MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-RIVER FALLS
STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT SENATE
of Tuesday, November 7, 2006
Regents Room of the Hagestad Student Center

I. CALL TO ORDER: The University of Wisconsin River-Falls Student Association Student Senate was called to order by President Eggers at 7:01pm in the Regents Room of Hagstead Student Center.

II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS: Joe Eggers, Bethany Barnett, Dan Scott, Adam Koski, Ashley Olson, Sarah Saal, Jenifer Biss, Maggie Huppert, Avery Newman, Ali Nsabimana, Jason Schultz, Nikki Shonoiki, Michelle Stiles, Jim Vierling, Natalie Hagberg.

III. INTRODUCTIONS OF GUESTS: Shalena Brandt (Student Voice), Jennie Oemig

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Passed

V. GUEST SPEAKER: None

VI. OPEN FORUM:

VII. SHARED GOVERNANCE REPORTS:

A. STUDENT SENATE DIRECTOR REPORTS:

1. SHARED GOVERNANCE DIRECTOR – Derek Brandt - excused

2. STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ACADEMIC SERVICES- Dan Scott

- SAAS is looking into discrepancies in advising, (why some advisors are better than others).
- SAAS acknowledges that FYE is doing great but would like to make sure that sophomores, juniors, and seniors are not forgotten
- SAAS is examining the issue of getting closed-captioning in all classrooms for the hearing impaired.
- Dan has a meeting with Wes Chapin on Wednesday involving professor evaluations.

3. LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS DIRECTOR – Mike Freedman - excused

- Mike has a meeting with Mayor Richards, if you have any concerns please let Mike know.
- Leg. Committee encourages all senators to vote.
- Leg. Committee is researching the Wisconsin Covenant and its effects on students.

4. FINANCE DIRECTOR- Adam Koski

- The Shared Governance account is at $32,700.
- Finance Committee put forth a motion regarding the name of the new Student Center.
- Adam is working on the logistics of the Women's Leadership Conference and establishing a motion regarding delegation to Senate sponsored conferences and events.
- Finance Committee will be meeting Fridays at 11:15.

5. DIVERSITY ISSUES DIRECTOR – Ashley Olson

- DIC did not meet this last week due to an emergency, but Ashley was able to disperse November Diversity event calendars.
- The committee has written their questions for the student survey.

6. WOMEN'S INITIATIVES DIRECTOR – Sarah Saal

- Women's Initiatives distributed table tents regarding breast cancer awareness and are now looking into issues to publicize/promote in November.
- The committee is preparing to turn their attentions to the campus safety walk.
- Committee has made posters advertising their committee.

7. PARLIAMENTARIAN/ ETHICS CHAIR – Jenifer Biss

- There is a motion on the table tonight so that members can be appointed to the Ethics Committee.

8. VICE PRESIDENT- Bethany Barnett

- Family Day was this past weekend. Thanks to all the Senators who volunteered. The number of people who attended the events is four times the amount that attended last year.
- Office hours are due this Friday by 4:00pm.
- ALL senators MUST attend their Faculty Senate committees. If senators/directors continue to miss meetings demerit points will be issued.
- Student Senate will not be meeting the week of Tahnksgiving.

9. PRESIDENT- Joe Eggers

- Joe met with Kitty Rhodes, President Reilly and the Chancellor regarding the Growth agenda.
- During Joe's meeting with the Chancellor they discussed where to place the falcon that was donated to the Chancellor at his inauguration.
- Joe will be meeting with Mary Halada, Charles Hurt and Kristin Hendrickson to discuss the budget.

B. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRAMMING BOARD CHAIR- Natalie Hagberg

- LDPB is looking into committee budgets and comparing them to past years to see if there may be a surplus in the budgets. If there is a surplus LDPB will be proactive and give to committees that might not have a surplus
- LDPB has distributed the annual budget information
- There will be informational meetings on Nov. 15th and 16th 4:15-5:15 in the Presidents Room.

C. FACILITIES AND FEES BOARD CHAIR- Jim Vierling

- Jim explained that the Falcon which we donated to Chancellor Betz will be displayed in the new Student Center along with the falcon display.

D. STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT SENATE ADVISOR – Gregg Heinselman

- Gregg thanked Senators for all their hard work regarding strategic planning.
- President Reilly reviewed all the tasks and goals set forth by the Faculty Senate committees.
- There was four times the attendance at Family Day than last year.
- Senate will have a tour of the University Center the Tuesday after Thanksgiving.

VIII. OTHER COMMITTEES/ UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Recruitment, Admission and Retention discussed the growth agenda.
- Instructional Improvement has officially set forth there initiatives. It will now be dividing three separate goals to determine a course of action for each initiative.
- General Education is looking into adding more multidisciplinary courses.
- Faculty Salary met and is working on determining a fair compensation for faculty that works J-term and summer.
- The Multicultural Faculty Senate Committee met and worked on goal 10. This committee also received books on retention of minority students and faculty.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

X. NEW BUSINESS:

SS0607014

Whereas, there are two vacant positions on the Ethics Committee,

Whereas, Jason Schultz and Natalie Hagberg have each been nominated and found to be viable candidates for the positions.

Be it resolved that the Student Senate appoint Jason Schultz and Natalie Hagberg as representatives on the Ethics Committee.

Moved by Chair Biss

Seconded by President Eggers

Approved by the Ethics Chair

MOTION PASSED

SS0607015

Whereas, A student painted a mural of Dr. Peterson,

Whereas, It is currently being displayed in the Wyman Education Building,

Whereas, It needs a permanent location to be displayed on campus,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that Student Association Student Senate recommend the mural be placed permanently along the west hallway in the Wyman Education Building.

Moved by: Chair Hagberg
Seconded by: Director Olson
Approved by: Student Affairs and Academic Services Committee

MOTION PASSED

SS0607016

Whereas the new building was built for $34 million with $32.9 million coming from student segregated university fees, and

Whereas the building is going to serve the functions of the Hagestad Student Center and Rodli Commons, therefore

Be it resolved, the Student Senate supports naming the new building a Student Union and not a University Center.

Moved by: Director Koski
Seconded by: Senator Meier
Approved by Finance Committee and SAAS Committee

Chair Vierling moved to table SS0607016 until next weeks meeting so more research can be conducted.
Seconded by Senator Newman.

Hand vote 14-0-1
MOTION PASSED
SS0607016 has been tabled.

XI. **ADDITIONAL ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**:

- If you are not on a Faculty Senate Committee you MUST contact Derek by Thursday, November 9th.
- Fast Horse will be on campus on Friday at 8pm in North Hall.
- Ellis will be performing here on campus Friday at 10pm in Brandy's.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The University of Wisconsin-River Falls Student Association Student Senate was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.
Moved by: Chair Vierling
Seconded by: Director Olson

The next meeting for the semester of the Student Association Student Senate will be
Tuesday, November 14, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the Regents Room of the Hagestad Student Center