



AGENDA OF THE  
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN- RIVER FALLS  
STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT SENATE  
Tuesday, December 9th, 2003  
Regents Room of the Hagestad Student Center

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL OF MEMBERS
- III. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- V. GUEST SPEAKER
- VI. OPEN FORUM
- VII. SHARED GOVERNANCE REPORTS
  - A. UNITED STATES STUDENT ASSOCIATION REPORTS
  - B. UNITED COUNCIL REPORTS
  - C. STUDENT SENATE DIRECTOR REPORTS
    - 1. SHARED GOVERNANCE DIRECTOR—Emilee Driscoll
    - 2. STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ACADEMIC SERVICES DIRECTOR- Nick Cluppert
    - 3. LEGISLATIVE ISSUES DIRECTOR—Katie Kneissel
    - 4. FINANCE DIRECTOR—Joan Wierzba
    - 5. DIVERSITY ISSUES DIRECTOR—Lisa Weinreich
    - 6. WOMEN’S INITIATIVES DIRECTOR-Barbara Lind
    - 7. PARLIMENTARIAN / ETHICS CHAIR- Interim Brandon Bruder
    - 8. VICE PRESIDENT—Brandon Bruder
    - 9. PRESIDENT—Matthew Schuelke
  - D. FACILITIES AND FEES BOARD CHAIR- Amber Horn
  - E. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRAMMING BOARD CHAIR- Jeremy Tilsen
  - F. OTHER
- VIII. UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE REPORTS
- IX. OLD BUSINESS

**SS-03-04-025**

Whereas, the Student Senate Election By-laws are no longer adequate to meet the needs of the spring and fall elections, and

Whereas it is the responsibility of the Finance Committee to oversee the necessary changes,

Be it resolved that the Student Senate approve the following changes to the Student Senate Election By-laws.

Article 6, Section B, Clause 8

1. Elections Committee ~~and polling workers~~ cannot influence other people’s vote while on duty.  
(Original wording struck out, italics new things)

This motion is effective immediately.

**Wierzba/Koski**

**SS-03-04-026**

Whereas, the Student Senate Election By-laws are no longer adequate to meet the needs of the spring and fall elections, and

Whereas it is the responsibility of the Finance Committee to oversee the necessary changes,

Be it resolved that the Student Senate approve the following changes to the Student Senate Election By-laws.

Article 6, Section C, Clause 1

1. No person may engage in campaigning during polling hours on election days within 100 feet of ~~a known polling table~~ *the Student Center* and the University Library.

(Original wording struck out, italics new things)

This motion is effective immediately.

**Wierzba/Koski**

**SS-03-04-027**

Whereas, the Student Senate Election By-laws are no longer adequate to meet the needs of the spring and fall elections, and

Whereas it is the responsibility of the Finance Committee to oversee the necessary changes,

Be it resolved that the Student Senate approve the following changes to the Student Senate Election By-laws.

~~Article 4, Section H. Fall Elections~~

1. ~~Fall Elections will be held to elect the three first year Student Association Student Senators.~~

2. ~~At large vacancies of the Student Association Student Senate will be filled during fall elections.~~

3. ~~Fall elections will be held the fourth week of classes in the fall semester.~~

4. ~~Petitions will be available the first Friday of classes and due the second.~~

5. ~~Excluding the timeline and primaries the fall elections will follow all rules and guidelines found within the Student Association Constitution, Bylaws, and Election Rules.~~

(Original wording struck out, italics new things)

This motion is effective immediately.

**Wierzba/Koski**

**SS-03-04-028**

Whereas, the Student Senate Election By-laws are no longer adequate to meet the needs of the spring and fall elections, and

Whereas it is the responsibility of the Finance Committee to oversee the necessary changes,

Be it resolved that the Student Senate approve the following changes to the Student Senate Election By-laws.

Article 4, Section G, Clause 8

~~8. A request for a recount must be filed in writing to the Student Association Student Senate Ethics Committee within 24 hours after the results are announced. The Student Association Student Senate Ethics Committee will be responsible for conducting the recount within 48 hours after the request is submitted.~~

(Original wording struck out, italics new things)

This motion is effective immediately.

**Wierzba/Koski**

**SS-03-04-029**

Whereas, the Student Senate Election By-laws are no longer adequate to meet the needs of the spring and fall elections, and

Whereas it is the responsibility of the Finance Committee to oversee the necessary changes,

Be it resolved that the Student Senate approve the following changes to the Student Senate Election By-laws.

Article 4, Section G, Clause 5

5. Individuals designated by the Student Association Student Senate Elections Committee will ~~count the ballots~~ *receive the online results the day after elections.*

(Original wording struck out, italics new things)

This motion is effective immediately.

**Wierzba/Koski**

**SS-03-04-030**

Whereas, the Student Senate Election By-laws are no longer adequate to meet the needs of the spring and fall elections, and

Whereas it is the responsibility of the Finance Committee to oversee the necessary changes,

Be it resolved that the Student Senate approve the following changes to the Student Senate Election By-laws.

Article 4, Section G, Clause 3

3. *Directions to vote on-line will follow:*

- a. *Voters will need to go to [www.uwrf.edu](http://www.uwrf.edu)*
- b. *Click on the current student link*
- c. *Click on the FredNet icon*
- d. *Click on the "enter the online voting station"*

This motion is effective immediately.

**Wierzba/Koski**

**SS-03-04-031**

Whereas, the Student Senate Election By-laws are no longer adequate to meet the needs of the spring and fall elections, and

Whereas it is the responsibility of the Finance Committee to oversee the necessary changes,

Be it resolved that the Student Senate approve the following changes to the Student Senate Election By-laws.

Article 4, Section G, Clause 2

2. *Voting will be done on-line through the FredNet website.*

(Original wording struck out, italics new things)

This motion is effective immediately.

**Wierzbak/Koski**

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

**SS-03-04-032**

Whereas the executive committee met on December 4, 2003, and

Whereas the executive committee interviewed all candidates for the newly vacant Parliamentarian and Ethics Chair on said date,

Therefore be it resolved, that the Student Association Student Senate confirm Adam Koski as the name forwarded by the Executive Committee and President for the Parliamentarian and Ethics Chair Position for the remainder of the 03-04 academic term.

**Lind/Schuelke**

**SS-03-04-033**

Whereas the executive committee met on December 2, 2003, and

Whereas the executive committee interviewed a candidate for a senate position on said date,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Student Association Student Senate confirm the appointment of Angela Drinkwine to a seat for the remainder of the 03-04 academic term.

**Lind/Schuelke**

**SS-03-04-034**

Whereas, there are students at the University of Wisconsin – River Falls that do request their Mandatory Refundable Fee back from United Council, and

Whereas, United Council coming into classrooms to present their agenda does not apply to the views of students who have requested their Mandatory Refundable Fee back, and

Whereas, students pay thousands of dollars for the classes they are attending, and

Whereas, United Council coming into the classroom consumes the time that students have paid for higher education versus being lobbied, therefore

Be It Resolved, that United Council can not do class raps as part of their lobbying of students when there is a United Council Referendum.

**Cluppert/Hanson**

**SS-03-04-035**

Whereas, United Council General Assemblies are meetings where resolutions are passed and failed,

Whereas, members of United Council bring forth motions to the General Assembly floor to be voted on,

Whereas, some members may or may not agree with the verdict of those motions,

Whereas, it is disrespectful for those who are in favor of the motion to cheer when it passes or for those who are against the motion to cheer when it fails,

Whereas, it is unprofessional and offensive regardless of which side of the motion one is on to cheer and holler when their side "wins,"

Whereas, this motion should be passed and forwarded to the General Assembly in January,

Therefore be it resolved, that the Student Association Student Senate of River Falls condemns the cheering of a motion after the verdict on the General Assembly floor.

**Hanson/Koski**

**SS-03-04-036**

Whereas: The Finance Committee oversees all significant expenditures within the Student Association Student Senate, and

Whereas: A dozen student organizations in the University of Wisconsin – River Falls have expressed a clear desire for storage space, and

Whereas: The student organizations wishing to use the space also want no or a minimal fee, and

Whereas: Space available in the Student Senate Office and Leadership Center is at present significantly limited, and

Whereas: The new Student Center shall be designed to have abundant space for Shared Governance,

Therefore, be it resolved, the Finance Committee endorses additional research into the purchasing of student organization lockers shortly following the move to the new Student Center;

furthermore, be it resolved, the Student Association Student Senate allocates without a fee the four 2' x 1' x 2' dark gray cabinets to student organizations interested in the space usage (though they will remain the property of Student Association Student Senate) until the lockers have been purchased and presented (though they would also be the property Student Association Student Senate).

This motion is effective at the conclusion of the Fall Semester 2003-2004.

**Koski/Wierzba**

**SS-03-04-037**

Whereas: The Student Association Student Senate By-laws Article VIII, Section A, Clause 1 reads: “Regular meetings of the Student Association Student Senate will be held at 7:00 p.m. every Tuesday during the academic year when classes are in session”, and

Whereas: Several Student Senators have other activities they are obligated to attend at/around 7 p.m. on Tuesdays, e.g. City Council meetings and extracurricular events and

Whereas: A trial program of one semester would assess the validity of a change - i.e. reevaluate if Student Senate would like to permanently install change of times – after which a sunset clause would be enacted returning to the current clause, and

Whereas: A later meeting time would not affect the schedules of Student Senators the following day,

Therefore, be it resolved, the Student Association Student Senate temporarily suspend By-Laws Article VIII, Section A, Clause 1, and temporarily replace it with the wording “Regular meetings of the Student Association Student Senate will be held at 8:00 p.m. every Tuesday during the academic year when classes are in session”;

Furthermore, be it resolved this motion is effective immediately and expires at the end of the Spring Semester 2003-2004.

This motion would be effective immediately.

**Koski/Crass**

XI. ADDITIONAL ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting for the semester of the Student Association Student Senate will be Tuesday, January 27th, 2004 in the Regents Room of the Hagestad Student Center