

Figure 1: Stout Student Association Logo

Meeting Agenda

7:00 PM Cedar/Maple, Memorial Student Center 50th Congress 8th Session October 22nd, 2019

- I. Call to Order at 7:00pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Acknowledgement of Country
- IV. Roll Call
 - a. Senator Haas Absent
- V. Standing Committee Roll Call
 - a. Executive
 - i. No meeting
 - b. Organizational
 - i. Senator Asad excused
 - c. Financial
 - i. Senator Halbach excused
 - ii. Senator Penoske Excused
 - d. Sustainability
 - i. All present
 - e. Diversity and Inclusivity
 - i. N/A
 - f. Visibility and Outreach
 - i. Larson Excused
 - g. Information Technology
 - i. Dunbar excused

VI. Words of Wisdom – Senator Leonhard has words of wisdom next week

VII. Open Forum

- a. Patty Schachtner open forum- Patty Schatner is currently serving her first term in the Wisconsin state senate after a special election in January 2018. Patty talks about how she represent everybody and that she has 178,000 constituents. She says that a lot of times people think when you don't vote for someone you think that that person doesn't represent you, but she doesn't believe that's true. She talks about how the state government is pretty split right now. She says they have had very few meeting since the year has started. Patty says that Tony Evers has called special sessions for gun control and background checks and how other Senators plan to block his plans. She Patty emphasizes that if you disagree you need to call your legislators. She says that once you call in your complaint gets officially recorded. Patty Schactner goes on to talk about a variety of things and emphasizes young adults roles in politics.
- b. Off Campus Housing Websites: Featuring Rent College Pads-Steve Catlin, Vice President Johnson, Director Serir-

VIII. Approval of the Minutes

- a. Minutes approved
- IX. Unfinished Business
 - a. 50.04.04 Updating the Constitution
 - This motion is to update and edit the constitution of the Stout Student Association.
 - i. Amendment to having senators at large serving additional office hours- Motion Passed 22 4 0

(Yays_Nays_Abstentions)

- i. Amendment to remove parts c and e MotionPassed 25_0_1(Yays_Nays_Abstentions)
- ii. Motion Passed 26_0__0 (Yays_Nays_Abstentions)
- b. 50.05.03 Updating the Bylaws
 - This motion is to update and edit the bylaws of the Stout Student Association
 - i. Amendment for Non voting member Bylaw edit -Motion Passed 26_0_0(Yays Nays Abstentions)
 - ii. Amendment for legal commission edit- Motion Passed26_0_0 (Yays_Nays_Abstentions)
 - i. Bylaws edit by senator Dumke amendment MotionPassed 26_0_0 (Yays_Nays_Abstentions)
 - i. Bylaws edit by senator Dumke amendment MotionPassed 26_0_0 (Yays_Nays_Abstentions)
 - ii. Motion Postponed 26_0__0(Yays_Nays_Abstentions)
- II. New Business
 - a. 50.08.01 Appointment of Shared Governance
 - i. This motion is to appoint various senators to shared governance committees.
 - ii. Motion Passed 26_0_0 (Yays_Nays_Abstentions)
 - b. 50.08.02 Carbon Neutral by 2050 Resolution for the City of Menomonie
 - This motion is for the U.S.S. of the S.S.A. to support the resolution for making the city of Menomonie carbon neutral by 2050.
 - ii. Motion Passed 23_1_2 (Yays_nays_Abstentions)

III. Reports

a. President – Canon

i. This week I had another lunch with Advisor Witucki and VP Johnson to talk about some SSA. Interviewed a potential Senator and put that through Senate. Worked on getting students to these Adhoc Committees that was ask of me and I was able to fill all of the student seats in a timely manner so I'm super happy about that! Worked out the CNIT snafu and got the individual into a different position. Attended the Student Debt Listening Session with Sarah Godlewski and had a wonderful time. I got to share my story about student debt and Director McConville, Senator Briggs, Director Nadeau, Senator Bien-Aime and myself was in attendance. Another interesting thing we got some motivation and got a guide if we consider doing a lobby trip down to Madison. After talking with Sarah and Director McConville we decided that we would pursue and see the feasibility of a lobbying trip. Attended the Legislative Affairs Special Committee and had a really in-depth conversation about the constitution and the by-laws. VP Johnson, Director McConville, Senator Halbach and Briggs have done an amazing job inside the committee working on updating our constitution. Special thanks to them! Put a heavily amount of time working in bringing back the Public Relation Specialist role in a different role. I have been working on creating the framework for the SSA

Marketing plan, that I plan to present to Visibility and Outreach committee and Senate. I volunteered under FAC to help with their quorum issues. At that meeting through a discussion with Jennifer Lee, I realized that SSA can do complying with open records law. All this means is including the agenda on the Connect event.

- b. Vice President Johnson
- c. Director of Communications Roberts
 - i. Last week I set up a meeting for the first VAO meeting. I updated the attendance sheets. I had a marketing and outreach meeting with President Canon and Rachel Hallgrimson. Rachael might become the advisor of VAO. I talked with Sarah Rykal about more vegetarian and vegan options and the idea I had about that.
- d. Director of Organizational Affairs Serier
- e. Director of Financial Affairs Gentz
 - i. I have been continuously working to revise and improve the FAC Standing Policy because there are some parts out of date or that do not reflect how things work. I am still working on my Rollover Reform proposal and I am preparing a report/presentation to share with Senate once I have made more progress with Stoutonia and BDP. I am also going to try something different this year. Once FAC approves the Contingency 1 budget, I will prepare a report to present along with the budget spreadsheet. The goal is to create something with more digestible

information about our budget. I have also been researching the student governments of other UW Schools for insight on how they run their finance committees and plan on discussing any new ideas this yields with FAC. On top of everything else, I have begun brainstorming for SSA Audit Rules, so that we can audit student org spending and levy punishments for wrongdoing.

- f. Director of Legislative Affairs McConville
 - i. This past week I think I accomplished a decent amount of things. I started the conversation with housing to set up a voter registration training. Due to my interest with the syllabus Ad Hoc Committee, I will now sit on that. I was asked to speak to faculty senate about the issue so I will be preparing for that in the next two weeks. We hopefully finished the Bylaw and Constitution edits this week. I also checked in with a few senators on what they are doing to make sure they get the assistance they need if so. Getting ready for Senator Schachtner's visit. Finally, I spoke and attended the State Treasures visit and talked to her personally. This visit got me thinking about starting to plan the Lobbying trip.
- g. Director of Diversity and Inclusivity Beaulieu
 - i. This past week I did several things. I went to the Blanket Exercise at the First Congregational Church. This was a 3 hour demonstration put on by members of the Ho-Chunk tribe. This demonstration was

designed to educate individuals about the history of colonization of Indigenous individuals in America. I should be receiving a digital version of what was discussed soon and can share it with anyone who would like to see it. In addition to attending the Blanket Exercise I created and presented an open forum to the senate about my position, the Diversity & Inclusivity Council, and I gave a brief overview of the diversity initiatives for the year. I finished my bylaw edits and I did some emailing and working on paperwork for a potential speaker collaboration in the Spring.

h. Director of Sustainability – Nadeau

- i. Last week I had the sustainability council where we were brought another Green Fee project by the Natural Areas Club for a hydroponics system in the greenhouse which is being moved forward. The sustainability council held the burrito event where we had a lot of positive interactions with students about how to sort waste on campus. During my office hours I wrote up two potential motions that are being put through the sustainability council and hopefully brought soon the USS.
- Director of Information Technology Kangas

IV. Additional Reports

- a. Shared Governance
- b. Standing Committee Reports
 - i. Financial Affairs Committee
 - ii. Diversity and Inclusivity Council

- iii. Organizational Affairs Committee
- iv. Sustainability Council
- v. Visibility and Outreach Committee
- vi. Information Technology Committee
- II. Announcements
- III. Adjourned 10:15