SENATE MEETING  
September 9th, 2018, CTO 5:03 pm  
Room: UWM Union Fireside Lounge, 2200 E Kenwood Blvd.  
Milwaukee, WI 53211

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<th>1) Alyssa Molinksi - Present</th>
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<td>2) Zen Johnston - Present</td>
<td>17) Katie Malek - Present</td>
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<td>3) John McCune - Present</td>
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<td>4) Emma Horjus - Present</td>
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<td>5) Alexis McAdams - Present</td>
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<td>6) Mary Greuel - Present</td>
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<td>8) Luis Filho - Present</td>
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<td>29) Briceida Perez - Present</td>
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I. Call to Order

Senate Meeting called to order by President Molinski at 5:03pm

II. Reports

Vice-President McCune: Ban the bags policy is moving forward. Planning Farmer’s Market for Sept. 19th from 10-3. Also planning Senator Speed-Dating, as an opportunity for senate to meet student body. Having Mock Senate Debate; planning ongoing.

Director Rivers: Worked on tabling efforts at NSO/TASO. Updating tabling so that senators are more involved in tabling efforts. Publicizing shared governance and how people can be more involved. Looking to bolster resource centers and the work they do.

Director Filho: Working on campaigns for Student Association for Involvement Fair, Program Reps, Farmer’s Market.

OAC: No reports.

Senator McNamara: No report.

Senator Leon: No report.

Senator Perez: No report.

Senator Malek: Active Shooter preparedness group, and met new College of Health Senators Dean, and met with an associate dean to work on fixing class. College of Health Sciences is 1.3 Million in Debt

Senator Wisneski: No report.

Senator Moreno-Isla: No report.

Senator Raatz: No report.

Senator Leonard: Joined Chancellor’s Committee on mental health.

Senator Graybow: Student Leaders Committee met over summer to restructure the committee. Also planning on arranging meeting between various departments involved in planning events to create resources for students.

Senator Varela: On SLC, no other reports.

Senator Paltz: No reports.

Senator Brook: No reports.

Senator Shortreed: Researching issues to work on including Norris Health Center, Waste Reports.

Director Greuel: Working on updating Student Appropriations Committee bylaws and planning SAC timeline. Also working on transition from Panthersync to Engage. Setting up for Student Org night on September 19th.

Treasurer Horjus: Working on application forms for Senate Finance Committee and a timeline for SFC. In addition, there is a waiver in the works for Norris Health Center to update a building.

Vice-President Johnston: Working on program reps initiative and needs all senators to encourage students to apply to be a program representative.
President Molinski: Recently met with chancellor and Kelly Haag. Got an update on smoke-free campus policy. Giving up student seat for smoke-free task force. Working on voting accessibility for UWM to be an early-voting location.

Senator Sewell: No report.

Senator Palau-Tejeda: No report.

**SAPS Report** – Sarah introduces herself as new Director, Quincy is the new Asst Director, Laya Liebeseller is continuing as the Records Manager. Sarah notes that Freshman senator elections are coming up, nominations are open until the 17th.

### III. Open Forum

None

### IV. Approval of Agenda

a. Motion by Sam to add “Approval of previous meetings minutes” to today’s agenda as item VI, seconded by Josh. Motion passes. Motion by William to approve the agenda as amended. Secondary motion by Josh. Motion passes unanimously.

### V. Approval of Previous Agenda’s Minutes

Alyssa remarks that previous agenda minutes are not able to be approved by the Senate as the document was distributed with less than 24 hours notice. Josh motions to table approval of previous meeting minutes, seconded by Conal. Motion passes unanimously.

### VI. Special Orders

Senate Appointments

a. Mohammad Mohiminul Islam
   i. Graduate School Senator
   Mohammad introduces himself as second-year grad student. Has previous experience in chemistry and biochemistry student group organizing. Josh asks for specific ideas or projects. Mohammad responds with: expanding access to research journals and subscriptions at UWM, and improving after-hour building access and safety, perhaps through parking changes. Santiago asks how Mohammad will reach other graduate students outside of his home department. Mohammad has past experience with reaching out to other students in neighboring departments. 
   
   Katie makes motion to approve Mohammad as Graduate School Senator, seconded by Adyson. Motion passes unanimously.

b. Yugg Kolhe
   i. International Student Advocacy Senator
   Yugg introduces himself as a student who arrived 1 year ago and has faced many difficulties in transitioning to living in Milwaukee. Passionate about making connections between SA and International Student community. Would like to improve scholarship information and deadline information for international student applicants. Interested in using play and sport as a way to help international students settle in at UWM, uses a Cricket Club as an example. Santiago asks what Yugg is studying. He is a senior in civil engineering.
Adrian makes motion to approve Yugg as International Student Advocacy Senator, seconded by Josh. Motion passes unanimously.

c. Rebecca Eaton
   i. Students with Disabilities Advocacy Senator
   Rebecca Eaton was not able to attend in person. Zen read out her candidate statement as submitted to SAPS. Rebecca has taken coursework in American Sign Language and trains animals to help people with disabilities.

   Adyson motions to approve Rebecca as Students with Disabilities Advocacy Senator, seconded by Santiago. Motion passes unanimously.

Shared Governance and SA Committee Appointments

d. Christine Bain
   i. Union Policy Board (UPB)
   ii. Student Appropriations Committee (SAC)

e. Courtney Bernd
   i. Non-Academic Misconduct Hearing Committee

f. Emma Horjus
   i. Director of Inclusive Excellence Center Search and Screen Committee
   ii. Asst. Director of Women’s Resource Center Search and Screen Committee

g. Ilian Iliev
   i. Advisory Committee on Educational Technology (ACET)
   ii. Independent Elections Commission (IEC)
   iii. Information Technology Policy Committee (ITPC)
   iv. University Relations Committee (URC)

h. Laya Liebeseller
   i. Non-Academic Misconduct Hearing Committee

i. Pachoua Lor
   i. Non-Academic Misconduct Hearing Committee

j. Molly McCourt
   i. Gender and Sexuality Advisory Committee
   ii. Non-Academic Misconduct Hearing Committee
   iii. Women’s Advocacy Committee (WAC)
   iv. Assistant Director of the Women’s Resource Center Search and Screen Committee

k. John McCune
   i. Dean of Students Search and Screen

l. Josh Rivers
   i. Dean of Students Search and Screen Committee
   ii. Director of Inclusive Excellence Center Search and Screen Committee
   iii. International Committee
   iv. Graduate Student Representation Committee (GSRC)

m. Victoria Davis
   i. Intercampus Communication Committee

n. Anthony Cattani
   i. Intercampus Communication Committee

o. Megan Roshak
   i. Intercampus Communication Committee

Sam motions to package and approve all shared governance and SA committee appointments, or items “d” through “o” under “VI Special Orders”. John explains what “packaging and approving” means for the benefit of the Senate and notes that filling spots on committees with students who are not senators does not take away committee seats reserved for senators. Motion seconded by Conal, passes unanimously.
VII. **Old Business**

None

VIII. **New Business**

a. **Viewpoint Neutrality**
Quincy and Sarah lead the presentation of the concept of viewpoint neutrality, the history of the practice in UW-System student governments, examples of the practice in funding decision situations, and additional details.

b. **Introduction and Nominations to Time-Sensitive Committees**
Josh notes that the descriptive text for Student Leadership Committee (SLC) should say there is room for 4 senators in addition to the seat reserved for the (Whatever seat Josh is in, find real title name), rather than 1 seat.

  i. **Student Appropriations Committee Presentation**
  Student Organizations and Appropriations Director Mary Greuel presents on the critical duties and responsibilities of the Student Appropriations Committee (SAC). She notes that there are seats available, including for senators and non-senators, though non-senators must be a member of at least one Registered Student Organization (RSO).
  Brielle asks about meeting times. Mary answers that the meetings are variable depending on the SAC funding deadlines, and the very first SAC meeting will be dedicated to scheduling meetings around existing commitments.

  ii. **Senate Finance Committee Presentation**
  Treasurer Emma Horjus presents on the history, critical duties, and responsibilities of the Student Finance Committee (SFC).
  Santiago asks what the time commitment is like. Emma responds that the time commitment is variable, but the largest commitment is for the rounds of hearings, which can be around four hours long.
  Adrian asks about the timeline and if students who are graduating at the end of this semester can participate. Emma responds that the bulk of the work is complete by the second week of the second semester, so it would likely be acceptable for students graduating in 2018 December to participate.

  iii. **Environmental Sustainability and Mentorship Committee Presentation**
  VP for Student Affairs John McCune presents on the previous semester’s projects as well as the critical duties, and responsibilities of the Environmental Sustainability and Mentorship Committee Presentation (ESMC).
  Katie asks what the time commitment is like. John notes that the first semester is the application and approval stage and requires a weekly or biweekly 1 hour commitment, and the second semester requires a larger time commitment due to the challenges of project implementation.

c. **Introduction to Additional Committees and Nominations**
Alyssa begins introduction of the additional committees. Katie asks about the SA committee membership rule (“Senators must be a member of one committee and no more than four committees”) and if being on four University Committees fulfills the rule. The question is directed to SAPS, who then defer to President Molinski.

Conal motions to open the floor for SA Committee nominations, Santiago seconds. Motion passes unanimously.
Amaya nominates Josh Graybow for SAC. Josh accepts.
Courtney nominates herself for SAC.

Santiago nominates himself to SFC.
Conal nominates himself to SFC.
Will nominates himself to SFC.
Brielle nominates herself to SFC.
Yugg nominates himself to SFC.
Josh nominates Adrian to SFC. Adrian accepts.
Sam nominates himself to SFC.
Mohammed nominates himself to SFC.

Alyssa and Emma note that as a graduate student, he is preferentially named to SFC over other advocacy or academic senators due to the SFC committee rules outlining a preference for a graduate student to be on the committee.
Sam rescinds his nomination.

Alyssa explains the voting process: Conal, Yugg and Adrian are three advocacy senators who are competing for the two advocacy senator seats on the SFC.
Conal notes that he has experience in the Peck School of the Arts Black and Gold committee.
Yugg explains that he can give a unique perspective on the SFC.
Adrian presents that past internship and political science work has prepared him for service on the SFC.
The results of the Senate Vote indicate that the senators that will fill the two contested Advocacy senator seats on the SFC are: Conal and Yugg.

Adyson nominates herself for the ESMC.
Santiago nominates himself for the ESMC.
Amaya nominates herself for the ESMC.
Courtney nominates herself for the ESMC.
Citlaly nominates herself for the ESMC.
Adrian nominates himself for the ESMC.

Adyson notes that she is an at-large senator and how sustainability and energy savings are important for all students across UWM.
Santiago is returning to the ESMC and has experience in how the process went last year.
Amaya is passionate about sustainability and wants to promote projects on campus.
Courtney explains that she is interested how sustainability intersects with societal issues like poverty or community formation and would bring this perspective to the committee.
Laly explains that she is passionate about sustainability and has experience in transitioning the restaurant she works at to reduce waste and become more sustainable.
Adrian participates with the League of Wisconsin Conservation Voters and building partnerships with business and community groups.
The results of the Senate vote indicate that the senators that will fill the five contested ESMC seats are: Adyson, Santiago, Amaya, Courtney and Laly.

Briceida nominates herself to SAC.
Adrian nominates himself to SAC.
Emire nominates himself to SAC.

Adyson motions to approve Santiago, Conel, Brielle, Will, Yugg, and Mohammed to SFC, seconded by Will. Motion passes unanimously.
Josh motions to approve Josh, Courtney, Briceida, Adrian, and Emire to SAC, seconded by Will. Passes unanimously.
Will motions to approve Adyson, Santiago, Amaya, Courtney and Laly to ESMC, seconded by Adyson. Passes unanimously.

Josh outlines the responsibilities and duties of the Student Leadership Committee and touches specifically on planning campus-wide events. Notes there is a pretty large time commitment, either once a week or once every other week.

Josh nominates Amaya to SLC. Amaya accepts.

Alyssa outlines the Student Voting Rights Committee and notes that the time commitment

Adrian nominates himself for SVRC.
Santiago nominates himself for SVRC.
Emire nominates himself for SVRC.

Amaya nominates Josh for the Student Association Safety Committee (SASC) Josh accepts.
Will nominates Matt for SASC. Matt accepts.
Amaya nominates Adrian for SASC, Adrian accepts.
Will nominates himself for SASC.

John introduces the Student Life and Interest Committee (SLIC), notes that it was not filled last year and no meetings were had. Notes that time commitment will be variable depending on the projects the committee chooses to take on.
Katie nominates herself for SLIC.
Conal nominates herself for SLIC.

Sam nominates himself for Student Transportation Committee (STC)

No nominations for the Women’s Advocacy Committee. (WAC)
No nominations for the LGBT+ Advocacy Committee.

Yugg nominates himself for the Restaurant Operations Advisory Committee (ROAC)

Mohammed nominates himself for the Graduate Student Representation Committee (GSRC)

Katie motions to package and approve the following committee appointments:
- Adrian, Santiago and Emire on SVRC
- Josh, Matt and Adrian and Will on SAsC
- Katie and Conal on SLIC
- Sam on STC
- Amaya on SLC
- Yugg on ROAC
- Mohammed on GSRC
Motion seconded by Adyson. Motion passes unanimously.

d. SA Budget

Alyssa notes that there is a piece of legislation prepared for the SA Budget, but the document was not distributed 24 hours in advance so it will not be voted on at this meeting. Instead, this will be an opportunity to ask questions and review the document before voting on it at the next session.

Emma introduces the budget and notes that the amounts and distribution are the same as last year’s budget. Emma also notes that funds allocated to the Executive Branch are available for Senators as well depending on need and justification.
Yugg asks what the travel budget is for and if all students can access it. Emma responds that the resources in this budget are for use by members of SA, and it has typically been used for conference travel, UW-System Reps meetings, and the like.

Mohammed asks if the budget is for academic purposes or SA purposes. Emma responds that this is for SA business purposes only.

Sam motions to table the SA Budget legislation, seconded by Santiago. Motion passes unanimously.

e. Intercampus Communication Committee Bylaw Ratification
   Zen introduces the Intercampus Communication Committee (ICC) legislation and how this relates to the UW System merger process.

   Will moves to approve the ICC Bylaws.

   Katie asked about a grammatical error that is outside of a friendly amendment. Zen explains that it would be required to be sent back

   Matt seconds Will’s motion. Motion approved unanimously.

IX. Questions and Concerns

James notes that OAC is still looking for two at-large students

Alexis introduces herself and notes that the nametags on the table are open for edits and cardstock nametags will be available at the next meeting. Roberts Rules of Order hints will be available on the backs of the nametags.

X. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Santiago. Secondary motion by Matt. Motion passes unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm