



Student Senate Meeting Minutes

September 16th, 2019

University Union, 1965 Room

5:15pm

- I. Call to Order:
- II. Roll Call:
- III. Approval of the Minutes
 - a) Sierra- approved
 - b) Zach – seconded
- IV. Approval of the Agenda
 - a) Sierra- approved
 - b) Tanner- seconded
- V. New Business
 - a) Court Justice Appointment
 - Jordan Guarkee
 1. Abbie- appointing to the court because she will serve as a good court justice, she is a DJS major and shows a good level of dedication not only to her work but to her passions as well, very excited to potentially get the position, if she did get the position would put 110% into it
 2. Jordan- senior, DJS major, looking to go to law school, would help with goals, advocating for students' rights since sophomore year, brought theta eta alpha to campus, work closely with mark in dean of student's office
 - Q&A
 1. Sarah- what is your greatest strength and weakness
 - a. Organizational skills
 - b. Being a perfectionist
 2. Montana- If you were able to do anything to change this campus what would you do?



- a. Implementing an advocacy group on campus, students would get a lawyer to go with them for cases- sexual assault hearings or academics
3. Haley- Can you expand on what you are advocating for?
 - a. For fellowship, advocating for three years on campus, big passion and why I want to go into law.
 - b. Through the sorority as well, want to help the community since it is something that we are struggling with
4. Montana- What's your favorite color?
 - a. Purple
5. Jacob- Why do you think you are a good fit to be a court justice?
 - a. Sat on hearing boards before
 - b. Been an advocate for a few of the victims on campus
 - c. Working closely with mark and knowing how the whole system works means I am a good fit
6. Jacob- Any bills to possibly propose to senate?
 - a. n/a
7. Sierra- motion to move QA
 - a. Seconded by Sierra
- Discussion
 1. She's a great fit from what she talked about, seems very involved and dedicated to serving the students and making campus life and the community better, she has been working on this project for a long period of time that really shows her dedication and her level of commitment to making change happen
 2. yield to redundancy
 3. like that she has some ideas for being a court justice, is thinking ahead of some issues, I like that she was neutral on both sides of the issue



4. she's going for that as a major makes her a great candidate, all of her projects also make her a great candidate
5. her experience working with one of our advisors will help her do things faster since they have a connection
6. she answered my question well, great grace under pressure, I believe shed be a good fit
7. very passionate so will take it very seriously
8. Tanner- move to end discussion
 - a. Sierra- seconded.

- Approval 7-0-0

b) Senator Confirmation

- Dylan – absent
- Sarah –
 1. sophomore, business administration, focus in finance
 2. wants to join because it would look good on a resume
 3. would like to make an impact whether it be academics and governance or on the equity and diversity committee
 - a. knows people and relates to people in the lgbtq community and would like a better environment

4. QA

- a. Sarah- strength and weakness
 - i. I am intelligent, good at problem solving, very detail orientated
 - ii. Procrastinate
- b. Montana- If you could make any change, what would you do
 - i. We already do a really good job at being inclusive for the lgbtq community, so I don't know what else we could do for more
 - ii. add a cover on the bus stop



- c. Grace- what is diversity
 - i. An array of people coming together whether it be different races, sexual identities, and gender
- d. Sierra
 - i. Yield to end QA
 - ii. Seconded by Katera
- Jay
 - 1. Majoring in accounting and business administration
 - 2. Freshman
 - 3. involved with a lot of sports
 - 4. believes it is important to be involved because it helps people's grades
 - 5. something I encourage people to do
- QA
 - 1. Tanner- why did you come to green bay
 - a. Found out through the Midwest compact- where people from different schools and come introduce their school
 - 2. Makayla- what committees are you interested in?
 - a. Athletics and activities were really important, so I am going to continue focusing on that and also academics because we come here to learn,
 - 3. Haley- yields to redundancy
 - 4. Sarah- strength and weakness
 - a. Organization
 - b. Go with the first idea and force the idea work instead of coming up with an idea that might work better
 - 5. Montana- If you could make any change what would it be?
 - a. The sidewalks are pretty weird, the sidewalks don't make sense, not where people would normally walk, and they are also not amazing
 - 6. Katera- moves to end QA



- a. Seconded by Lincoln
- Kejuan
 1. Freshman
 2. environment in policy and planning and djs
 3. very committed to other organizations as well
 4. being involved is very important
 5. when I was a senior I was already a part of student government and made a lot of impact on those decisions,
 6. an activist and committed to making a change
 - QA
 1. Haley- Tell us about other orgs you are in.
 - a. Chair of college democrats on campus
 2. Lacy- what kind of things did you do in SGA in high school
 - a. New thing at high school was securing funding for the arts program
 - b. working with community and community leader to get that changed
 - c. able to add metal detectors in the high schools within the district to make sure students are safe
 3. Sarah- greatest strength and weakness
 - a. Communication and problem solving
 - b. Thinking too much
 4. Joy-If a song played every time you walked into a room what would that song be?
 - a. Sucker
 5. Montana- If you could make any change what would it be and why?
 - a. My biggest thing is that I like diversity and I am very willing to work with people to make sure our campus is more inclusive and involved in the daily life, so diversity is the major improvement
 6. Grace- explain what your definition of diversity is



- a. Diversity to me is inclusive to everyone, you understand everyone, it can be a place or a group of people who come together, no matter what you look like or your beliefs, no matter your orientation, it is a place for people to be equal
7. Tanner move to end QA
 - a. Seconded by Makayla
- Hedayah
 1. Sophomore majoring human bio minoring in psychology, transfer student, Marinette campus, on student senate since freshman year, really involved in every event, had weekly events
 - QA
 1. Montana- If you could change anything about the transfer process what would you change?
 - a. This year was the first year there was a meeting set up for transfer students
 - b. more tour guides and I had no idea where everything was
 2. Joy- back at Marinette, you mentioned weekly events, can you mention more about that
 - a. It was mostly just events to get people together, but we were organizing it,
 - b. movie nights, game nights, end of year bash, national guard came in,
 3. Sarah- strength and weakness
 - a. Doesn't do well with public speaking but looking to improve
 - b. Very outgoing and super approachable
 4. Tanner move to end QA
 - a. Seconded by Sierra
 - Rebecca
 1. She her hers
 2. psychology and human development



3. senior
 4. being a part of the process is an important part
- QA
 1. Sarah- strength and weakness
 - a. Organization and time management
 - b. Public speaking
 2. Sierra- what committees do you want to be on
 - a. Environmental affairs and health and safety
 3. Montana- what is one thing you would change on campus
 - a. Composter
 4. Emily- what would you like to see the health and safety do
 - a. Cutting back on things that are given to students, I know that some issues are the studio arts building not being as great as it should be
 5. Grace- if you were a sea animal what would you be
 - a. Sea urchin
 6. Makayla end QA
 - a. Seconded by Sierra
 - Jacob E. (Jake)
 1. He him his
 2. excited to be here
 3. really hope to make great accomplishments with the team in mind
 - QA
 1. Sarah- if you had one goal on campus what would it be
 - a. Make sure that everyone on campus feels like they are included in all the events going on, equity and diversity plays a huge role in that for making sure that everyone is involved and welcome
 2. Montana- strength and weakness
 - a. Very big team player likes working with teams
 - b. Ask too many questions sometimes



3. Reese- if you could change one thing on campus what would it be
 - a. See the busses be able to come back by the dorm areas,
 4. Makayla- what is your major and how does your major connect to SGA
 - a. Business administration with marketing, international business marketing, no matter how you look at it, an organization needs someone to help run and make sure that the voice is being heard and I feel like SGA is one of them main clubs that helps other organizations out, you really need to be able to market not only your own organization but the organizations you are supporting
 5. Tanner- yield to redundancy
 6. Kayla- what committees did you want to sit on
 - a. Academics and governance, equity and diversity, health and safety, and sufac
 7. Reese- what's your favorite muffin
 - a. Double chocolate chip
 8. Makayla move to end QA
 - a. Seconded by Lincoln
- Jacob K (JD)
 1. He him his
 2. freshman,
 3. double major in policy and planning and urban studies,
 4. had several different leaderships,
 - a. coordinated homecoming,
 - b. president of gsa,
 - c. science club president,
 - d. business manager for year book,
 - e. student rep for student council,
 - f. campus cupboard president,
 - g. vice chair for college democrats,



- h. building rep for rhaa,
 - 5. advocating for transportation,
 - 6. bring buses back to housing, met with the director several times,
 - 7. I would like to improve services from a low-income families,
 - 8. like to advocate for unrepresented programs, especially in CAHSS and environmental affairs
- QA
 - 1. What is one thing you would change on campus
 - a. Limiting car services, which creates carbon emissions, working with carpooling systems, advocate for lowering of parking passes but use car less
 - 2. Sarah- strength and weakness
 - a. Very well connected within community- green bay native
 - b. Spread myself too thin
 - 3. Addison- favorite planet
 - a. Earth
 - 4. G- what alderman do you know
 - a. Randy, Chris, etc
 - 5. Sierra- worried about spreading too thin, how are you going to prevent that
 - a. Keeping track of my time much better than before, I took on way too many things and had very little time for self-care so I try to leave my weekends as open as possible
 - 6. Tanner- yield to redundancy
 - 7. Grace- yield to redundancy
 - 8. Sierra end QA
 - a. Makayla seconded
 - Mohamed
 - 1. Second semester,
 - 2. software engineer,



3. thinking about international business,
 4. learn how to govern or how to be a good politician,
 5. I am from Somalia and went to Kenya, one of the things I see people need back home is education, I believe education is the key foundation to success, bring to everywhere in the world that education is needed, education is really small in other parts of the world
- QA
 1. Montana- what is one thing you would change on campus
 - a. Improve relationship between students and teachers, many teachers don't understand students and students don't understand their teachers, professor is up there talking and discussing important things, but people aren't paying attention, you should pay attention and the teachers should understand that there are different students in class
 2. Sierra- what committees
 - a. Academic and governance, unity and diversity
 3. Tanner- strength and weakness
 - a. W- procrastinate and time management
 - b. S- problem solving
 4. Jacob- what are you trying to do and grow from your weakness
 - a. I spend my time where I can learn something and at the same time I can learn to manage my time
 5. Sierra- move to end QA
 - a. Seconded by Lincoln
 - Discussion
 1. personally, I think they are all really good fits to be senators, they all went through there qualification and why they are fit to be on SGA
 2. agree with joy, I think it is going to be a very exciting year with all of them



3. I don't think there is anyone who didn't seem like a good fit, they all seemed very passionate about it
 4. I thought Mohamad had some really good answers and I am really excited for him to get a different prospective
 5. Becca was very knowledgeable, very passionate about the different committees
 6. the answer of "I think it looked good" wasn't a good answer
 7. I thought it was strange when she answered there wasn't anything more we could do for the lgbtq
 - a. point of clarification- didn't know what we were already doing for the community and wanted to learn more to be able to further assess
 8. Mohamad seemed very sincere and passionate and I liked what he had to say
 9. have a very good group of people and all come from a different group of people, we have a group of people who seem very involved
 10. on a specific person, Kujan's answer to greatest strength and weakness, not being able to come up with a weakness kind of comes off as egotistical in the way, I do think he will be a good team player but there may be issues,
 11. he did say overthinking so that could've played into it
 12. Tanner- moved to end discussion
 - a. Seconded by sierra
- Vote to package senators
 1. Sierra motions to package the vote excluding Dylan H
 - a. Seconded by Katera
 2. Motion passes- senators are packaged
 - Entertain a motion to vote
 1. Katera moved to vote
 2. Sierra seconded it
 - Passes 7-0-0

VI. Reports

- a) President:



- Abbie Wagamann- they them pronouns, we've been doing a lot, me and G went to Stevens point to attend the UW reps meeting, basically a large conference with all of the presidents and vp's of the uw system student governments, elected a new executive board member for them, new bill that is going to regents in October, also been helping with the chancellor business, as you guys know, Gary Miller is stepping down from his position September 30th, our interim chancellor is Sheryl beginning on October 1st, talked about parking on campus, brought up other things students have brought up and want to be addressed during this year, worked directly with president of uw system to appoint a student rep to a chancellor search and screen committee, we get a singular student representative about it, just announced search and screen committee, been working on a lot of internal stuff, getting placards printed, meeting with upper administration about what is going on this year – new provost and Eric Arneson, talking with alum, org smorg, student reps- got in contact with one of branch campuses (green bay at other locations)- having a lot of issues with the merger in getting in contact with the student governments at other locations, met the uw-sheboygan officials,
- b) Vice President
- Guillermo Gomez- he him his pronouns, abbie and I have a meeting with randy from city council to talk about early voting, hopefully we will be getting uwgb as an early voting location, need the student government support, when that moves forward we will talk more about it, faculty senate meeting, something on the campaign was a student bill of rights, basically it is insuring certain things to students and holding faculty and staff accountable, faculty supports it, faculty senate also talked about learning outcomes for writing emphasis courses, they want to make it so there are specific learning outcomes that are universal to every course, went to student reps meeting, said go pointers for role call
- c) Speaker of the Senate:
- Sierra Miller- give me your office hours and/or photo or I will chase you down in the hallway by Thursday, send me your top two committees that you want to be on and a third as a back ground choice, post on the discussion board that we have in the sga suites, rhaa with abbie last week, over the summer designed t-shirts and getting promo, we have promo but not t-shirts yet, expect a lot of emails from me for the next two weeks
- d) RHAA:
- Legislative body, sister org in residence life, if you would like to come to those meetings, they are Wednesday at 5:15, sierra and abbie go every week, they just went over their new executive board and we did some team building activites, some parlí pro practice, bringing in some guest speakers, bringing in university police, they are having smores and open house on Wednesday from 3:0-5:00 in the suites
- e) Student Court:
- Lacy- she her hers We have a new justice now, don't have a lot going on, talked about a meeting time
 - Jared- he him his



f) Standing Committees:

- Academics and Governance
 1. Kayla she her hers
 2. Not much going on, waiting for the senate, started office hours today
- Environmental Affairs
 1. Montana- she her hers
 2. Not much going on, looking forward to working with senators, looking forward to working on something that abbie nominated me for, excited to do some environmental things
- Equity and Diversity
 1. Pri- she her hers
 2. Nothing going on, running around campus like a chicken with its head cut off
- Health and Safety
 1. Emily she her hers
 2. Looking forward to getting to know all the senators, Sarah emailed me with a unique opportunity from chief jones, a student group to run policy through before giving it to the public
- Recreation and Athletics
 1. Sarah Bock- Spock
 2. Meeting with liaison last week, gave me the yearly report of the kress and things are great, swipes are up, new programs- urec outdoors, currently working on university recreation advisory committee, in the next week or so meeting with Hanna about an event idea
- Resources and Outreach
 1. Joy- she her hers
 2. Starting to entertain the idea of updating the SGA website, also thinking about entertaining some ideas about getting outside students involved in SGA, also I'm sick
- SUFAC
 1. Haley – she her hers
 2. The big lump sums that you see in seg fees on your tuition and we get to divvy them up between student orgs and auxiliaries of the campus
 3. Next week is first meeting on Thursday at 5:15 in the 1965 room,
 4. Reece- vice chair- he him his
 5. Org budget training on first and second of October
- Union and Dining
 1. Kyla- she her hers, not a lot going on, the union director is starting a union advisory committee

g) Advisor

- Interim advisor John, no report- he him his

VII. Announcements



- a) Kayla
 - Feminists for action first meeting is on Wednesday at 5:15 in world unity B, there is going to be food and we are going to talk about feminism 101
- b) Joy
 - Fox river tour on October 5th, there will be snacks, music and a guided tour, tickets are five dollars, sign up at UTIC
 - Also traveling opening house for Pride Center, MESA, and OSL from 10-1
- c) Sarah
 - Public safety has changed their name to university police and I encourage everyone to call them UNI POLI
- d) Montana
 - We have four trips for UREC outdoors, kayaking trip on October 12th, also have a climbing trip to devils lake right before Halloween
- e) Jacob
 - Halloween is October 25th and the clothing swap is October 21st, need volunteers for both, sign-ups are in the pride center, closet clean-ups on Wednesday from 9-11
- f) Joy
 - Banana nut is the superior flavor

VIII. Adjournment:

- a) Motion by Katera
- b) Seconded by Tanner
- c) Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm