

Wartburg College Student Senate

October 20th, 2016
11:30 am
WBC 214 Buckmaster



1. Roll Call/Attendance

What was your favorite part of Outfly and/or what do you plan to dress up as for Halloween?

Q: How do you mend a broken Jack-o-Lantern?

A: With a pumpkin patch.

2. Guest Speaker: N/A

3. Devotion: Senator Singleton

Pep talk from kid president – “Kid President’s Pep Talk for the World”

Devotion for the week of November 3rd: Colin Jacobs

4. Approval of Last Weeks Minutes: 10/13

Last week’s minutes stand approved

5. New Business

a. N/A

6. Old Business

a. Resolution #4- Delegate Initiative, President Vogel

We will vote on this to add it to the bylaws.

The Senate Delegate Initiative shall be outlined as follows:

The President shall preside over organizing and selecting willing administrators, faculty, and/or staff who will meet one-on-one with individual Senators.

Senators will be responsible for scheduling meetings with the partnered Wartburg employees. The meeting time and duration is up to the discretion of the employee and Senator. The meeting is designed to promote cross-departmental discussion where new programs and projects at Wartburg can be explained while the Senator shares Senate and other student extracurricular activities and goals. The insights and information gained in the one-on-ones will be shared during an agreed upon General Senate or Committee meeting time allotment.

Vice President Creed: We will move this on to a vote.

Abstained: President Vogel

Resolution #4 Passes

b. Resolution #5- Supplemental Request, Robby Newell, WCCB

Treasurer Jobes-Ryan: Motion to consider

Second: Senator Singleton

Alex Astiazaran: The WCCB is requesting money to help pay for the Annual WCCB Halloween Party. This is also a "team-building"/bonding experience for the students of the two groups (Symphonic Band/Wind Ensemble), not just a "party". We believed that since one tenth of the student body will be there, it was a very beneficial cause to the school.

Treasurer Jobes-Ryan: BRC met and according to the BRC manual all the line items do fall under the manual. It been amended to \$32.50.

Senator Milius: Is this an annual event that could have been put into allocations?

Astiazaran: Yes

Treasurer Jobes-Ryan: The wind ensemble has not asked for this funding before but will now look to for funding come the end of winter semester.

Vice President Creed: We will move this on to a vote.

Resolution #5 passes

c. Resolution #6- Supplemental Request, Tayler Gottschalk, NSTA

Treasurer Jobes-Ryan: Motion to consider

Second: Senator Jacobs

Treasurer Jobes-Ryan: We asked this form to be resubmitted include line items for students.

President Vogel: Motion to table

Second: Senator Isvik

Resolution #6 is tabled for one week

d. Resolution #7- Supplemental Request, Colin Jacobs, Wartburg College Democrats

Treasurer Jobes-Ryan: Wartburg Democrats were not able to attend the meeting and this resolution will be tabled for one week. Motion to table

Second: Senator Singleton

Vice President Creed: We will move this to a vote

Abstained: Senator Jacobs and Senator Keller

Resolution #7 is tabled for one week

7. Dr. Kittle/Dr. Nolan Reports

8. President's Report.....Tyler Vogel

Dr. Kittle's mother is having a major heart surgery so please keep him in your prayers. The Senate float got 3rd in Homecoming parade. I hope this has been a good break for everybody. Thank you to Outfly Committee! Thank you to Hannah especially! Delegate initiative will start up in November, please express to me your

interests. First year senators will start next semester. Board of Regents have started thinking about an institutional presence in Naples, Florida. There is a large ELCA presence down there without an affiliated school and identified Wartburg as a likely partner. Could just be a May term trip. Water bottle program does not have a resolution drafted, because we are waiting for Dean Kittle. Things I have heard about the issue was that “Dining dropped the slack”. This is not the case. Anne Duncan came to me looking for assistance. It was a great way to get Wartburg Senate’s name out there. There are issues with it. It was really great to spread the sustainable environment.

PR Director Dolphin: What happens if we vote not to fund it?

President Vogel: That could push down sustainability’s future funding. It would cost us \$486 total in a three way split.

Senator Matthew: It will hurt Senate’s reputation with saying no to an opportunity like this and future organizations will begin looking elsewhere for help.

President Vogel: I understand that this is difficult because it was already funded. I don’t want anyone to feel that we are obligate because our names are already on the water bottles. We will draft it with Dean Kittle as soon as he gets back.

Senator Singleton: We would only be paying one third?

President Vogel: There are more details but yes.

Senator Matthew: At worst we would pay half. We never planned on paying half.

President Vogel: Thank you for a great start in the first 7 weeks. I am very proud of this group already.

8. Treasurer’s Report.....Seth Jobes-Ryan

Thank you to all senators that helped with outfly. I would like to open things up for discussion for lapel pins and shirts.

President Vogel: Could you talk about options and their budgetary stance?

Treasurer Jobes-Ryan: This year we are looking at making cuts due to extra spending in previous years in order to get back to even. Looking at the fact that we purchased nicer polos last year so that those could be a one time purchase of \$1,500 and not every year. We are looking at getting those same polos for the first year students so not to be constantly buying new polos. Options: polos and not label pins, or both. Polo cost \$800; Pins cost \$270. We would buy pins in bulk of 100.

Senator Myers: Can you go over the benefit of the lapel pins.

Treasurer Jobes-Ryan: They would provide extra recognition and identification as a senator. They would be great for professional settings in the future.

Senator Jacobs: Lapel pins are more versatile in future settings. People can wear them with multiple things and are a conversation starter. They can also help with our goals as senators to foster a relationship with constituents.

Senator Myers: Would the funds come from the same place as water bottle fund?

Treasurer Jobes-Ryan: We have a readership and a general account. There is no reasoning for this separation except for organization. The Readership account is for bigger things. So essentially yes, it would come from the same account as

water bottles but view it as one account.

Vice President Creed: Was the cost \$800 for nice polos for the freshmen?

Treasurer Jobes-Ryan: I did not look into different t-shirt prices just for uniformity. We can consider this.

Parliamentarian Zmudka: Do we have any polos left from last year?

Vice President Creed: We have a few but not many sizes.

President Vogel: We are a student organization so we do want to give back to our representatives. We are open to other ideas. We want something that helps identify you and makes you proud of being a senator. We went forward with idea because that is what was presented.

Senator Jacobs: The Lapel pins may sound expensive but they are actually relatively cheap since we are getting 100.

Treasurer Jobes-Ryan: 40 of those pins carry over to next year. We could look into other options.

Senator Singleton: I think there is something special about new polos after 4 years.

Senator Jaeschke: What happened in years before?

Treasurer Jobes-Ryan: There was a low claim rate in previous years and this set aside a large amount of money. This was making it so that the students who were contributing their fees were not experiencing the benefits of their fees. To combat that we starting spending a lot of money. With this build up we ran a deficit to get the account balance to zero to be fair to students. We need to start cutting back from that high spending standard.

Senator Jacobs: Can we do optional polos?

PR Director Dolphin: Show them the designs?

Senator Gheysens: Since there are often times where people are only in Senate for one year and people just walk away after the year with nice polos, I think it would be a good idea to do the lower quality of polos every year.

Parliamentarian Zmudka: What is the price difference between cheap and nice polos?

Treasurer Jobes-Ryan: We can look into that. Last year it was \$1500 for 60.

Senator Trabue: Can you send out a poll/order form for polos, cheap polos, lapel pins, or none?

Treasurer Jobes-Ryan: We can look into that and sending out order forms. We may be sacrificing discount pricing.

Senator Myers: What is the bulk price difference?

Treasurer Jobes-Ryan: We will have to look into that.

President Vogel: Over fall break we will look into concrete options

PR Director Dolphin: I will get shirt prices from my aunt.

Senator Conteh: Why don't we use the Senate crest on the lapel pins?

Treasurer Jobes-Ryan: This is the Lutheran Rose and not used much. This represented Senate with Wartburg more.

Vice President Creed: The circle design was more appealing and cost effective with the design of the pin.

Senator Jacobs: The price difference may actually be enough to pay for lapel pins.

President Vogel: If you have any thoughts please email the Senate account.

Vice President Creed: This would be good to be brought up in committees.

9. Recorder's Report.....Ashlee Henderson
34 Senators were sent out their emails this week. PAC will be tabling tonight at dinner to help people register to vote. There will be a satellite polling station on October 25th for all registered Bremer County voters from 10-4 outside the Lyceum. You can vote at any time at the Waverly courthouse if you are registered here. Remember the Greenwood dinner at President Colson's house will be on November 1st from 7:30-9:30. I will create a google doc for senators to sign up for shifts.

10. Academic Ombudsperson's Report.....Benjamin Pollack

11. Administrative Ombudsperson's Report.....Emily Laudner

12. Executive Assistant for Diversity's Report.....Naomi Alene
Global connections just became an organization. Crystal Madlock needs more people for MLK Day committee. The committee meets from November to the week in January. Email me or Crystal if interested.

13. Vice-President's Report.....Hannah Creed
On Outfly we had a lot of stuff left over so come to the Senate office for lost and found. Institutional need is currently being assessed, similar to last year. Nobody has been let go yet. Those who have not been tenured will be under review, so be extra nice to your professors. If you have questions or concerns about this, contact me, President Vogel, or Dean Ernsting. We will be doing Senator of the month nominations. Greenwood: November 1st 7:30-9:30. Ashlee will send out a google doc time sign up.

President Vogel: Wear business casual.

Vice President Creed: I suggest not wearing heels because it is a longer walk.

14. Committee Reports

15. Liaison Reports

16. Student Issues

PR Director Dolphin: Speaking for sick roommate Senator McMichael: people are still unhappy with GET food program.

President Vogel: What are the specific issues?

PR Director Dolphin: It takes a lot of additional time to place an order when the full slots are still displayed.

Vice President Creed: Margret Empe's office is behind the Info Desk, you can always go to her office to talk to her.

Senator Jaeschke: When she came last year, she said there is not way they can do that.

Senator Isvik: There were also a lot of concern about meal transfer sides and

locations.

Senator French: People have mistakenly ordered a greater quantity than what they wanted.

Senator Jacobs: This happens more through the app and not as much through the website.

Vice President Creed: At our next meeting we will have President Colson as guest speaker. Will start looking to get a dining services guest speaker soon also.

Senator Voigt: There are also no vegetarian options.

Senator Jaeschke: In many cases, the Mensa can make your meals individually if you have dietary restriction.

17. Open Senate/Reminders

Senator Jaeschke: President Vogel, for the delegate initiative, how and when should be the time for senators to bring up what they have learned and talked about?

President Vogel: That piece was purposely ambiguous. Those things can be brought up throughout the meetings, likely during open Senate reminder or committee reports.

Vice President Creed: Let us know if you have any suggestions about this.

Senator Jacobs: You have 8 days left to register to vote before the deadline is up.

Senator Keller: There will be satellite voting station October 25th from 10-4 outside of the Lyceum for all people registered in Bremer county.

Senator French: Volleyball has home games Friday at 7:30pm and Saturday at 3pm.

Senator Gheysens: Monday ETK is having a fall festival from 5:30-8 in the ballrooms.

President Vogel: Congratulations to Senator Gheysens for being crowned homecoming king. President Colson's visit to Senate's next meeting would be a great thing to highlight in your emails.

Vice President Creed: This would be a great thing to tell your friends about and encourage them to come!

18. Adjournment

Vice President Creed: Motion to adjourn

Second: Senator French

Adjourned 12:25pm