MINUTES Student Senate Executive Committee	September 17, 2009 5:00 PM Apple River Room University Center

Meeting was called to order at **5:02 pm**. President Brock called a 10 minute recess.

Meeting reconvened at **5:12 pm**, roll was taken:

Attendance: President Brock, Chair Halverson, Chair Van Putten, Director Nelson, Director Godes, Director Okan, Director Hopkins, and Advisor Paul Shepherd were present. Vice President Scott was excused absent and Interim AFAB Chair Rose was absent without excuse.

Old Business: There was no old business to discuss

Director Reports:

Student Affairs and Academic Services Committee – Director Kayla Godes

The first SAAS meeting was held. A Senate event is being planned, to take place in the Falcon's Nest on October 22nd. The committee is tabling in the University Center from 10am to 2pm on October 12th and 21st.

Ethics Committee – Chair Katy Van Putten

Ethics is expecting a complaint soon. The committee will meet if or when the complaint is filed.

Allocable Fee Appropriation Board – Interim Chair Katie Rose (absent)

Resumes for permanent AFAB chair are due Tuesday September 22nd by 5:00 pm to President Brock.

Shared Governance Committee – Director Patrick Okan

Shared Governance was scheduled to meet at noon on Thursday, other committee member arrived half hour late so the meeting was canceled. Will be meeting next week after Tuesday to review AFAB candidates. Expecting Faculty Senate appointments to be passed through Shared Governance at the next meeting.

Legislative Affairs Committee – Director Alex Nelson

Legislative Affairs has no members, so it hasn't met yet. Former senators Jordan Harshman and Spencer Gansluckner may be interested in joining Legislative Affairs as student members.

Diversity Initiatives Committee – Director Brent Hopkins

The first meeting time is being organized, likely sometime in the next week.

Women and Gender Initiatives Committee – Vacant

No Report

Facilities and Fees Board – Chair Tyler Halverson

F&F related bylaw revisions are on the agenda. Residence Life restructuring caused some concern of Residence Life / Residence Hall Association leaving Facilities and Fees Board, the issue has mostly been resolved.

Vice President Report – Vice President Dan Scott (absent)

Office hours are due Friday September 18th.

President Report – President Josh Brock

Volunteers are needed to staff Homecoming events. Homecoming is next weekend.

New Business:

Election Rules Revisions – SS-09-10-004

Executive Committee reviewed proposed revisions to the Student Senate Elections Rules. Amended sections of the Elections Rules are shown below (with amendments).

ARTICLE 4: Elections—Time-line, Primary, General, Special, Ballot, Election Day, Fall Semester Elections, and Removal from the Ballot

Section H. Removal From the Ballot

1. Voluntary Removal
   c. It is the responsibility of the Elections Committee Chair to alert the appropriate administrators of the election that a ~~member~~ *candidate*[1] has dropped out. Such notice should be given no later than 48 hours (not including weekends or holidays) before the opening of the polls for the Student Senate Elections.
2. Involuntary Removal
   b. In order for a candidate to be removed from the ballot without their consent, an official grievance regarding the candidate must be filed at least ~~7~~ *3* [2] full days ~~(including weekends or holidays)~~[2] *(excluding weekends or holidays)*[2a] before the opening of the Election polls.

   d. If a candidate is discovered to be ineligible after the ~~7~~ *3* [3] day minimum time for filing a motion for removal, an official grievance must be filed within 48 hours of the posting of the election results. Any such grievance will be handled according to Article 5 of this document.

Amendments:

1. Chair Halverson moved to replace 'member' with 'candidate.' Director Okan seconded. PASSED

2. Chair Halverson moved to replace '7' with '3' in subsections b and d. Director Okan requested a 2 minute recess to review the section.

   Meeting reconvened, Chair Halverson moved to replace '7' with '3' and to strike the parenthetical in subsection b, and to strike subsection d entirely. Director Okan seconded. After debate, Director Nelson moved to divide the amendments of subsections b and d, seconded by Director Godes. PASSED, AMENDMENT DIVIDED.

   2a. Director Okan moved to amend the amendment, to add the parenthetical (excluding weekends or holidays) in subsection b. Chair Van Putten seconded. Amendment to the Amendment PASSED.

   2b. After debate, motion to strike subsection d went to vote. After voice vote, Director Okan called for division of the assembly. Vote by hand - 2 yes 4 no, amendment FAILED.
3. Director Hopkins moved to amend subsection d, to replace '7' with '3' since previous amendment to strike subsection d failed. Seconded by Chair Van Putten. PASSED

After amendments, there was no further debate. Motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Bylaw Revisions – SS-09-10-# # #

Revisions were proposed to eliminate the East and West Area Representatives on Student Senate, and to create a single Residence Hall Association Representative on Student Senate. There were no amendments to the proposed bylaw revisions in the Executive Committee. Motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Additional Items and Announcements: Advisor Paul Shepherd discussed the UW System-mandated changes to the Non Allocable Fee budgeting timeline, moving the date for budgeting up to November. UWRF was cited as a "best process" campus for student representation and involvement in regards to the Non Allocable budgeting process.

Director Nelson moved to adjourn, seconded by Director Godes. Motion PASSED, meeting adjourned at **5:42 pm**.

The next Student Senate Executive Board meeting will be held on Thursday, September 24th at 5pm in the Apple River Room (room 333) of the University Center.