



*Figure 1: Stout Student Association Logo*

## **Meeting Agenda**

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7:00 PM Ballroom A, Memorial Student Center

50<sup>th</sup> Congress 9<sup>th</sup> Session October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019

- I. Called to Order at 7:00pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Acknowledgement of Country
- IV. Roll Call
  - a. All present
- V. Standing Committee Roll Call
  - a. Executive
    - i. Director Gentz excused
    - ii. Vice President Johnson excused
    - iii. Director Roberts excused
  - b. Organizational
    - i. Senator Schrier Excused
  - c. Financial
    - i. Advisor excused
  - d. Sustainability
    - i. All present
  - e. Diversity and Inclusivity
    - i. All present
  - f. Visibility and Outreach
    - i. No meeting
  - g. Information Technology

i. No meeting

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

VII. Open Forum

a. Campus groups open forum- Director Gentz and Vice President Johnson present to senate the university's own option for an online college renting website. This option resented is totally from the school and SSA would have full control over what happens. It has all the same features as the website rent college pads and it would be available through the connect webpage.

VIII. Approval of the Minutes

a. Minutes were not sent out

b. Approval of the minutes postponed for one week **27 -0 – 0**

**(Yays-Nay-Abstentions)**

IX. Unfinished Business

a. 50.05.03 Updating the Bylaws

i. This motion is to update and edit the bylaws of the Stout Student Association

**ii. Motion Passed 27 -0 – 0 (Yays-Nay-Abstentions)**

X. New Business

a. 50.09.01 Appointment of Senator at-Large

i. This motion is to appoint Mathew Korte as Senator At-Large.

ii. Senate moves to make all senator appointments an omnibus motion

b. 50.09.02 Appointment of Senator of the College of Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Management.

- i. This motion is to appoint Brianna O’Leske as Senator of the College of Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Management.
- c. 50.09.03 Hydroponics System in the Greenhouse
  - i. This motion is to approve funding from the green fee to add a hydroponics system in the greenhouse.
  - ii. Friendly amendment to add “and Dhani Cole” at the end of the motion
  - iii. Motion Passed 30-0-0 (Yays-Nays-Abstentions)**
- d. 50.09.04 Additional Site-Study Funding for Bus Shelters
  - i. This motion is to approve alternative transportation funding for additional site-studying for the new bus shelters.
  - ii. Senator Reed makes a friendly amendment to add “s” to shelter in the first “whereas” in the motion
  - iii. Motion Passed 29 -0 – 1 (Yays-Nay-Abstentions)**
- e. 50.09.05 Appointment of Senator of First Year Experience
  - i. This motion is to appoint Jared Kula as Senator of First Year Experience.
- f. 50.09.06 Appointment of Senator of Student Services
  - i. This motion is to appoint Kristen Van Dyke as Senator of Student Life services.
  - ii. Kristen did not show up to senate so she wasn’t appointed.
- g. 50.09.07 Omnibus motion 50.09.01 - 02 and 50.09.05
  - i. Motion Passed 27 -0 – 0 (Yays-Nay-Abstentions)**

## XI. Reports

- a. President – Canon

- i. I had a few senator interviews. Had a good lunch with Advisor Witucki and VP Johnson, I job shadowed the Blue Devil Production Campus Marketing Director as the position is the inspiration for the Public Relations Specialist. Right afterwards I had an interview with a potential senator. Had a meeting with VC Lyons and he shared with me some exciting information that I am still waiting to get the email confirmation, but the financial hold is supposed to be raised from \$2 to \$100. He also said he would be willing to go half on Senator Sawyer-Ewing doggy bag project. Friday I did the tour guide for the Grand opening of North Hall and Merle Price Commons and I delivered a good speech that I worked overnight on.
- b. Vice President – Johnson
  - i. Had lunch with Darrin and President Canon. Talked about the public relations position I also asked questions I had about legal services. The plan for the legal services should be finished and presented to senate soon. I 've also been planning the trip to systems rep next week.
- c. Director of Communications – Roberts
  - i. This past week I sent out emails about the carbon neutral resolution. I also had the first visibility and outreach meeting. I worked on the minutes from last week. I made a post on Facebook to thank our state senator for coming last week. I made the agenda. I talked with Sarah Rykal about sustainable food and dining at stout.

- d. Director of Organizational Affairs – Serier
  - i. This past week I went to strategic planning group. I also started doing reference checks on the candidates for the chancellor search committee. During OAC we had a good week working on petitions to get more organizations approved. I went to the market place meeting for connect and got the see the exciting prototype of the product. The chancellors finalist should be announced soon.
- e. Director of Financial Affairs – Gentz
  - i. This week I sent out the first draft of my proposed rollover reform rule to BDP and Stoutonia leaders. I still plan on having a budget report to present to Senate once Contingency 1 deliberations have concluded. My goal is to present the budget along with various statistics to make the numbers and scope more digestible. Last, but not least, I have begun the process of Student Org Audits, starting with Stoutonia. I hope to have reviewed all orgs by the end of the academic year.
- f. Director of Legislative Affairs – McConville
  - i. This past week mostly consisted of finishing the Bylaw edits, so they can hopefully get passed. This took an immense amount of work from President Canon, Vice President Johnson, Senator Briggs and Halbach, Senator Dumke decided to join us this last week and had valuable additions. I also sent out another reminder email to Representative Stafsholt, and sent a thank you to Senator Schachtner. I will be

moving my attention to planning a lobbying trip, as this is something that has been put on my back burner due to Bylaws and the Constitution edits.

g. Director of Diversity and Inclusivity – Beaulieu

- i. This past week I did several things. I finished watching the budget forum so I knew the status of our budget at UW-Stout. I continued working on getting events ready for diversity week and started thinking about what funding we need for diversity week. I also did lots of contacting individuals to try and get a speaker to campus. I currently am working to negotiate their price down, and I have started the contract. I also was contacted by Her Campus to help with a event. Lastly I did my weekly tasks of going through my email, running my council, and uploading my minutes to connect. The search committee for the new LGBTQIA coordinator has started conducting phone interviews. Should have on Campus interviews starting next week hopefully.

h. Director of Sustainability – Nadeau

- i. Last week I held the Sustainability Council which was another meeting with great discussion. I also went to meetings for the Waste Reduction Work Group and Sustainability Steering Committee which I wrote reports on separately. Another meeting I went to was a meeting to discuss the details for the two segregated fees that I will be presenting on in November to the USS. I held a meeting for the Stout-Bus Group where we discussed the agenda topics

for the meeting on October 29th with Dunn County Transit. Finally, I went to the Marketplace presentation meeting where I learned about the new housing page being developed by campus groups.

i. Director of Information Technology – Kangas

- i. On Monday, I met with Sue Traxler to talk about incoming requests for STF in addition to the bylaws for SITC. I also attended SPG on Monday which does not have anything of importance to note. For the rest of the week, I worked on the SITC bylaws and sent a few emails to people around campus; I think we are pretty close to finalizing the first SITC bylaws which is exciting. On Friday, I went to the grand opening of the Commons and North Hall. The renovation completely changed the buildings and it looks beautiful. I am very excited to see how these spaces are used in the years to come.

XII. Additional Reports

a. Shared Governance

- i. Sustainability Steering Committee- In this meeting we discussed the two sub-groups of the committee which are for implementing an alternative transportation incentive program and for working on an administrative procedure for renovation and new construction. We then had a lengthy discussion on how to market the sustainable aspects of stout not only for new students but also to other departments in order to encourage them to put more sustainable elements into their coursework. Finally, we ended on

briefly talking about how we wanted to go about reviewing the Campus Sustainability Action Plan.

- ii. Waste Reduction Work- In this meeting we talked about getting numbers together for event recycling and compost bins that the green fee is interested in funding. We also talked about departments on campus can request less packaging materials in their deliveries in their purchasing orders. Another topic was the financials of Dunn County Solid Waste & Recycling which was interesting to hear. Finally, we learned that Morgan Gerk from DCSW&R is going to be attending our next meeting.
- iii. Meeting with CSTEMM Dean Charles Bomar- The primary purpose of the meeting was introductions however we also discussed the topic of evaluations and complaints. Currently, communication between the student body and administration is very weak. Many complaints do not reach the administration and students rarely fill out the instructor evaluations that get sent out for every course. Both of these are vital to maintaining the health of the campus. Our working goal is to increase the quantity and quality of student feedback. If you have any questions or suggestions, please come talk to me.
- iv. STEMM Council Meeting- First, there was a presentation on student athletes in STEMM. Student-athletes are very important for enrollment, especially for STEMM. Over half the athletes on campus are STEMM majors and those that are athletes have a



high graduation rate. There are a bunch more statistics covered, see me for more. Purpose was to encourage increased collaboration between STEM and athletics in both advisement and enrollment. Next was a series of course revisions and new additions. The highlights were a new minor, Environmental Health, in the works (based on current courses) and a major program revision in Industrial and Applied Mathematics (designed to increase enrollment, targeting international students). If you are interested, see me for details.

- v. Senate Academic Staff - The chair talked about the potential chancellors visits coming up, and gave the option for all senators to go to the lunch if they so choose. I learned that there is also a chancellors search page that exists. Next they talked about budget costs, which usually happens every week. Also an awareness for the formal complaint procedures. Someone on the chancellors search committee came to the meeting and discussed how it is going, she gave a lot of good information that she could at that time. She said it is going good, and the search is very inclusive. Regent Plante will be coming back to get more input from people. Finally one key quote I took away from the meeting was that the chair pointed out that if senators are not educated on the motion they are voting on they should not be voting, they should be abstaining. Something we should also take note of at senate.

- 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

- a. Senator Hilbert- Veterans day is coming up and there is going to be care package drive from 6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup>. You can donate a lot like hygiene products and games. There will also be a flag honoring that you can sign people you know in the military up for it. The flags get raised Monday and there will be a window display.
- b. Director Bealieu- The cube is hosting an event from 6-8. You can get free food and bring your costume.
- c. Vice President Johnson- Systems rep is coming up if you want to go let me know it's next week on the 9<sup>th</sup> we will be leaving the 8<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to be on the legal service commission let me know.
- d. Advisor Witucki- I will be administering the oath of office after senate by the flags.
- e. Senator Kleinschmidt- Friday is the last volleyball home game and the football game is on Saturday.

## III. Adjourned at 8:51

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