



- I. *Call to Order - 12:52*
  
- II. *Roll Call (P = Present, E = Excused, A = Absent)*
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    - a. *Mia Heredia (President) - P*
    - b. *Keyiona Johnson (VP of Student Affairs) - P*
    - c. *Daniel Dyer (VP of Academic Affairs) - E*
    - d. *Syd Vinyard (Secretary) - P*
    - e. *VACANT (CCED) - N/A*
    - f. *Kristin Popian (Treasurer) - E*
    - g. *Lilith Lenz (DID) - P*
    - h. *Bailey Kissack (MPD) - P*
    - i. *Wesley Hines (SOAD) - E*

### **III. Reports**

#### ***Mia Heredia***

- Mia begins by saying that yester she went to the Student Affairs kick off. She learned a lot about what they were up to during COVID which she found really impressive. She also had a meeting with Kelly H., and the main to things that came from that was the idea for a UW System wide vaccination panel that is multicultural to combat the misconceptions surrounding the vaccine for marginalized communities. Then they talked about the forum and things around that, and they are currently doing the finalist interviews for UWM Chief of Police.

#### ***Keyiona***

- Keyiona is working on doing diversity training for students and then meeting with Adam tomorrow. To which Mia adds that Keyiona, Lilith and Bailey all need to have a meeting because they have all said this separately to Sarah.

#### ***Daniel Dyer***

- *Excused*

#### ***Syd Vinyard***

- Syd says that they have just been plowing along with minutes, PMNs, and agendas and they also thank Bailey for her help with nametags because they would not have been able to get that done without her help.

#### ***Kristin Popian***

- *Excused*

#### ***VACANT***

- *N/A*

#### ***Lilith Lenz***

- Lilith just had a meeting for mental health for minorities to discuss her workshop idea. Lilith said they were great, and awesome, which was so nice. Lilith also wants more opinions from the multicultural center, and she contacted Alberto from that center, to listen and hear what they have to say and how we can also help them, and he also invited her to meetings for the fall semester.

#### ***Bailey Kissack***

- Bailey has had a slow week after Spirit of Colors and she adds that it went great. Other than that, she is just kind of in “limbo” with marketing orders. She adds that they are printing some of her posters for recruitment, and they are also working on designs for “swag” orders, which she adds that they will take about a month or so to get here. She is also helping Syd out with nametags for the senate meeting, and they will be done tomorrow morning. She adds one more thing and says that she will be scheduling tabling this week for the rest of the semester.

#### ***Wesley Hines***

- *Excused*

## ***Professional Staff***

- Sarah: Sarah has two appointments for IEC which need to be added to the agenda. Which gets us to the bare minimum of people required to make quorum. She adds that we also really need folks to sit on SAC as Wesley can't do everything for that committee on his own. Sarah says that to all of us who work with Senators to encourage them to sit on SAC and that needs to be a collective effort. She adds that to all of us who work with senators to encourage them to sit on SAC. Overall, recruitment is the big thing. SFC also started this week.

### ***IV. Open Forum***

No members of the public wishing to speak

### ***V. Approval of Agenda***

Mia entertains a motion for the approval of the agenda. So moved by Bailey, seconded by Lilith. No discussion. Passes unanimously.

### ***VI. Special Orders***

No special orders.

#### ***I. Old Business***

- i. Approval of previous meeting minutes 09/15/21

Mia entertains a motion, so moved by Lilith, seconded by Bailey. No discussion. Passes unanimously.

#### ***II. New Business***

- i. Art with Impact

Each workshop is \$4200 and there are financial aid applications. Art with Impact is a nonprofit charity. Lilith then reads more from the information. She adds that each person workshop costs \$4200 and this amount includes the curriculum, an educational artistic licensed trained facilitator, marketing materials, and supplies. She then adds that they work to provide prevention and early intervention work tailored to your campus. She then adds that campuses that cannot afford the full amount are able to fundraise and they are committed to making their program as accessible as possible with that they also have several scholarships available for schools that cannot pay the full amount. To see if that can be awarded there is a form to fill out online to apply for it. Lilith then pauses for a moment for people to weigh in. The consensus is that it is rather expensive. Mia then tries to look over some of the information further and Lilith turns over her MacBook to her to which Mia then quickly realizes that MacBook screens are not touch screens.

Lilith then says a little bit more. She says that a lot of their workshops are focused on the mental health of BIPOC individuals, and this program was developed by Natalie Pettersen. Ultimately, they are really focused on the mental health and well-being surrounding the black community. They do various exercises, like writing, visual exercises all centered around students reclaiming themselves.

Mia then asks the first question, and she is wondering say we voted yes to use part of the budget to fund this, would we get one workshop of our choice or whatever they decide to do for us?

Lilith says that they can do packages for us, meaning we could do one or do a package, but then the price may potentially go up.

Bailey then asks while this is very much centered around the black community which is wonderful is their space for it to also benefit the Native American community, the Latino community, and the East Asian community on campus?

Lilith says that she didn't really ask about that.

Mia then adds that she assumes that their workshops center around Black generational trauma, so maybe even though other voices of marginalized communities can come, they might not completely relate.

Lilith acknowledges that it is hard to find something that encompasses everyone because every community has their own trauma.

Sarah then joins the conversation and adds on that note, the programming budget for the year is \$7000 dollars, and a portion of that has already been used. She kind of wants to get a timeline on this as we don't want to exhaust the rest of our programming budget when it is only the end of September.

Mia asks if there is a set schedule for these programs and Lilith says that they didn't say anything about that.

Sarah wonders if it is possible if we could partner with a student organization who would be interested in applying for a SAC grant so SA could partner with them and almost sponsor it to preserve our programming budget a little more.

Lilith says there is still the possibility that we could apply to see if we can get any sort of financial aid from this organization.

Mia says that we should apply for it, but if we don't get all of it, it's not worth the \$4000 plus dollars in her eyes when we could ask multiple different entities on campus to put together the same thing. To which Bailey agrees with. Bailey would be willing to help put something like that together.

The consensus is that we should try filling out the form for financial aid and see what happens and go from there.

Bailey moves to lay the Art with Impact discussion on the table to the next exec meeting, seconded by Syd. Mia moves it to a vote. With all in favor, none opposed, and no abstentions the move to lay Art with Impact on the table until the next Exec Meeting passes unanimously.

ii. Setting the Senate Agenda

The first thing Mia has to add will go under open forum, Laurie Marks CCBLLR to introduce who she is and what she does.

Bailey then adds an item under new business, working with your MPD. She sees this as a way to create a presentation for the Sente so they can properly learn how to plan events on campus.

Sarah asks if Syd has heard anything about legislation, and they reply with no. Sometimes Senators will send stuff directly to Syd and Sarah doesn't even know about it. So, she would just like a heads-up next time that happens.

Mia then adds under new business, committee/SAC appointments because it is crucial that SAC gets filled.

Mia then asks if there is any further discussion about adding anything to Sundays Senate Agenda. Hearing none, she moves to a vote. With all in favor, none opposed, and no abstentions, the Senate Agenda passes unanimously.

### **III. Questions and Concerns**

Mia directs a question to all of Exec about the latest Dean of Students email and she wants to hear our thoughts.

Lilith said that at first it kind of confused her because the language almost made it seem like he was blaming the student until she realized that because the event didn't happen on UWM's campus it is out of our control.

Syd mentions that while the email was thorough, there should have been more empathy. The ending of it was great, that almost should have been the opening paragraph. Syd also mentions that from their English class today they realized how many students don't know or understand the administrative and logistical side of it all. Students just get frustrated which sucks because it is heard, but Syd adds that they think what students want is for administration (people like Mone, and Jussel) students almost want them to denounce the legislation that exists, of course, they risk their jobs in doing that.

Bailey agrees, but it does put them in a tricky spot.

Keyiona says the email was surprising but not too surprising because Sarah had told her about it beforehand. It makes sense to her why the school couldn't do anything, but she doesn't think it was better than the last email that was sent out.

Sarah asks people to speak to more specifics.

Syd says that when writing an email, the direction statement or plan for the course of action should be the first thing that comes in the email so students know that there is something going on behind the scenes that they can't see. Bailey adds that having that appear at the end isn't as effective because students aren't going to read the whole thing.

Lilith and Keyiona then agree.

Syd then raises a question from a past experience where they got to meet Adam Jussel. They add that he actually came to UWM at Waukesha which meant a lot because the branch campuses often felt forgotten after the merger. They proceed to say that though COVID is happening is there a way that a sort of meet and greet could happen with the Dean of Students and also Mone to demystify them a little bit. They know that this was an event once before during pre-covid times, but it might be useful to do it again. Bailey then agrees. None of us think he is terrible, as we all like to think that Adam Jussel is doing the best he can. Mia agrees that accessibility is a big issue so maybe making him more known would-be beneficial. Sarah then speaks to Mone as someone who is an approachable person and that he genuinely does care about students, and he is also open to feedback, and Sarah wants us to think through how we would want to structure an event should we decide to hold something with him like a question-and-answer session.

### **IV. Adjournment**

Mia moves to adjourn the meeting.

*Meeting adjourned at 1:52*