AGENDA OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-RIVER FALLS
STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT SENATE
Tuesday, April 15th, 2008 in the Willow River Room of the University Center

I. CALL TO ORDER:
II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:
III. INTRODUCTIONS OF GUESTS:
IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
V. GUEST SPEAKER
VI. OPEN FORUM
VII. SHARED GOVERNANCE REPORTS:

A. STUDENT SENATE DIRECTOR REPORTS:
1. SHARED GOVERNANCE DIRECTOR – Tyler Halverson
2. STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ACADEMIC SERVICES- Jenifer Biss
3. LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS DIRECTOR –Craig Witte
4. FINANCE DIRECTOR- Jason Meier
5. DIVERSITY AND WOMEN'S INITIATIVES DIRECTOR – Nikki Shonoiki
DIVERSITY AND WOMEN'S INITIATIVES CO DIRECTOR- Laura Adrian
6. PARLIAMENTARIAN/ ETHICS CHAIR – Nathan McNaughton
7. VICE PRESIDENT- Sara Deick
8. PRESIDENT- Derek Brandt

B. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRAMMING BOARD CHAIR- Mike Defenbaugh
C. FACILITIES AND FEES BOARD CHAIR- Krista Hasselquist
D. STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT SENATE ADVISOR – Gregg Heinselman

VIII. OTHER COMMITTEES/ UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE REPORTS

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

X. NEW BUSINESS

SS0708079

Whereas, the current UW-River Falls Shared Governance term ends on April 29th of 2008;

Whereas, a Leadership Development and Programming Board budget has yet to be approved through the proper channels;

Whereas, it is in the best interest of the entire student body that the budgeting processes is completed by those who are most informed on the issues;

Whereas, the current Student Association Student Senate and Leadership Development and Programming Board are the most informed individuals on the current budget proposal;

Whereas, another impending issue is the resolution of the spring elections for the 2008-2009 Student Association Student Senate;

Whereas, the outgoing Student Senate Ethics Committee would be the most appropriate body to deal with a filed grievance regarding the election;

Whereas, an appeal may take longer than the April 29th deadline would allow;

Therefore, be it resolved that any matters pertaining to the 2008-2009 allocable budget process be handled by the 2007-2008 Student Association Student Senate and 2007-2008 Leadership Development and Programming Board members;

Be it further resolved that, officers and directors receive partial stipends in an amount determined by the 2007-2008 Student Senate Finance Committee for all time spent after April 29th, 2008;

Be it further resolved, any grievance filed regarding the spring elections for the 2008-2009 Student Association Student Senate shall be dealt with by the 2007-2008 Student Senate Ethics Committee regardless of the April 29th term expiration;

Be it further resolved, that if an ethics board verdict is appealed to the Student Association Student Senate, the outgoing 2007-2008 Student Senate would preside over any hearings that may occur;

Be it finally resolved that a copy of this motion be forwarded to all members of the 2007-2008 Leadership Development and Programming Board and the 2007-2008 Student Association Student Senate.

Moved By: Director Halverson
Seconded By: President Brandt
Approved By Finance Committee

SS0708080

Whereas, there is an opening on the Res Living committee;

Whereas, Josh Pritchett has expressed interest and seems qualified;

Therefore, be it resolved that Josh Pritchett be appointed to the Res Living Committee for the remainder of the 2007-2008 academic year.

Moved by: Director Halverson
Seconded by: Co-Director Adrian

SS0708081

Whereas, the Finance Committee has a number of openings available to students,

Whereas, Matthew McMillan has shown an interest in becoming a formal member of the committee,

Be it resolved, that Matthew McMillan becomes a member of the Student Senate Finance Committee for the remainder of the semester.

Motioned by: Director Meier
Seconded by: Senator Dale

Approved by the Finance Committee

SS0708082

Whereas, the Student Voice serves as a vital source of information about what is happening on our campus and in the community,

Whereas, advertising revenue has been less than anticipated and the Student Voice is quickly running out of funds as the end of the school year approaches,

Whereas, the Student Voice is requesting emergency funding to be able to publish the remaining issues of the semester, including the important and popular graduation issue;

Be it resolved, the Student Association Student Senate approve a transfer of $900 to the Student Voice from the Reserve Account,

Be it finally resolved, that a copy of this motion be sent to Chancellor Betz for his approval.

Motioned by: Director Meier
Seconded by: Senator Dale
Approved by the Finance Committee

SS070083 - Resolution Proposing a New Strategic Direction for Campus Computing

Whereas, UWRF is committed to creating a sustainable, reliable, technologically-current learning environment; and

Whereas, The campus has established a new Technology Council (IITC) to oversee all technology related issues on campus; and

Whereas, The Council has been charged to review and recommend strategic plans for campus computing facilities; and

Whereas, The use of computing resources has become an integral part of most academic disciplines; and

Whereas, Budgetary and spatial restrictions cannot accommodate continued increasing demand in number and/or size of permanent computer labs; and

Whereas, Permanent computer labs are no longer a sustainable technological or pedagogical model for computing; and

Whereas, Portable computing devices (e.g., laptops) are becoming increasingly affordable; and

Whereas, The use of portable computing devices allows for the formation of ad-hoc, efficient and flexible virtual labs anywhere on campus; and

Whereas, The ability to form virtual labs could free up valuable space for alternate uses; and

Whereas, The majority of UWRF students currently own portable computing devices;

Resolved That Student Senate, with an affirmation from the Information and Instructional Technology Council (IITC), agrees in principle, that UWRF become a Wireless-Portable-Computing campus.

Furthermore, Student Senate mandates the IITC to appoint a task force to develop an implementation strategy that addresses, among other things:

- minimum standards,
- a reasonable timeline for implementation,
- wireless access and bandwidth requirements that support the increased load,
- financial plan for establishing and supporting the program,
- security issues,
- flexible software licensing structures,
- availability of temporary computing resources in case of financial need, lost or broken systems,
- corporate pricing and maintenance agreements with major hardware vendors,
- faculty development to integrate technology within the pedagogy of the classroom
- a testing strategy to assure the smoothest possible transition.

The appointed task force will report its findings to the IITC for review and ultimately to Senate for final approval no later than Spring, 2009.

Motioned by: Director Biss

Seconded by: President Brandt

ADDITIONAL ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting for the semester of the Student Association Student Senate will be Tuesday, April 22nd, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Willow River Room of the University Center