

Figure 1: Stout Student Association Logo

# **Meeting Minutes**

7:00 PM Ballroom A, Memorial Student Center 50<sup>th</sup> Congress 7<sup>th</sup> Session October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019

- I. Call to Order at 7:02
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Acknowledgement of Country
- IV. Roll Call
  - a. Senator Reed Absent
  - b. Senator Schreir Absent
  - c. Senator Leonhard Excused
- V. Standing Committee Roll Call
  - a. Executive
    - i. Director Gentz Absent
  - b. Organizational
    - i. All present
  - c. Financial
    - i. All present
  - d. Sustainability
    - i. All present
  - e. Diversity and Inclusivity
    - i. Schreir Absent
  - f. Visibility and Outreach
    - i. No meeting
  - g. Information Technology

- h. No meeting
- VI. Words of Wisdom Senator Haas nominates Senator Larson for Words of Wisdom next week

## VII. Open Forum

- a. Interim Chancellor Patrick Gilford-Budget principals going over reduction starting Ad Hoc Committee for this. Looking for student reps and leaders to give feedback on the reductions. Budget forum for the reductions is coming up. Enrollment in the UW system and Stout is down. Looking for new plans to combat this. Governor Evers does not support change in chapter 17. Interviews for the new chancellor are starting soon the candidates being proposed will be announced at the end of this month. Budget cut decisions and reviews are still being made before the final decisions are made.
- b. Who's Who-Director McConville
  - i. Director McConville goes through who's who in administration like Glinda lee and Patrick Gilford.
- c. Diversity & Inclusivity Council-Director Beaulieu Director Beaulieu explains his role in the diversity council and what he does. They do a variety of things that help shape our campus into a safer and more progressive place they also host events with the gube.

# VIII. Approval of the Minutes

- a. No minutes postponed until next week
- IX. Unfinished Business
  - a. 50.04.04 Updating the Constitution
    - i. This motion is to update and edit the constitution of the Stout Student Association.

ii. Director McConville explains the new changes in the constitution. They have a new format that looks very nice and gender neutral language. They made lots of grammar changes and a few other things.

# iii. Motion Postponed 22 -0 - 0 (Yays-Nay-Abstentions)

- b. 50.05.03 Updating the Bylaws
  - This motion is to update and edit the bylaws of the Stout Student Association
  - ii. Motion Postponed 22 -0 0 (Yays-Nay-Abstentions)

#### X. New Business

- a. 50.07.01 Appointment of Senator of the College of Education, Hospitality, Health and Human Sciences
  - This motion is to appoint Tori Wiseman to the Senator of the College of Education, Hospitality, Health and Human Sciences
  - ii. Motion Passed 22 -0 0 (Yays-Nay-Abstentions)
- b. 50.07.02 Appointment of Senator of the College of Education, Hospitality, Health and Human Sciences
  - This motion is to appoint Jourdan Reindl as senator of the College of Education, Hospitality, Health and Human Sciences.
  - ii. Motion Passed 22 -0 0 (Yays-Nay-Abstentions)

# XI. Reports

- a. President Canon
  - i. Conducted a meeting with ETC to setup a microphone system in SSA at our meetings to test out different setups at our meeting. Met with Disability services for sign language interpreter to discuss how to best go about having Interpreters at

meetings. In that meeting we discussed a few different options; Having an Interpreter at all of our meetings (Sign Language Interpreter (4 all together, 2 Traditional Interpreters and Tactile), have it exclusively available upon request, or have them at our important meetings (Ex; Seg Fee Meeting). Mostly looking at how to make this initiative financial sustainable and exclusive. I Met with VC Lyons over a lunch meeting to discuss varying topics including his listening session deal with the previous Congress. Met with Bryan Barts, about the Career Conference and lack of major inclusivity, at the meeting I found out a lot more behind the scenes challenges that exist and going to work w/ Bryan to do various initiative. Send out an email to Renee Chandler, Director of Graduate and Stout Online, to connect with Senator Harri Bien-Aime about including our online students into SSA. Lastly, I attended the Legislative Affairs Special Committee to change the Bylaws and Constitution which is always a fun time.

### b. Vice President – Johnson

i. I attended EBC, continued working on the lawyer initiative, set up lunch with President Canon and Advisor Wittucki on Wednesdays at noon in the Fireside Cafe. I submitted the travel forms for Systems Reps (which might be canceled so I might have to undo that but we'll see) I attended the UW-System Sustainability Conference in Madison with Director Nadeau and Senator Penoske, a full report of this should be found in the additional reports section of the agenda.

#### c. Director of Communications – Roberts

i. This past week I emailed the senators about shared governance committees and that they should join. I also added some of the new senators to standing committees. VAO finally has enough people to start meeting, so I've been trying to find a time that'd be best to meet. I also have been emailing with the graphic designer to see if she would like to sit on VAO. I also started making the new name plates for the new senators.

### d. Director of Organizational Affairs - Serier

- i. I started to meet with my advisers for OAC and SOCOC. I got a application made for SOCOC and then I also got a time and materials ready for the first OAC meeting of the year and went to Strategic Planning group.
- e. Director of Financial Affairs Gentz
- f. Director of Legislative Affairs McConville
  - i. This last week I attended a meeting with Regent Plante about what we are looking for in a new Chancellor. I think the meeting was very productive, and Regent was very receptive. This will be continued in November; they both want continued student inputs. I emailed Doug Mell and sent up a meeting to work together on a legislative committee. Working on Bylaw and Constitution edits this last

week with the committee. Finally, I sent out invitations to Senator Schachtner and Representative Stafsholt to attend to one of our meetings. Senator replied and she will be coming October 22nd.

### g. Director of Diversity and Inclusivity – Beaulieu

i. This week I did several things I finished watching the documentary that I intend to show for diversity week. I now just need to come up with discussion questions for the documentary, which can wait. I went through my emails, set up to the printer, uploaded the minutes to connect, and did my usual meeting prep. I also reached out to dining regarding a change in MSC food (this was resolved, I was informed there was just a vendor mistake). I also went to the first LGBTQIA+ search committee meeting, sent out the application to people who said they were interested, and looked up information on a two spirit speaker my council wants to bring to campus.

# h. Director of Sustainability - Nadeau

i. This week I got the memo started for the water bottle filling station allocation. I also went to the meeting with Reagent Plante which had good recommendations for what we want to see in a new chancellor. I met with the transportation coordinator to discuss potential meeting topics for the meeting with DCT later this month. Finally, I went to the UW System Sustainability Conference which was a good time and I learned a lot about what how other

campuses are pushing sustainability.

### i. Director of Information Technology – Kangas

i. Last week was a rather productive week for myself. On Monday, I attended a meeting with Regent Plante and others from SSA to talk about what students would like to see in the next Chancellor. I also attended a meeting to discuss our concerns about Student Technology Fee. During that meeting, we were able to secure another \$7,000 for STF allocations, bringing the total to about \$30,000 in revenue per year. In all, we have about \$180,000 available, but the majority of that is rollover. Additionally, it was mentioned that STF should be safe from any budget cuts in the near future. Lastly, we talked about some concerns over a "Sunset Clause" and came to the agreement that the clause as it was proposed could not be done due to System policy. We agreed on a high-level compromise regarding a sunset clause which would include some changes to the process should we hit that \$5,000 threshold. Overall this consists of ITC not meeting as regularly and a "call out" for requests not occurring should the clause be in effect. This will be a conversation the Information Technology Committee will continue during our first meeting. During my office hours, I worked on making a draft for the STF request form in addition to thinking what a Sunset Clause could look like. Lastly, ITC can finally meet so I started looking for meeting times for the Committee

on Friday.

# XII. Additional Reports

- a. UW System Sustainability Conference
  - i. Vice President Johnson-This meeting was very interesting; it was mostly sustainability office folks and student org related to sustainability. We discussed a lot of stuff but the outline 3 sections

    Campus updates, 2 sessions of breakouts, and lastly a keynote speaker. The big thing to come out of this meeting was a drive to create a unified resolution for all 26 of the student governments to pass by the end of the school year. Eau Claire' office of sustainability will be spearheading this project. If you have any further questions or want to look at my notes in detail, please let me know.
- b. Shared Governance
- c. 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 8:43