

# Wartburg College Student Senate

January 26th, 2017  
11:30 am  
WBC 214 Buckmaster



1. Roll Call/Attendance  
Joke: What happens to a frog's car when it breaks down?  
It gets toad away.
2. Devotion: Vice President Creed  
*Meet & Mingle*  
Devotion for next week: Senator Pfab & Senator Brannaman
3. Approval of Last Weeks Minutes: 1/19/17  
**Vice President Creed:** This will be moved to a vote.  
**Minutes stand approved**
4. New Business
  - a. Resolution #20- KVMO Hall Chair Placement, President Vogel  
**Vice President Creed:** Motion to suspend the rules.  
**Second:** Senator Brown  
*The rules are suspended*  
**President Vogel:** This is to fill the vacancy of Senator Gheysens.  
**Senator Cannon:** I am 3<sup>rd</sup> year Political Science major with a minor in Leadership.  
**Vice President Creed:** We will move this to a vote.  
Abstained *Senator Cannon*  
**Resolution #20 passes**
  - b. Resolution #21- SRC Chair Placement, President Vogel  
**Senator Brannaman:** 1<sup>st</sup> year Public Relations major with minors in Leadership and Business.  
**Vice President Creed:** This will be moved to a vote.  
Abstained: Senator Brannaman  
**Resolution #21 passes**
  - c. Resolution #22- Elections Committee Placements, VP Creed  
**President Vogel:** There are 4 people needed to sit on this committee. Parliamentarian Zmudka, Senator Myers, Senator Singleton, and Senator Delibas have been chosen.  
**President Vogel:** Motion to amend the spelling of Senator Myers' name to the correct spelling *Myers*.

**Opposed:** President Vogel, Senator Delibas

**Abstained:** Parliamentarian Zmudka, Senator Myers, Senator Singleton, and Senator Delibas.

**Resolution #22 passes.**

**Treasurer Jobs-Ryan:** Motion to reinstate the Rules.

**Second:** Senator Hurd

*The Rules are reinstated*

5. Old Business

a. Resolution #17- Supplemental Request, National Science Teachers Association

**Treasurer Jobs-Ryan:** Motion to consider

**Second:** Senator Hurd

**Treasurer Jobs-Ryan:** NSTA's resolution was tabled for one week but they did not show up once again. We thought to bring up this issue of their attendance to decide for this Sunday. How should the attendance issue be dealt with?

**Senator Buckles:** Are you saying that we should consider this request like normal?

**Treasurer Jobs-Ryan:** We will still meet and vote on it but would like to see if Senate has any thoughts if they should be penalized or treated per usual.

**Vice President Creed:** The problem is that BRC is meeting because they say they will show up.

**Senator Thompson:** Is there anything in the bylaws or Budget Review Manual? Are they serious about the money if they don't show up?

**Treasurer Jobs-Ryan:** There is nothing about deductions or any protocols in the manual. We did speak with them about this request in October but we cannot make a recommendation without meeting with them again.

**Senator Singleton:** The problem here is internal miscommunication.

**Treasurer Jobs-Ryan:** This was tabled after first absence. BRC met because they said they were coming, but BRC would not have met otherwise.

**Senator Jacobs:** Because it hasn't been dealt with before, I think treat it as any other organization for the monetary value of it. But then we can take this into account during the vote.

**Senator Keller:** If money is the issue, we should revise the BRC manual to create new precedence for future.

**Academic Ombudsperson Pollack:** I don't like the idea of this being tabled over and over. 3<sup>rd</sup> strike should be to void it, then they can reapply. They should take this seriously. I recommend to table with condition.

**Treasurer Jobs-Ryan:** Is there any procedure for this kind of tabling?

**President Vogel:** Completely up to the Treasurer. Senate can respond to it as a reasonable motion if you amend it to 0.

**Parliamentarian Zmudka:** We should vote on the condition of waiting if they don't show up the next meeting.

**Academic Ombudsperson Pollack:** Motion to table that that if *if the representatives for this request are absent at their third meeting with BRC, their resolution be amended to 0.*

**Second:** President Vogel

Opposed: Senator Gray

**Resolution #17 is tabled per condition**

- b. Resolution #18- New Organization Request, Comic Book Club, Administrative Ombudsperson Laudner

**Administrative Ombudsperson Laudner:** Motion to consider

**Second:** Senator Jacobs

**Eric Revis:** I am one of the legends of comic book club, which is what we call our exec members. This resolution is to formalize an informal set of procedures already in place. The current heads of this organization are graduating and handing off for future years. We had to formalize this to make some changes as we are starting an international aspect. Our artwork is visible in the library. Students must use the checkout process. We hope to get a budget in order to get high profile art back. Our organization is great for opening conversation

**Administrative Ombudsperson Laudner:** SRC thought it was great and creative organization and constitution. We have nothing else like it on campus now. SRC recommends this constitution be approved and recognized.

**President Vogel:** Eric, what is your favorite super hero?

**Revis:** I don't know, but since I'm a sass-hole I would have to say Deadpool.

**Senator Jacobs:** Can we see this constitution if it is so creative?

**Administrative Ombudsperson Laudner:** Yes, I can send that out later.

**Vice President Creed:** This will be moved to a vote

**Resolution #18 passes**

- c. Resolution #19- Resolution #19- Honor Council Revision, Academic Ombudsperson Pollack

**Academic Ombudsperson Pollack:** Motion to consider

**Second:** Singleton

**Vice President Creed:** If there are no questions this will be moved to a vote.

Abstained: Senator Hernandez, President Vogel

**Resolution #19 passes**

6. Student Issues

**Senator Singleton:** Myself and Todd Greer are working on gender inclusive housing. It is in the preliminary stages; we are working to get test rooms. We have a policy written up.

**Senator Greer:** We are proposing this for knights, the townhouse will be neutral but rooms gender specific. This set up would be completely optional.

**Senator Jacobs:** Knight only?

**Senator Singleton:** Yes, just Knights village for now.

**Senator Greer:** Would have to go to cabinet for that?

**Dean Kittle:** They have done a great job on being focused on a specific area with a solid proposal. This would come from a recommendation from me to the cabinet then they would have the final decision.

**Senator Singleton:** We have the petition if you would like to sign it.

**Administrative Ombudsperson Laudner:** Do you have a minimum number of signatures?

**Senator Singleton:** We don't have a minimum but we already have well over 130.

**Academic Ombudsperson Pollack:** What would the enforcement procedure be to see that boundaries are not crossed? Random room checks?

**Senator Greer:** That is a harder issue to pin down. Now, as an RA, it is difficult to enforce rules on currently gender specific floors. Not that it's okay but it's a hard thing to control. It

will be a rule that a student is not allowed to room with a significant other. If that information is discovered to be true, they will be kicked out.

**Senator Sides:** This would be implemented next year?

**Senator Greer:** Yes, as quickly as possible.

7. Dr. Kittle/Dr. Nolan Reports

Focus on the Future Presentation going on now. Next week, hope to use his notes and give that presentation to Senate. Let me know if you have any areas of interest.

**Administrative Ombudsperson Laudner:** What does he cover?

**Dean Kittle:** The budget improvement process has put us in a good position to focus on future improvements. We have ended the Transforming Tomorrow campaign well and are coming to the close of some of our three-year agreements. We are looking to add faculty members for investment. We have done these budget cuts so that we may make investments. They are all necessary things, there will be no bombshells like a new major we have not discussed. It is more to make sure people understand what is going on now and the timeline for the future.

**Senator Jacobs:** Will the financial say of the college and debt payoff be discussed?

**Dean Kittle:** Yes, along with balancing the budget and the campaign. It's difficult to understand the relationship between the budget improvement process and balancing investments.

8. President's Report..... Tyler Vogel  
I need board of regents reports by the 29<sup>th</sup>. Knight Vision task force will meet today at 3. Cabinet met this week, email Senate page with all concerns or ideas that people would like to learn about.
8. Treasurer's Report..... Seth Jobes-Ryan  
We are starting the allocation process. The formal process will begin in March. Are there any additional questions from last week?
10. Recorder's Report..... Ashlee Henderson  
There is a possibility that we can ask the Leadership Education and Service Committee about extending the deadline for the Student Senate Leadership Scholarship. They meet on Friday so I will be in contact with them then.
11. Academic Ombudsperson's Report..... Benjamin Pollack  
Public Health major is passed and starting next year. The Jones in the Religion Department are leaving Wartburg. Are looking to hire other religion professors. The Chem 117 program is still in the works. Dr. The link to the faculty and staff awards will be sent out again in emails this week. Please encourage your friends to nominate someone. We need someone to sit in Education Policy Committee Mondays 3:35-4:45. Come talk to me about my position. Sitting in on EPC would be a great way to feel it out. On this day in history, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 1905 the largest diamond was found in Africa at 1306 karats.
12. Administrative Ombudsperson's Report..... Emily Laudner

With the video games ordeal from last year, Eric left. The video game counsels will be moved to Clinton. We are waiting on security devices. The newspapers are being recirculated back in Clinton. Questions about my position ask me.

**Senator Gray:** Protection of the video counsels?

**Administrative Ombudsperson Laudner:** The counsels will be there but have security devices. Games and attachments will be in the RA offices.

**Senator Myers:** How big is the game library?

**Administrative Ombudsperson Laudner:** Unknown

**Senator Gray:** Who is liable if the consul is broken? Everyone in Clinton?

**Administrative Ombudsperson Laudner:** I can ask about it.

**Dean Kittle:** Like last time, that is a last resort is to charge all students.

**Academic Ombudsperson Pollack:** any discussion on going anywhere other than Clinton?

**Administrative Ombudsperson Laudner:** Clinton already has best set up.

**Senator Voigt:** Could set it up in the complex.

**Senator Delibas:** I agree the Complex cannot compare to Clinton but it would be great to give the Complex some nice things.

**Administrative Ombudsperson Laudner:** I can consider that for HIPS.

**Treasurer Jobes-Ryan:** The TV in the Complex is broken.

**Senator Greer:** It makes sense to keep it all in Clinton because we have the designated area for it.

13. Executive Assistant for Diversity's Report.....Naomi Alene  
Peace dialogue went well. We want to continue that but want other student organizations to put participate and to have Senate sponsor it. Diversity coalition is a group with reps from BSU global connections, ASA I-club, and more for support. Let me know any of any ideas for progressive diversity ideas.
  
14. Vice-President's Report.....Hannah Creed  
All positions must come to the mandatory meeting next Thursday at 4pm. Meeting at 7pm. Going over rules and everything. Semi-formal is for the tentative date of February 10<sup>th</sup>, mandatory for senators, decades theme. The debate for elections February 13<sup>th</sup>, required for senators. No dress code if not running.  
**Senator Zheng:** Vagina monologues are the 10<sup>th</sup> also.  
**Vice President Creed:** Little to no overlap, we encourage people to come afterwards. We need a new social chair, take nominations: Hurd, Primous, Geisemann, Sides, Straw poll one vote: **Senator Primous**
  
15. Committee Reports  
**Senator Brannaman:** SRC decided to cancel winter festival, elections, move to spring festival.
  
16. Liaison Reports  
**Senator Zheng:** ASA is decorating for Chinese New Year tomorrow!  
**Senator Coon:** drag show march 18. If you would like to participate, reach out to me.

**Senator Delibas:** Culture week is March 18-25; we are trying to be better every year. The Culture show is on the 24<sup>th</sup> so not to clash with dance marathon. We want to include any club that wants to participate. Short sketches like last year were good. They can be song, joke, poetry, etc. We want it to be fun. It is about everyone participating, auditions are around Feb. 12. Can come to the auditions with tentative plans, no solid act.

17. Open Senate/Reminders

**Parliamentarian Zmudka:** FTK week for Dance Marathon which is basically a week to celebrate all that is Dance Marathon. If registered or not, there is an all dancer meeting tonight at 7pm Buckmaster. If curious, I encourage you to come. Register for my team Buzz Lightyear! There will be a fundraiser tomorrow night at Joes with a live band. There's a \$5 cover for everyone no matter age. I encourage everyone to come out.

**Senator Jacobs:** Wartburg Democrats are starting a letter writing campaign to Sandy Salmon, against defunding planned parenthood.

**Senator Sides:** For those that are running for elected positions, Cedar Valley Today would live to interview candidates.

**Senator Singleton:** If you missed the sign ups and would like to do a radio show, talk to me!

**PR Director Pfab:** Let me know if you still don't have Meet your Senator or bulletin board.

**EAD Alene:** The Alumni Office, networking on your feet castle room Feb 2. Dress is business casual. Email Alumni Office or Stephanie Dunbar.

**President Vogel:** I am compiling an email to President Colson about innovative competition on campus. Share with me any ideas.

18. Adjournment

**Vice President Creed:** Motion to adjourn

**Second:** Senator Gray

12:39pm