1. Call to order 7:05 pm
2. Pledge
3. Acknowledgement
4. Roll Call
   1. Absent: Roberts, Serier, Reed, Asad, Samanjala, Sawyer-Ewing, Bein-Aime, Haas, Schreier
5. Words of Wisdom
6. Public Forum
   1. None
7. Open Forums
   1. Activity Fee – Not raising it. Current rate is $2.13 per credit
   2. Dewey Naatz & Eric Johnson – Athletics
      1. Athletic Seg fee – 2019-20 $5.50 per credit, 2020-21 $6.00 per credit
      2. Student athletes pay other fees, such as weight room fees
      3. Asking for a 9% increase to account for declining enrollment
      4. Trying to add new sports to attract more students and recruit more athletes.
      5. Senator George: What sports are you looking to add?
         1. Looking into adding Women’s Lacrosse
      6. Senator George: Stout has a wrestling club would that be something to consider adding?
         1. Old wrestling program didn’t get enough student athletes. Possible if alumni sponsor it.
      7. Senator Dumke: How many student athletes are there?
         1. About 600. About 850 have been involved in some athletics.
      8. Senator Dumke: What is the 4-10% budget cut?
         1. We may be facing a 4-10% budget cut from state funding.
      9. Senator Dumke: Can CI students participate in student athletics
         1. Student athletes must be fee paying. We wouldn’t really know though
      10. Senator Dumke: You’ve raised $600k in funds, how does this compare to previous years?
          1. It’s consistent around $600k each year.
      11. Senator Olesky: What is the status of the pool?
          1. Two years ago the pool had major issues with the tiles and the filtration system. Cost analysis showed that the pool was not worth keeping open. It’s non-regulation size pool.
          2. Senator Olesky: Is the pool space being used?
             1. No, not until the Rec Complex funding & renovation begins.
      12. President Canon: Starting Pitcher on a baseball team was a CI student. Will eSports be under athletics?
          1. eSports will not start under athletics. Someday it may be under athletics.
   3. Dewey Naatz/Mackenzie Stutzman – Urec
      1. Over 47% of students took part in Urec seg-fee funded activities.
      2. Service over 70% of students across all Urec Facilities
      3. $2.09 per credit, no requested increase
      4. Senator Olesky: Do you know anything about the climbing wall project?
         1. It is done.
         2. They added a bouldering wall as well
      5. Senator Korte: Is there any chance of lowering the seg fee?
         1. Curtis: No. There’s still a raise coming, so we likely can’t afford to lower it. I’m a little surprised there’s no increase.
      6. Senator Dumke: Do you know anything about usage over the years?
         1. Usage rates are fairly consistent. Certain activities that are declining we are reviewing next year.
      7. Senator George: Is it just students using URec facilities?
         1. Most URec facilities are students only. The Track can be accessed by community members who have purchased a pass when the track is open.
      8. Director Kangas: What percentage of revenue comes from community passes?
         1. We don’t know for sure at the moment, but it is not very high. Maybe 5%.
   4. Eric Johnson – Rec Complex
      1. Recreation and Athletic Complex is everything south of 13th Ave. Includes all the fields and fieldhouse.
      2. Seg fee- $3.04/credit for 2019-2020, 9% increase for 2021-22 ($3.31/credit)
      3. Maintenance costs are high, buildings going on 60 years old.
      4. Facilities help recruitment by having good relationships with area high schools.
      5. New turf field and lighting will help increase usability and active hours.
      6. Power washing the Williams Stadium decking, installing waterproof seals to prevent water and freezing damage
      7. Air handler replacement in the Fitness Center. HVAC equipment is 60yrs old and constantly failing.
      8. The renovation project was submitted to the state. We will get it back and make any necessary adjustments, then send it back to the state in March.
      9. Senator George: Turf fields for soccer are not the best materials to play on. Have you had any feedback on this from any soccer players?
         1. The weather has made the field unplayable for a large part of the year. We don’t really have the support needed to adequately support a grass field.
      10. Senator George: Have any nearby colleges done the same thing?
          1. UW River Falls has a turf football field, but they use it for soccer. Schools in the Twin Cities play on turf and several other UW Schools.
      11. Senator George: Will rental rates increase?
          1. We have not talked about it recently. We’ve increased rates for inflation but are otherwise stagnant. We want to keep our facilities marketable.
8. Approval of the Minutes
   1. Senator Short: Motion to amend role to change Senator Short from absent to excused. Seconded by Senator Halbach.
      1. Passed by voice vote.
   2. Approved by voice vote.
9. Unfinished Business
   1. None
10. New Business
    1. Appointment of Clerk of Elections
       1. Read by Senator Halbach
       2. VP Johnson: This will make President Canon the Clerk of Elections.
       3. President Canon: I want to revamp the elections process. Job shadowing, advertisements.
       4. Director Gentz moved the previous question, seconded by Senator Halbach
       5. Second reading waived.
       6. Passed by voice vote. 22-0-1 (Y/N/A)
    2. Approval of the Off-Campus Housing Ad-Hoc Committee
       1. Read by Senator George
       2. VP Johnson: This motion makes the Off-Campus Housing Ad-Hoc an official committee with official charges.
       3. Senator Dumke moved the previous question.
       4. Second reading waived.
       5. Passed by voice vote. 23-0-0 (Y/N/A)
    3. LED Retrofit for Cove Lighting in MSC Ballrooms
       1. Read by Senator Briggs
       2. Director Nadeau: Since the MSC is student funded, we can easily provide the extra funding to finish LED retrofits.
       3. Senator Kleinschmidt: Friendly amendment to change the date. Accepted.
       4. Director Beaulieu moved the previous question.
       5. Second reading waived.
       6. Passed by voice vote. 22-0-1 (Y/N/A)
    4. Post-Climate Strike Hot Cocoa Event
       1. Read by Senator Schwitzer.
       2. Director Nadeau: We wanted to go through catering for the event, but it was more expensive.
       3. Director Kangas: Friendly amendment to change “catering” to Menomonie Market Food co-op. Accepted.
       4. Senator Korte: Is 40 enough servings?
          1. Senator Leonhard: We are anticipating that not everyone that attends the strike will come to the post event.
       5. Senator Halbach moves previous question
       6. Second reading waived
       7. Passed by voice vote. (21-0-2) (Y/N/A)
    5. Senator Halback: Move to amend roll to add Senator Bein-Aime and Director Serier
       1. Approved (23-0-0)
    6. Resolution in support of geothermal system for UW Stout North Campus
       1. Read by
       2. Director Nadeau: This isn’t allocating any money, just showing our support.
       3. Senator Penoske: should we Friendly amendment to add Chancellor-designate Catherine Frank?
          1. Advisor Witucki: Chancellor Frank will have access to these files from interim-chancellor Guilfoile
       4. Director McConville: Should we add Rep. Stafsholt to the distribution list?
       5. Senator Halbach: Motion to add Rep. Stafsholt to the distribution list and add “state” in front of “Senator Patty Schachtner”.
          1. Senator Dumke moved the previous question
          2. Adopted by voice vote (23-0-0)
       6. Senator Kleinschmidt Moved the previous question
       7. Second reading waived
       8. Approved by voice vote (21-0-2)
    7. Point of Information: We do need to vote on waiving our second reading.
    8. Director Beaulieu: Motion to add Senator Asad to Roll.
       1. Approved by voice vote (23-0-0)
11. Reports
    1. Director Serier: We’re going through more constitutions in OAC and we are getting some good petitioning groups. Caught up on some housekeeping over break
    2. VP Johnson: A lot of work with Off-Campus housing committee. Working with Advisor Lee to get a written contract with CampusGroups and have gone over previous RCP contracts. Helping Director McConville with the lobbying trip. UWSSR meeting this Friday. Attended FAC.
12. Announcements:
    1. Senator Kleinschmidt: Men’s Hockey vs UW Superior is this week. Come to me for any URec questions.
    2. VP Johnson: Off Campus Housing Committee: review your materials. If you want to attend UWSSR let me know tonight.
    3. Senator Leonhard: Climate strike is this Friday. If anyone wants to sign the renewable by 2050 petition, see me.
    4. Director McConville: Respond to lobbying trip email. Update your outlook calendars.
    5. Senator Schwitzer: Next Wednesday is the Stout Gaming Expo.
    6. President Canon: Former President Bragleman was reached out to by office of international education for an event of hosting Korean students visiting Stout. Gaming event collab with PONG, TTG, and office of international education. Winter Reps. We need a seg fee motion. I will do it if no one else does.
13. Motion to Adjourn by Director Beaulieu
    1. Approved by voice vote @ 8:43pm