



*Figure 1: Stout Student Association Logo*

## **Meeting Minutes**

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7:00 PM Ballroom A, Memorial Student Center

50<sup>th</sup> Congress 13<sup>th</sup> Session December 3rd, 2019

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Acknowledgement of Country
- IV. Roll Call
- V. Standing Committee Roll Call
  - a. Executive
  - b. Organizational
  - c. Financial
  - d. Sustainability
  - e. Diversity and Inclusivity
  - f. Visibility and Outreach
  - g. Information Technology
- VI. Words of Wisdom – Senator Reindl
- VII. Public Forum for non-agenda items (max. 5 minutes)
- VIII. Open Forum
  - a. Student Activity Fee – Director of Financial Affairs
- IX. Approval of the Minutes
- X. Unfinished Business
- XI. New Business
  - a. 50.13.01 Appointment of the Clerk of Elections for there 2020 Stout Student Association Election

- i. This motion is to appoint President Canon as the clerk of Elections for the 2020 S.S.A. Elections.
- b. 50.13.02 Approval of the Off Campus Housing Ad-Hoc Committee
  - i. This motion is to approve the Ad-Hoc committee for the off campus housing website.
- c. 50.13.03 LED retrofit for Cove Lighting in the MSC Ballrooms
  - i. This motion is to approve the allocation of \$3,680 from the green fee for the implementation of 184 0-10-volt dimmable LED lamps in the MSC.
- d. 50.13.04 Post-Climate Strike Hot Cocoa Event
  - i. This motion is to approve the allocation of \$107.60 for hot cocoa purchased from the Menomonie Market Food Co-op.
- e. 50.13.05 Resolution in Support of a Geothermal System for UW-Stout's North Campus
  - i. This motion is to approve the resolution in support of UW-Stout pursuing a geothermal system for North campus.

## XII. Reports

- a. President – Canon
  - i. Thanksgiving was a weird one this year with the snowstorms. I attended International Night which was really good and amazing to see all of our diverse students sharing their culture with us. The performers were amazing. Kirstyn Blessing reached out to me to partner again with WI talked with Kirstyn Blessing about continuing the collaboration with some visiting Korean students to campus. Sent off

the email to Jeni Paulson about our intentions of collaborating with the 2020 United States Census partnership. I will be reaching out to key stakeholders soon. Prepared Winter Reps applications and they're now open. Tasked the SSA Graphic Designer to give a reporting mechanism about their project and how much work they have been doing. Setting up a review system so we can implement a pay increase for that position (more on that when I introduce it to Senate). We're coming down to the last 2 meetings of the semester and it has truly been a joy serving as President of this Congress and working with all of you. Did some other housekeeping stuff as well! Two more meetings until you all get a well-deserved break.

b. Vice President - Johnson

c. Director of Communications – Roberts

i. Last week I hosted a listening session with Director Beaulieu. We also have a meeting with the director of dining coming. I helped with recycling audit for the sustainability office. I went to the safety and workers compensation committee. We talked about a lot of things like new signage for the doors warning people about slippery ice. I also had a VAO before the break was over.

d. Director of Organizational Affairs - Serier

e. Director of Financial Affairs – Gentz

i. I've had a very busy week even with Thanksgiving Break. Working on picking a new FAC meeting time

for next semester and getting our reservations in order. The Contingency 2 process has gone well, and we will be deliberating this Friday, December 6th. The next stages of my Audit and Rollover initiatives can't really happen until next semester, but I will continue to brainstorm and work on them throughout the winter.

f. Director of Legislative Affairs – McConville

- i. This last week I have been mainly focusing on planning the lobbying trip. I went to the All In Wisconsin Lunch with Senator Bien-Aime, and Vice President Johnson. I think it went well, I was able to express my unhappiness with the event not being at Stout, as well as the President Search Committee. Finally, I was able to get in contact with UWEC's version of my position, hopefully him and I can work together and bounce ideas off of each other to make both of our positions better.

g. Director of Diversity and Inclusivity – Beaulieu

- i. The last two weeks I did several things. I did some planning for diversity week. I went to two events for trans week of remembrance to support our LGBT community on campus. I went to contingency hearings and presented for the two-spirit speaker as well as rollover for diversity week. I also went to the conference collaboration meeting between the multicultural orgs. I had a meeting with Director of Multicultural services who shared with me she will be leaving her position on campus (I told the Associate

Dean of EDI I could sit on the search if they needed a student of color with experience in search committees). Lastly, I went to Her Campus's PMStival to educate students about menstruation and how they affect more than female identifying individuals.

h. Director of Sustainability – Nadeau

- i. I had the Sustainability Council where we discussed and passed three motions which was good. I also went to the Waste Reduction Work Group where there was good discussion about event waste bins, a recycling bin dive that happened, shredded paper in the recycling and packaging materials for furniture deliveries. Finally I looked over the DCT Ridership agreement because it needed to be updated which we were able to get done and sent off for further signing.

i. Director of Information Technology – Kangas

- i. I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable Thanksgiving weekend. Since my last report, I have been busy organizing a roundtable event by getting a room reservation, getting snacks ordered, creating a connect event, and submitting advertisement for Campus Life Today. This event will be talking about campus I.T with Sue Traxler. It will be on December 11th from 12:30 to 1:30 in MSC Birch. All students are invited and as I mentioned previously, snacks will be provided! Additionally, I met with Sue Traxler and had an SITC meeting. In the SITC meeting, we

discussed the feedback I have received from the open forum I had a few weeks ago. From that feedback, we have made an additional bylaw change which will send Student Technology Fee proposals through the U.S.S. If you have any questions about this, please reach out to me.

### XIII. Additional Reports

#### a. Shared Governance

- i. Waste Reduction Work Group - In this meeting we discussed the contamination issues that have been seen in the two waste sorting events. We also talked about the issue with shredded paper being recycled. One possible way to fix that was thought about was taking it to Dunn County Solid Waste & Recycling. Another topic was the progress of the project to acquire more event waste bins for Facilities and the MSC. Finally, we discussed what to do about the blue trash cans in "dormland" and hopefully will get them changed out soon.
- ii. All in Wisconsin - Vice President Johnson, Senator Bien-Aime, and myself Director McConville, attended the All in Wisconsin lunch with student leaders from UWEC and some system regents. We were able to talk to the UWEC student government leaders and see how their senate runs. I talked to their "Director of Legislative Affairs" and I will be in touch with him about he does his position in the future. Finally, I talked about how there should have been a separate meeting at UW-Stout since all of the other UW

schools got one and we had to commute. I also put in my two cents about the System President Search Committee and my question was avoided and they spoke on a very rehearsed response back. They were also wondering how to keep students in Wisconsin and I told them that if they are going to rely on students to do things, they need to have us at the table i.e. the search committee. Overall, it was nice to attend, and I think we got some important points across.

- iii. Senate of Academic Staff - The chair had her report and reminded people of the Qualtrics form for the budget cuts. She also said that the chairs of each senate had a conference call with Ray Cross about the Chancellors search. People had questions about what happens with Patrick and the rest of administration after the new Chancellor is hired. The last pertinent thing to students is that there is a form to fill out if you fall on the ice, they said fill it out even if you do not know you are hurt right away, it could be useful if you find out you are hurt a few days later.
- iv. Faculty Senate Meeting- The meeting started with an open form from Aaron Aure, Executive Director of Enrollment and Retention Services. He talked about the current enrollment issues the state is facing and currently Stout is bucking the trend a bit. Stout has dropped in students quite a lot over the past years but has recently begun to regain some lost ground. The biggest areas for growth have been transfers

and retention. If you would like more information on this please see Senator Penoske. Next, there was a large discussion on the committee to hire the new system president, similar to the conversation at SSA. Finally, there was some committee reports, mainly bylaw edits, and the introduction of the General Education Director. If you have further questions please see Senator Penoske.

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

XIV. Announcements

XV. Adjourn