Sheboygan
 3. Child care and the obstacles that we have been faced with that.
 4. Bussing,
 - a. The city is passing a resolution to up the bus prices and we talked about how that will affect our contract
 - b. It shouldn't affect students all that much
 - c. The contract is expiring but we are looking at renewing it
 - I have been reaching out to Just for Kidz to see if we can do some sort of student plan
 - Health and counseling open house
 1. Very successful
 2. Over 30 people attend
 3. Gave away a good amount of free flu shots
 4. Thanks to everyone



5. Get vaccinated
 - a. I will stick you with a needle and maybe it will be the vaccination but maybe not
 - Honorarium
 1. Starting that conversation with Mark right now
 - Working with Steve Catlin and offering more resources to off campus housing students
 - Student reps about the resolution
 - Working with Lea about ordering different things
 1. We are getting food at the last senate meeting – surprise!
- b) Vice President
- Oh Snap
 - Early voting, you ever hear about it?
 1. Meeting with Casey, Abby and some dude named Shane
 2. Setting up a meeting after Thanksgiving with the city clerk for the next steps
 3. Figuring out logistics
 4. Want this done before the holiday break so we can have early voting ready for primaries
 - a. Might not happen
 - Faculty senate because it has been a while
 1. They talked about increasing the presence down town
 2. Put a research park on campus and lease it to the county with the money left over from the stem center
 - a. Reese: What is a research park?
 - b. G: Good question, I'm not sure
 3. Parking work group happening
 - a. Assess our long term need for parking
 - b. Apparently overnight guests can pay five dollars a night
 - Cyber-Security- it's happening
 1. If you want to know more, don't ask me ask somebody else
 - They are changing a bunch of stuff to be more consistent across the UW-System
 1. Taking away the requirement to contact the registrar's office
 - Constitutional review is coming up
 1. Maybe we will talk at the next meeting
- c) Speaker of the Senate:
- 1:1s with my senators
 - I wanted to peak everybody's interest in doing a holiday card exchange for the last meeting
 1. Reese: So, you get a card?
 2. Jay: I would like to say that's very cute
 3. Sounds great, I will send the email out
 - I started putting the white board out so encourage people who are not in SGA to



write on it

1. The topic is Earth Day 50

d) RHAA:

- Meeting on Wednesday
- We had a speaker come in for parking
 1. They are thinking about doing an app for parking
- Quiet hours
 1. Saturday night starting at 11:59 on the 14th of December ending on December 20th
 2. WE are voting when we come back from break
- WIFI Outages across campus
 1. We found out that maintenance was not informed
 2. Talked to Julianne today and we might be starting a campaign to “if you see it report it”

e) Student Court:

- Meeting on Thursday
 1. Approved election rule changes
- Lacy is looking at updating the website
- Brainstorming ideas on how to get more student engagement within the election

f) Advisor:

- Our website is horribly out of date
 1. Taking some baby steps of making correction
 2. Right now, it is just updating names
 3. Exec names and court names should be up to date
 4. If you find things that need changes, feel free to email me or stop me
 5. Winter break will probably be when we can make big changes
 - a. Reese: So, we contact you?
 - i. Abbie: contact G or Joy if you have anything but you go through John
- Healthy Choices taskforce
 1. We are going to be doing something next Monday
 - a. Random acts of kindness
 - b. Clothesline on the windows of it and you pick a random act of kindness
 - c. Trying to promote kindness on campus – watch for that
 - i. 11:00-1:00
- Hopefully everyone has a good and safe break

VI. New Business

a) Transfer Cords Resolution

- Motion to waive the reading: Sierra



1. Seconded: Jay
- Two-part deal: overall it lets transfer students from the branch campuses automatically join if they were previously on Student Government and it lets students from other campuses still get honor cords based on their experiences
- Discussion:
 1. Sierra: I would like to move to take out the second therefore
 - a. Abbie: POI- The admin board has been looking at this piece of resolution since it came forth, we think that this is a really great piece of resolution, but with that therefore, that grants transfer students into immediate senatorial positions in our SGA. It is an interesting point, but it opens up a whole new can of worms. If this is something we wanted to do, it would have to be a whole new resolution. When the merger was happening, the year before, all of the SGA's came together and kind of formed an "action plan"/piece of legislation that detailed how SGA was going to act once the merger had taken place. With this and a bunch of different things, each SGA agreed they would act as their own SGA. If we wanted to do this where they could transfer between easily, that would be combining all the SGA's and in that legislation, we looked at the pros and cons. If we passed this, it would be in direct violation of the resolution all the SGA's signed. We can pass this, but that means we would have to go into passing another piece of legislation and talking with other branches and how it would interact with other academics of it and how it would interact with elections. We would have to promote at all of the schools instead of just one school. We would have to think about it a lot more in depth.
 2. Zach: I didn't mean for this to merge the SGA's. It was for the people who are done at those campuses. So, in that process of transferring, they would use their experience and be able to get in to ours.



3. Jake: I like that idea of yours, however, at the same time, I think the logic is kind of flawed. I am a transfer student too, but I didn't come from a branch campus. In terms of ethicality and fairness, shouldn't we do something else with the other campuses and have an advisor from the other campuses contact our advisor here. It is all great in theory but I feel like it would create problems for the people who were apart of SGA on their previous campus and now they can't get into it anyways, but the branch campuses can.
4. G: Is there second on the motion for Sierra?
 - a. Sierra: I move to remove the second therefore.
 - b. Seconded: Jay
 - c. Discussion on just the amendment:
 - i. Reese: Don't senators have to reapply after the end of the year to then again be on again for the next year? Wouldn't this be giving people a privileged?
 - ii. Abbie: It would add a lot more to our election process. They have to campaign again and be put on the ballot again. There are campaigning rules. IF this were to go through, we would need to extend all of these election rules to the branch campuses.
 - iii. Reese: With that information, I think that I agree with the original intent of the legislation in terms of regalia because I think that is something that should be provided but I think that the amendment of the original intent and adding membership from other branch campuses without any form of election process is something that should be handled elsewhere, not in this legislation.
 - iv. Makayla: I think that Zach, the point you were trying to do makes a lot of sense and it is a good idea, but I think in the future we should look again. But it makes sense on why we



have to wait. I understand where you are coming from and I support the idea but what Abbie, said it might be easier to do it at a separate time.

- v. Addison: What were you saying about the fairness? Are you saying that it is unfair for students from tech schools?
 1. Jake: They aren't getting the same advantage of not having to get paperwork signed. What he is saying is that that would be waived if they came from the branch campuses. I think his idea is an okay idea, but it shouldn't just include those three campuses. If it just included those three campuses, I just think it wouldn't be fair for people who are attending
 2. Zach: The branch campuses are already considered UWGB system. The tech colleges are not a part of UWGB's community.
 3. Addison: Tech schools should not have that luxury because they are not a part of the UWGB community.
 4. Kayla: Yield to Zach's point. The branch campuses are included because of the merger. Combining transfer cords and this other can of worms will be really hard to do at the same time. If we just take out this therefore, other parts of the resolution have to be altered.
 5. Sierra: motion to extend
 - a. Makayla: Seconded
 6. Abbie: If we would like to go forth with this amendment, then we can go forth with other amendments. If we want to bring forth more, we can.
 7. Jay: yield to redundancy



8. Jake: I agree the honor cords are a good thing but again with the transferring criteria and automatically getting into SGA it would have to be all transfers or no transfers are allowed that luxury. I could see this having a significant impact on those who want to join SGA and if they find out some people are getting in right away. How is that necessarily right? It's an ethical issue in my opinion. I would like to see this nipped in the bud or changed.
 - a. G: They still go through the same process
 - b. Sierra: The reason that the resolution would be the same is because the branch campuses have the same election process. We don't know what tech schools have. We aren't trying to discriminate.
 - c. Zach: The branch campuses are encouraged to apply here, and they get automatic acceptance.
9. Sierra: I move to amend my amendment to remove the parts that would only apply to the second therefore it be resolved.
 - a. The they should not have to reapply to the organization
 - b. Reese: the fourth one should also be removed as well.
 - c. Adam: Seconded
10. Vote on the Amendment:
 - a. 13 – 2 – 0
 - b. Passed



5. Makayla: What Jake was talking about before, maybe there was some confusion because on the last therefore, it says students from any other university and maybe because tech schools are considered college I'm not sure if that caused confusion. It does clarify that if you were on SGA at any institution.
6. Jay: Move to end discussion
 - a. Makayla: seconded
7. Vote on Resolution
 - a. 15 – 0 – 0
 - b. Passed

b) Academic Plan Feedback Forum

- Diverse University – (pg.)
- Kayla: 149 and out of 149 instructional staff, only 11 were not white. This campus is super white and that is not a reflection of anything good
- Q&A:
 1. Sierra: I'm glad they made updates
 - a. Pri: They condensed it down a lot
 2. JD: The lactation stations, is that their official name?
 - a. Yes – Look up lactation station
 - b. One in wood hall and one in the stem building
 3. Sierra: Move to end Q&A
 - a. Seconded: Jacob
 4. Mohomed: POI- have more career coaches
 5. JD: POI- the green bay schools also have a career center.
- Discussion:
 1. Jake: I think that this a great plan overall, but I am not sure what they updated had anything to do with what I was talking about earlier, about how diversity isn't just ethnicity and religion and about disability too.
 2. Jay: Move to end discussion



- a. Seconded: Makayla
- Coastal NE Wisconsin – (pg.)
 1. G: There will be a larger discussion about GPS or FYS sometime in the future
 2. Abbie: POI- When we are making the agenda, there are a lot of different things that are coming up, what is timely, what is not timely. This needs to be figured out by the end of the semester and it has already taken a very long time. There have been a multitude of things that need to be done in a timely fashion. Public Safety is already doing things in regard to this. I apologize but some of these discussions just aren't as high of a priority as other things. You can always come find us during our office hours and talk to us 1:1 with us. I promise these things are on my list but there are things that have to come first. For example, next agenda, there are already three things because they are very timely. I apologize that we can't put things on there as we like but that is just how things work out. There are only two senate meetings per month and unless you want to start meeting weekly.
 3. G: Sometimes it is taking time to find people to come talk about this.
 4. Abbie: We want Vince Lowery to come in and talk to us, but do you know how busy this man is? Most people go home at 4-4:30. You guys bring so many good things to us. We would much rather have too much to do then not enough to do. You guys are so proactive that there is so much stuff we want to cover but we don't have the time. I promise we are trying to prioritize and get things done as much as possible.
 - Q&A
 1. Motion to end: Sierra
 - a. Seconded: Jay
 - Discussion:
 1. Ted: Is there anything in the plan to make Green Bay plans more enticing to make people sit in a bus for an hour?



- a. Not that we saw but that is something we can talk about and add in.
I agree, I don't like riding on buses and if it is not a great event
2. JD: I wouldn't mind riding a bus because it gets me off campus. Some of these other cities with a McDonald's, a Walmart and maybe taco bell. Basically, get people off campus and into the community. Will this happen? No. Am I for it? Yes.
3. Zach: Most of the students who go to two-year universities, will drive to school and go home. Not a lot of these people live on these campuses or even have housing. It is hard to understand the perspective of getting people to come here when they don't even stay on their own campus. It seems that there is a disconnect.
4. Jay: Would it be possible for them to take their own cars instead of taking a bus?
 - a. I think that that is fine. They can sign up for the event and drive themselves. But they want to provide the transportation as an option. There is nothing in there that says they have to ride the bus. The downside is you have to stay until the bus leaves.
5. Ted: I did classes at a two-year school my senior year, they are chronically uninvolved. We think we are uninvolved, but they had three orgs. So, assuming people would come across the state is a little presumptuous.
6. Jake: It would be hard to expect someone to come just to this campus via bus ride. It would be a hard thing to expect for a two-year school. I agree that it would be nice but when you think about it, how many people are really going to do it. Maybe if we wanted to something where there is an event going on in student life and the other campuses want to get on, sure they could all take a bus or meet up at the event but other than that, I really don't see a way for it to work out well.
7. JD: Can we make these branch campuses, stand-alone campuses but semi-independent but they are offering their own programs but also inviting them



for our events. They are still part of GB. In summary, I enjoy that they are offering small programs at Marinette.

8. Sierra: move to extend
 - a. Seconded: Zach
9. Sierra: I wanted to say that I think it is a really good opportunity to even just offer a bus for the events at least as a trial run before we shut it down.
10. JD: Do we want these regional campuses to be somewhat standalone or be the free-trial of GB?
 - a. G: What?
 - b. JD: Do we want them to be independent campuses but under the GB name or are they a part of us.
 - c. Abbie: They are not even supposed to be called branch campuses. Whether we want them to be or not is irrelevant because they are Green Bay students.
 - d. JD: If y'all don't want to have a discussion. I was just offering it as a point of discussion.
11. Sarah: We don't really have a choice, but I think we should be offering these programs and the events that they can go to for free and transportation provided because they are a part of green bay. But giving them the option and seeing how it goes. The point is, we don't have a choice of whether or not they are students here because they are. It should be how are we going to include them more?
12. Ted: Yield to redundancy.
13. Reese: Uh, so regardless of whether we want the branch campuses to exist, that is a totally different thing than if we want them to have bus transportation to our big events. I lost my point. I yield.
14. Jake: I agree that the bus would be a nice thing to offer them, but my worry is will they use it? But hey, if we want to offer it to them, unless it is like



- something big happening on campus that would be of impact to them or something that would interest them. I'm just not sure that they would use it.
15. Adam: Just to bring Student Life into it, some of these steps have been taken. Lambeau was offered to them. A small number did, some primarily from Marinette and Manitowoc, I don't recall how many from Sheboygan. Student Life for six flags and work with Manitowoc to get them. It gets a little convoluted and interesting is they have their own staff during the day. It is a different culture compared to what we have here. There is the funding component too. Seg fees don't mix. Seg fees have to come from their campus and they don't pay as much in Seg fees. Going forward it is good steps to be offered at those campuses but providing those steps going forward is altering the current culture that exists.
16. Jake: Motion to extend
- a. JD: Seconded
17. Jake: For Adam, you said the seg fees were coming from the branch campuses but those seg fees would be towards the bus.
- a. Adam: they paid their own portion.
18. Jake: As long as the fees are going to the people it is serving as long as everything is equal.
19. Sierra: Off topic is that I really like how the smaller class size ratio is involved. They are trying to make a smaller teacher to student ratio. It is a top priority for a lot of the campuses.
20. Reese: Do each of the branch campuses have their own SUFAC? I have tried to look it up.
- a. Abbie: I don't believe so.
 - b. Reese: How does the seg fee works?
 - c. Adam: It goes through their own campus but they don't have a specific committee.
 - d. Abbie: It still goes through Student Government.



e. Zach: There might not be a separate committee based on size.

21. Jay: Motion to end discussion

a. Seconded: Adam

VII. Reports

a) Standing Committees:

- Union and Dining
 1. Montana and I went to Northland college and looked at their sustainability initiatives. Meeting with matt on Wednesday
 2. I got Matt to agree to hold a dining forum
 - a. December 10th at 5pm
 - b. In the Christie Theater.
- SUFAC
 1. Heck ya dog
 2. We had a couple meetings and have been going over org budgets. We voted to designate 1.7 million dollars to go towards future union reservations.
 - a. That's the most exciting thing SUFAC has done in a while.
- Resources and Outreach
 1. Sweets in the Suite is net Thursday so if you are in there please engage with other students.
 2. No SGA member of the week but will be posting a turkey vs. ham poll
 - a. Still looking for SGA member of the week.
- Recreation and Athletics
 1. Just presented the plan
 2. December 4th, a Wednesday, 5-8 pm
 - a. At the climbing wall at the Kress events center
 - b. Climbing club that just came in
 - c. The prizes came in today
 - d. Swipe in with your ID and your set
 3. Meeting with Jeff
 - a. Talked about a lot of things
 - b. Like cross country skiing
 - c. The event as well
 - d. ROTC members are having to pay per lane for the pool as well as paying for lifeguards.
 - i. There is a lot of miscommunication, so I am getting that figured out.
- Health and Safety
 1. (Abbie)
 2. Health and Counseling open house
 3. Meeting with the parking task force so if you want to know more go talk to her



4. Working with Chief Jones about the blue lights
- Equity and Diversity
 1. Meeting with Mai last Wednesday
 - a. Conference being held in Green Bay in April
 - b. More information to come
 - c. \$75 for students
 - d. Some of it might be covered if you go through mesa
 2. Speakers to bring to campus next semester
 - a. Talk more with Abbie
 3. Event next Wednesday from 5-6
 - a. Some come to mine then go to Spocks
 - b. A booth by the cloud from Monday to Wednesday and you can write down an anon concern and put it in a box and then come to the discussion on Wednesday and talk more openly
 - c. 5-6 in the heritage room
 4. Equity and Diversity dinner for next semester.
- Environmental Affairs
 1. DIY Cleaning supplies went okay
 - a. Sorry if a bottle exploded
 - b. Probably again in spring
 2. Earth Day 50 was approved by exec board last week
 - a. Friday April 25th
 - b. Anyone and everyone who will listen please get involved.
 - c. This coming spring is the 50th anniversary of Earth day so as a ECO U, we will be holding a big event and getting people from the city here. A big community events
 3. Mae Somerfield, she completed her solar study and wants to come update us next semester.
 4. In addition to going to Northland, I will be talking to Stacie Christian about expanding campus closet to get a thrift shop.
- Academics and Governance
 1. I cancelled my meeting for this week because it fell on Wednesday and I felt bad about cancelling one and not the other
 2. Got in contact with the rest of the shared governance meeting that I wasn't at. They aren't really on top of things.
 - a. So ya know, knew about it but not in time.

VIII. Announcements

- a) Abbie: Execs if you haven't seen my message, you are not obligated to serve your office hours this week. It is up to you if you want to have committee meetings. I would want you to have it specifically if it is Monday or Tuesday. However, if you have not come to see me yet, come talk to me after the meeting or tomorrow.



IX. Adjournment:

- a) Sierra: So, moved
- b) Adam: seconded
- c) Approved
- d) 6:52