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## Meeting Minutes

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7:00 PM Ballroom A, Memorial Student Center  
49th Congress 13th Session December 4, 2018

- I. Call to Order at 7:03 pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Acknowledgement of Country
- IV. Roll Call
- V. Standing Committee Roll Call
  - a. Executive
    - i. All present
  - b. Organizational
    - i. No meeting
  - c. Financial
    - i. Senator Ramos Absent
  - d. Sustainability
    - i. All Present
  - e. Diversity and Inclusivity
    - i. Vice Chair Laehn excused
  - f. Visibility and Outreach
    - i. Senator Haas excused
- VI. Words of Wisdom – Senator Larson
  - a. *You either get bitter or you get better. It's that simple. You either take what has been dealt to you and allow it to make you a better person, or you allow it to tear you down. The choice does not belong to fate, it belongs to you. – Josh Shipp*
  - b. Senator Haas next week words of wisdom
- VII. Open Forum
  - a. Rec Complex Committee – Rec Complex Committee Members
    - i. Rec Committee
      - o Timeline of this committee, we started in 2015 and we have done three surveys that highlight the need established a

need to update our campus facility. Visited other schools that we are behind them.

- We have a consistent top four needs (Fitness & Cardio Space, Locker Rooms, Indoor Open Recreation Space and Outdoor Turf Field (currently in progress, summer 2019)
- UW-Oshkosh has done some massive renovation and strictly for recreation for their students and a 4.35 acre recreational complex.
- UW-La Crosse added 9,000 sq. ft. of fitness & cardio space
- UW-Stout showers is worse off and we would like to have more inclusive showering gendering options.
- Locker rooms has been an old foundation and would like them to see that we are putting work for our school.
- UW-Stout is the second lowest in seg fee cost. This is about half of what Superior is paying for and the other universities.

ii. Gary

- In 2007 Chancellor Sorensen commission a group of people to have a master plan. It took two years to do it and the document was 107 pages long. The recommendations of the time planning are listed below:
- Option A
  - a. Has all the needs and it is time for the building to go renovation. This is potentially a project that could be approve without a referendum vote. Looking at a 6.3 million dollar project, if we are not able to make a decision soon, two years from now would be the increase.
  - b. The decision was made to close the pool and it would cost us significantly more money to close the pool. Fill the pool in and make it a gymnasium. Going to gut the concrete and create private showers and provide space for gender neutral bathrooms.
  - c. Impact would be \$75.00 and UW-Stout would still be ranked pretty low at \$163.50 total seg fee.
- Option B
  - a. Add a strength training, cardio and we could convert this space to a multi-use gym. Important that the staff be there and meet people. Elimination of the fitness membership fee. For 15 million dollars would include

option A & B. Impact is \$187.50 increase. We would bring the students in this and the actual design will be different.

- Option C
  - a. This option would build a second floor addition, space dedicated to open recreation, multi-use courts and walking, jogging track. This number comes at 23 million dollars. When the group walked around and they use a lot of natural light and we're bringing a lot of light with big windows. This impact would be \$250.00 increase. Phase an increase in seg fee increase all at once, example:
    - b. \$187 total, Year 1: \$50, Year 2: \$50, and Year 3: \$87.
- Have had some interest in major donors and we could give them tonight to get them to help out. Hoping to update our facility to keep them in time progressing.
- Senator Schoenike
  - a. First question, option A I would like explanation of the possibility it being approve without a referendum.
- President Bragelman
  - a. We as a body would vote on it.
- Senator Schoenike
  - a. Option A is a basic need with a seg fee increase double dipping into student wallets and remote possibility could include membership fees being waive?
- President Bragelman
  - a. They can't waive user fees with just space available, if the space isn't increasing.
- Senator Schoenike
  - a. If the membership was waiving it include things like group fitness? How would this impact parking?
- Rec
  - a. Yes, based on the feasibility study impact 60 parking spots. Whenever the option comes up for space it would allow us to buy land for parking.
- Senator Schoenike
  - a. Have you been working with Parking is something in the foreseeable horizon that could lose 60 spots?

- b. There is a number of lots and we could easily pick up 60 spots.
- Director Buchanan
  - a. I understand the last congress approve feasibility study and they also approve and set aside money for a predesign study to get more information. What is your reasoning to not follow those instructions?
- Rec
  - a. They would not permit us to go to pre design and we would need to direct to what project they would look at. Justin and I have a lot of discussion with system and some day it hard to read what they're thinking in Madison. They spent serious times looking at things and we have confidence in our numbers.
- Senator Dettmann
  - a. Do you have a timeline for how long these projects would take?
  - b. Is there any proposal to upgrade equipment?
  - c. Window of opportunity to put in the submission?
  - d. Would any of these changes at the North Point gym?
- Rec
  - a. The simple answer is we don't know for sure how long it would take. We had to use something in order to peg the number.
  - b. Construction would start 2023. That would be optimistic. If a Donor shows up it could move faster. There's all new equipment going in and included in the number.
  - c. There's a capital team that give us permission and the next time to ask a major product is next September.
  - d. We did not look at any of it.
- Senator Brisbin
  - a. Realistically what would be an option you would be comfortable with?
  - b. Why did you produce the seg fee chart?
  - c. Three year plan for the slow increase and the soonest would be 2023? When would that seg fee start for students?
- Rec

- a. As of yesterday, option A and I see that our students are bitter and we could make things are better. Option B there is a big need for everything in the building is the most idea. Option B would make us in comparison to other UW-System schools
  - b. In the words of our Dean of Students, that trip the trigger for students to go to that facility.
  - c. That's an answer by the budget office. It begins when the architect start the design.
- Director Witucki
  - a. The fee amount that allow you build a little capital.
- Director Lytle
  - a. Would the building be a usable space?
  - b. I heard some donor dollar was in the mix, how substantial do you think those will be?
- Gary
  - a. We don't really know how long this would take. At the same time there's a need to increase enrollment on campus.
- Duey
  - a. I would say they are committed and they kind of like all of us what could they put their name on.
- Senator Brown
  - a. You mention the parking lot early, I believe the gravel lots was residential lot.
  - b. The research, I would like to know who was it all sent to and how it was sent out? Our survey and is something that done across the nation.
- Gary
  - a. The lots are also was residential.
- Mackenzie
  - a. That data is very consistent across the board.
- Senator Franda
  - a. When would the membership fee be waived? The first waive of seg fees and that would be
- Duey
  - a. This is something that should be implemented.
- Senator Schoenike

- a. What is the actual timeline period for the seg fee paying? What would be the timeline for paying the seg fee?
  - b. Would the waive of the user fee would last as long?
  - c. Efforts in either fundraising to maintain the 0 user fees?
  - d. While instruction occurs, what would the access look like? Would there still be operation for students and still have rec access.
  - e. If this were to pass, that the design team is as intentional for continue usability and access the recreation and not get a raw deal.
- Advisor Witucki
  - a. The fee would stay up for 20 years.
- Gary
  - a. Yes.
  - b. Once that membership fee goes away it would not go back. That budget is coming in and goes out.
  - c. I would say that would be one of the challenges of the design team to be a phase approach. I can't answer you straight up and not an option.
- Senator Kostka
  - a. Football team and I go to a different schools and every other school is working on a new complex. It is always eye catching and help. In comparison to what they are already using it is paying a substantial amount of money.
- Senator Dettmann
  - a. We can't underestimate how great these updates are and it is not a pleasant experience. The benefit it does for the students and emotion benefits is something you cannot downplay.
- Senator Laehn
  - a. How many people would have to park on north campus and live on main campus?
- Gary
  - a. The vice chancellor is working on expanding the campus boundary and land potential.
- Senator Ruf

- a. I would like to show my support and I fully support these options specifically option B.
  - o Director Lytle
    - a. Echo my support for this and it's a 60 year old building.
  - o Senator Vandusartz
    - a. How dire it is comparison to option B and C? Would it go students or clubs?
  - o Gary
    - a. We would have to work through
  - o Director Lytle
    - a. Publicly push a large public input for student opinion.
  - o Senator Londre
    - a. If option B would you be able to and would build it add option C?
  - o Gary
    - a. Yes.
  - o Director Canon
    - a. I believe we should take a long look at this and not so much focus on the money part of it, but rather focusing on hearing our student voices and going with what our constituents want from us.
- b. Allocable Activities Fee – Director Halbach
  - i. Part of my role is overseeing the financial affairs committee and approximately 147 student organizations. Currently for our seg fee it will stay the same. This money covers the annual budget process, just in time request, contingency.
- c. Diversity Bridge Team (DBT): Subcommittee Charges – Director Beaulieu
  - i. These are the charges that can't be covered in an hour in a half diversity bridge team meetings. The DBT is starting to go over and you can contact myself or Director of the Bridge Team.
    - o First Committee is the Social Media and Diversity Calendar.
      - a. Essentially talking about ways to promote that calendar to social media.
    - o Stout Inclusive leadership coalition
      - a. Giving community involvement as well and do promotion efforts.
    - o Online Module of Start Some SHIFT

- a. One of the many educational and identity program. I know they need help regarding revising some of the information.
- Initiatives and Recourse Allocation Study
  - a. Look at the funds that the cultural departments, ASPIRE, MSS, Disability services and look at where they're gaps in funding.
- Inclusive Excellence Data
  - a. Talk about data metrics for Stout and get our LGBT up to date.
- Intercultural Skillsets in the Classroom
  - a. Ways to implement templates for diversity and inclusivity in the classroom. Syllabus and insert official
- d. Associate Dean of Equity DI Job Description – Director Beaulieu
  - i. Director Blue has an idea for a 5 minutes recess. Then there is quick discussion from President Bagleman.
    - Second point of the EDI job description
      - a. Beaulieu discusses how it
    - The new EDI would have a relationship with the Associate Director of the MSC. The person would not have any direct contact with Julie Miller, instead her supervisor Jennifer Lee.
    - The job description has a lot of clarity and I wanted to bring up my concerns.
  - ii. Senator Brisbin
    - I think the verbiage is vague and up for interpretation to the relationship and the duties of the position.
  - iii. Director Buchanan
    - He has met with department chairs and thought that there were going to be different changes. More of a direct relationship between disability services and LGBTQIA+. Phil interpretation of the indirect relationship instead of a dual. This means that Julie discuss stuff with Jennifer Lee and also discuss with the Associate Dean.
    - They are no longer accepting changes to this description and he (Phil Lyons) decided not to come at all to the meeting. We have been looking at the position for 12 months, due to the pressure from SSA it does not need to be brought back up to us. He also preferred the original as oppose to this.

- Has inform the Dean of Students to put out this position to start looking for the search committee. It looks like no more than one person is coming from Eau Claire and one from each the student government.
- The department that would have been impacted is not on the search committee.
- iv. Senator Brisbin
  - This is the done deal, what can we do? No more than eight can sit on the hiring committee.
- v. President Bragelman
  - After questioning at Faculty Senate and hopefully he would come in and talk to us. This summer Sandi approached me and Hannah/Brandon will be on the search committee. Tiffani Taggart is working with Phil to make this communication again.
  - Director Nadeau
    - a. Do we know if the director of diversity have a direct relationship?
  - Senator Schoenike
    - a. It is a vice-chancellor and is idiotic that it's not on cabinet. The Chancellor have said there was no room
  - Director Canon
    - a. Can we get some representation inside the change that Tiffani and Phil will be working on?
  - President Bragelman
    - a. Yes, I believe Tiffani will be coming up and talk.
  - Senator Ramos
    - a. When exactly this change happen?
    - b. Would maybe presenting a resolution be worth our time?
  - President Bragelman
    - a. We got it for a couple days and it has been out for a couple weeks.
    - b. We can talk about damning the process.
  - Julie Miller
    - a. I do not think it's not too late and it looks like the Senate of Academic Staff plan for some action. Phil state that the intention is to have this dual relationship. Miranda said if it's so vague that it will be

open to interpretation than it would be important to clarify in the paragraph.

- Director Buchanan
  - a. I think we know we can do clerical work and get to us a better part. For example: Indirect could be changed to clerical. Instead of letting it be very vague.
- Senator Ruf
  - a. I was looking at Eau Claire and compare the position and be a good convincing factor.
- Director Beaulieu
  - a. I want everyone to be thinking about what we should do as a senate.

VIII. Approval of the Minutes

**a. Minutes could not be approved due to open records law**

IX. Unfinished Business

X. New Business

- i. 49.13.01 Segregated Fee Recommendations for 2019-2020
  - This motion is to vote on the segregated fee recommendations for the 2019-2020 academic school year
  - Senator Dettmann
    - a. For instructional Resources are we going with full propose drawbacks?
  - President Bragelman
    - a. No, they are not, it will be breaking up over 25 years. Essentially 12.5%
  - Director Beaulieu
    - a. Could we put something in the clause to let them know that it will be 12.5%.
  - Advisor Witucki
    - a. We can have advisors that returned and senators to provide continuity.
  - Director Buchanan
    - a. Everyone enjoyed that 25% and Curtis knows his stuff and this is still good.
  - **Motion could not be approved due to open records law and will be voted upon next meeting.**
- ii. 49.13.02 Appointment of Winter Representatives

- Motion to appoint Director of Communications Deon Canon and Senator Chris Johnson as Winter Representatives for the 49<sup>th</sup> Congress of the Stout Student Association
  - a. Director Canon speak on his remarks of how regretful he was due to the reasoning we could not vote on business. With that being said he still believes he would do a great job for his Winter Reps duty.
- **Motion could not be approved due to open records law and will be voted upon next meeting.**
- iii. 49.13.03 Appointment of Shared Governance
  - This motion is to appoint students to shared governance committees.
    - a. **Motion could not be approved due to open records law and will be voted upon next meeting.**

## XI. Reports

### a. President

- i. This week I got the seg fee motion put together and hunted down the last bits of info that I needed from Curtis, IRS, and the Rec Complex. I also met with Patrick Guilfoile and updated him on several initiatives. I met with people from the Office of International Education to collaborate on some events- that I will present to the senate soon! I also signed off on the memo that Sue Traxler and I are sending to Bob Meyer to inform him of our Student Tech Fee recommendations.  
I answered some emails from other campuses that wanted to know more about our reasoning for voting against the Reps constitution edits. I also went to System reps, and we voted in a new chair and vice chair! I also answered some emails from senators and listened to a student that had complaints about the Dean of Students office.

### b. Vice President

- i. My report, I broke a few landlord hearts around the housing fair. I finalize the Samuel E. Wood documents and push out the email and have the Connect tab up and running. Connect finally got back on the off-campus housing website. I was going to System reps and we went via tele-conference.

### c. Director of Communications

- i. This week was a blast, I finally gotten the senator emails created. I finished After that, I have been working on getting the vice-chairs

paid for their time and I'm working on the cultural kitchen event. I attended system reps and that was fun. I'm beginning to prepare for next semester and my goals for the year. Next week's meeting I will include my goals down for next semester. I also, went to Strategic Planning Group and I will include that report at next week meeting. I also have been putting in work on the Graphic Design position that I'm trying to make and you all will see this next week.

- d. Director of Organizational Affairs
  - i. Last week, I worked on the motion for the Women in Information Technology and Security. I also communicated with organizations. I didn't do a whole lot because I was sick. I went to faculty senate and what I said at the podium was my report.
- e. Director of Financial Affairs
  - i. My weekly report is the FAC committee with the Contingency 2 deliberations and advisor lee. For contingency 1 we are not going to approve or deny anything until we get the full update. It will not show up until Connect changes. My week has been preparing and next week will be submitting Contingency 2
- f. Director of Legislative Affairs
  - i. This week, I been following what's going on Madison for the Lame-duck session, one nontraditional and citizen regent updates. Currently right now, the republicans has been caucusing until 4 pm and we don't know what's going to pass and what not. There is 100s of bills that are proposing to be pass through. I'm going to start doing the Wheeler report and compiling what another SGA have been doing. I attended Diversity Bridge Team last week and I did not been able to fully write the report and will have it to you all by next week.
- g. Director of Diversity and Inclusivity
  - i. This week I did several things related to Diversity Week. Reaching out to individuals to participate events, setting up a meeting to go over registration, as well as event planning for events like the 5 faces of oppression. I also attended the Diversity Bridge Team Meeting, which I will be drafting a separate report for, as well as meeting with housing staff to discuss diversity efforts in housing and had a meeting with Barb Miller to discuss several things related to diversity on campus.
- h. Director of Sustainability

- i. Last week I discussed the motion for StoutBikes with the sustainability council that was later passed by the senate so that was exciting. Also looked at a preliminary quote from Max-R for compost bins for the sports and fitness center. I talked to Justin Krahm from University Dining about trying to get the stadium concessions in line with the rest of dining and all of the compostable containers they offer. I also went to the sustainability steering committee that I wrote a report on as well. I also started to prepare for the sustainability roundtable event that I will be hosting on Friday December 7th. Then on the weekend I bought a boat.

## XII. Additional Reports

### a. Shared Governance

- i. IT Strategic Planning Committee
  - o Went on hold and we are trying to catch up. We have a draft what's the strategic plan for 3-5 years, and address a lot of concerns from previous council.
- ii. Senate of Academic Staff
  - o SAS welcomed some new senators. Chair Taggart will send info to anyone who wants to be considered a subject matter expert for a job family being reviewed on another campus for the TTC job family review. Stout is responsible for reviewing three areas 1) Dining, Events, Hospitality Services and Sales 2) Health and Wellness 3) Advancement for the TTC Job Review. The Emergency Hire Task force is in the last stages of constructing a survey for all academic staff and their supervisors. They planned to distribute the surveys by 11/30. The class length change proposal was brought up but changes to the documents are expected soon. Faculty Senate will vote on the proposal on January 22.
- iii. Sustainable Steering Committee
  - o The first thing we discussed was the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory and the Commuter Survey Final Report which is a report that is generated by the applied research center at Stout. This report looks at how often students drive, how far, and what type of vehicle. We also gave updates on our sub-groups so that Sara Rykal and Zenon Smolarek could give Phil Lyons a 6 month update on how we're doing. We discussed RecycleMania so that everyone was

knowledgeable on it before it starts next semester. Finally, we brought up that Stout was named in the Princeton Review Green Colleges List which is a great achievement.

b. Standing Committee Reports

- i. Financial Affairs Committee
  - The Financial Affairs Committee finished up Contingency II hearings and completed deliberations on all budget requests.
- ii. Diversity and Inclusivity Council
  - We talked about diversity week planning and we did a brief open discussion on the diversity conference.
- iii. Organizational Affairs Committee
  - No meeting.
- iv. Sustainability Council
  - We are still waiting on a quote for the compost bins in Sports and Fitness. We are also still working on foldable bins for the Stadium. Innisfree McKinnon will find locations for the bins next semester with some students. We are also trying to get concessions to use more compostable items, such as the ones used in the MSC. This Friday is the Sustainability Roundtable, where Director Nadeau will hold a meeting with some sustainable organizations and discuss sustainability and any ideas they may have. We also discussed making posters for Earth Week and will focus on that more next semester.
- v. Visibility and Outreach
  - Discussed how to best promote SSA during Week One Orientation and a MasterChef inspired outreach event as well as reviewed the graphic design position job description.

c. College Reports

XIII. Announcements

XIV. Adjourn at 9:28 pm