

# Ripon College Student Senate

## Agenda for Wednesday February 24th, 2016

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of old Minutes
- III. Committee Reports
  - A. Secretary Valdez
  - B. Treasurer Grinde
  - C. Vice President Hince
  - D. President Brixus
  - E. Dean Ogle
  - F. What's Up With Your Group?
  - G. One Fund Talk Back
  - H. Student Activities Report
  - I. Miscellaneous Committees
- IV. Old Business
- V. New Business
  - A. Ripon College Republicans One Fund Request
  - B. German Club Constitutional Revisions
  - C. English Equestrian Team Budget Reallocation
- VI. Announcements
- VII. Open Forum
- VII. Adjournment

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## Minutes for Wednesday February 3rd, 2016

### I. Call to Order

- 6:30 PM

### II. Approval of old Minutes

### III. Committee Reports

#### A. Secretary Valdez

- None

#### B. Treasurer Grinde

- One Fund: \$38,188

#### C. Vice President Hince

- CSO meeting will be March 2nd at 5PM in the Heritage room.
- With the constitutional revisions today there should be a motion to amend that instead of striking everything under the Trustee subsection only the Trustee committee positions will be strikes.

#### D. President Brixus

- Reminder that today after the meeting there is a meeting with the Sodexo people.
- Election materials will go out next Monday.
- Reminder that Senator elections will be run with the exec elections.

#### E. Dean Ogle

- None

#### F. What's Up With Your Group?

- Feminists Club:
  - Grant proposal for free tampon and pad dispensers got approved.

#### G. One Fund Talk Back

- None

#### H. Student Activities Report

- The graduation fair sponsored by the book store will be taking place Feb 18th from 10am-3pm in Pickard B-12. Seniors should come to get measured for their caps and gowns. You can also check out other graduation gear from some of the book store vendors.
- The next CSO Meeting will be Wed, March 2nd at 5pm in the Heritage Room. All Student Senate-funded organizations should have a representative in attendance.
- The transportation deadline for spring break shuttles is March 2nd - start making your plans now!
- Excellence in Leadership Awards nominations are still being accepted. See the attached sheet and click here to submit nominations - <http://goo.gl/forms/oH6KAA075Q> The nominations are due March 4th.

#### I. Miscellaneous Committees

- None

#### IV. Old Business

##### A. Ripon College Feminists Constitutional Revisions

- Nothing new to add
- Passed in the eyes of the speaker.

##### B. Student Senate Constitutional & Operating Rules Revisions

- Motion passed to amend that instead of striking everything under the Trustee subsection only the Trustee committee positions will be strikes.
- Everything else remained the same
- Passed in the eyes of the speaker

#### V. New Business

##### A. CCF One Fund Request

- 13 students are going on a winter retreat this weekend this request is to cover the increased number of students who wanted to attend.
- The students are paying out of pocket, and this will make it affordable for everyone.
- Passed in the eyes of the speaker

#### VI. Announcements

- None

#### VII. Open Forum

- Stall longer on minutes corrections for next meeting.
- Good work team

#### VII. Adjournment

- 6:40PM

Ripon College Republicans One Fund Request:  
Dear Senators,

Each year the College Republicans go to the CPAC conference and we are really excited to have been given the opportunity to go again! Unfortunately, the last one fund that we submitted was under the assumption that we would be able to use the busing service from the CRNC for free. However, there was an issue on their end and now we have been unable to get transportation through them. Therefore, we are asking that we be able to fly out. I know that this is a large sum of money that we are going to be asking for, but we are through almost  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the academic year and still have about half of the one fund that we started with. Also please keep in mind that this number is an estimate- any less and we will give it back, any over and we will have to pay out of pocket.

We could drive, but we do not have enough student approved drivers to be able to do that (last year we drove but all six of us could switch off when we got tired. This year we only have one driver, and would need two vans). We have decreased our size from 10 people to 8, which helps a little with flight cost (and not needing two hotel rooms) and will be missing one of the days of the conference to lower the hotel cost (which was already factored into the last request). Also, it is much cheaper to fly into Baltimore, so we will be doing that instead of flying into DC. From there we can take the train to Union Station, where the conference has a free shuttle.

To recap what we were given in our last one fund: 1200 for hotel (which has now risen to \$1700, so we will have to cover that cost), 350 for registration (which is half of the cost), 300 for food (groceries, as we are booking the hotel with a kitchen), which totaled to \$1850.

Due to the hiccups, we are asking for...

Airfare to Baltimore, from Chicago:  $\$200 \text{ roundtrip} \times 8 \text{ people} = \$1600$

Train tickets both ways for 8 people:  $\$14 \times 8 = \$112$

Help with the rising hotel cost: \$500

Total: \$2,212

German Club Constitutional Revisions:

**Standard Form for German Club Bylaws**

**Article 1: Name**

**Section 1:**

The name of this organization shall be “Ripon College German Club.”

**Article 2: Objectives**

**Section 1:**

The objectives of this club shall be:

- a. to encourage interest in communication of the German language, as well as German history and culture
- b. to enhance skills in spoken and written German
- c. to foster a relationship with German students within the Ripon School District
- d. to promote personal growth and development through fellowship with others
- e. to organize and assist German culture related activities, trips, and events

**Article 3: Motto**

**Section 1:**

The motto of this club shall be “Einschieb das Motto hier”.

**Article 4: Membership**

**Section 1:**

Membership of this club shall be in accordance with the following:

- a. any student of good standing, who is officially enrolled for at least part-time status as defined by Ripon College, may be granted active membership
  - a. good standing shall be assumed unless the Ripon College code of Conduct is violated by the member
- b. there shall be no discrimination on the basis of age, race, gender, political affiliation, sexual orientation, religious affiliation or disability within this organization
- c. if a member has not graduated, he or she has thirty days to meet enrollment, academic, or minimum membership requirements before his or her membership will cease.

**Section 2:**

Hazing in any form is strictly prohibited. Hazing is defined as subjecting others to harassment or ridicule, including, but not limited to involving forced consumption of alcohol or drugs.

## **Article 5: Officers**

### Section 1:

The elected officers of this club shall be a president, one vice president, and either a secretary/ treasurer or a secretary and a treasurer. All officers shall be active members in good standing with this club. They shall serve for one year or until their successors are elected and trained in the respective position.

### Section 2:

The duties of the officers shall be as follows:

- a. The president shall be the executive officer of this club and shall preside over all club and executive board meetings. The president shall appoint committee members with the board officers. The president shall oversee all standing and special committees. The outgoing president shall make provisions for the training of the new executive board prior to their installation. The president may recommend other duties for executive board members as needed so long as they are approved by the executive board unanimously.
- b. The vice president, in the absence of the president, shall preside at all meetings of this club and of the executive board. The vice president shall be directly responsible to the president for all committee activities. The vice president shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned by the executive board.
- c. The secretary shall record accurate minutes of the meeting, maintain the club's permanent records, update all addresses, and perform such other duties as may be assigned by the executive board.
- d. The treasurer shall prepare and adhere to an approved budget and maintain accurate records. The treasurer shall transact business through a school account. The treasurer shall keep the executive board informed of financial strengths and weaknesses of the club. The treasurer shall also obtain club supplies and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned by the executive board.

### Section 3:

Any member may recommend the removal of a club officer to the executive board. The executive board shall hold a meeting at which the officer in question shall be heard. The executive board will then present the findings to the club at which time a vote by 2/3 is required to remove the officer in question. In the event any officer should be removed from office, the secretary shall notify the officer in writing.

### Section 4:

The executive board shall approve the budget, approve all bills, take counsel with committees, and perform such other duties as shall be referred to it by the club in compliance with these bylaws.

### Section 5:

The officers shall meet at least once per month during the school year at a time and place that shall be determined and at such other times as the president or a majority of its voting members deem necessary.

## **Article 6: Elections of Club Officers**

### Section 1:

Election of officers shall be held at a regularly scheduled meeting. They shall serve for one year or until their successors are duly elected and installed.

### Section 2:

All officers who are members in good standing are eligible for re-election.

### Section 3:

Officers shall be nominated by any member of the club at least one week prior to the election date.

### Section 4:

Election of officers shall be conducted by ballot. Members that are off campus due to participation in a study abroad program will also be eligible to vote by electronic ballot. A member shall be voted in when a majority of the quorum is obtained.

### Section 5:

The electronic ballot must be submitted to the Ripon College German Club's faculty advisor with the eligible member's collegiate email address, ending in ripon.edu. The electronic ballot must be sent by either the secretary to the member's official Ripon College email address before 11:59 p.m. CST after final officer nominations. The electronic ballot must be returned to the club faculty advisor within two days of receiving it before 11:59 p.m. CST for the ballot to be valid.

### Section 6:

In the event of a tie for any of the offices, the remaining candidates will be removed from the ballot, and the two candidates shall be voted on again.

a. In the event that only two candidates are running for an office and the vote results in a tie, then each candidate will be given one and a half minutes to speak to the membership and another vote will be taken. In the event of another tie, the president shall cast the tie-breaking vote.

### Section 7:

With the establishment of this organization, a student nominated by the head of the German Department will act as President for the first term, after which point regular elections will be held. This stipulation applies only to the office of the President, not to the club's other officers.

## **Article 7: Club Meetings**

### Section 1:

During the school year, the club shall hold weekly meetings on such a day and at such a place as shall be determined by the club officers and the club members. It may hold such other meetings as the officers or the membership may desire. In the event that unusual conditions prevent a weekly meeting, the club may hold a minimum of two meetings per month.

### Section 2:

Quorum at a club meeting shall be considered a majority (50% plus one) of the active club membership and is required for business to be legally transacted.

## **Article 8: Committees**

### Section 1:

The executive board has the right to form any special committee deemed necessary for normal club function. Upon formation of a committee, the executive board shall provide the duties of the committee.

## **Article 9: Amendments**

### Section 1:

Amendments to these bylaws shall be adopted by two-thirds vote of the membership at any regular meeting held at least two weeks after the regular meeting at which the proposed amendment or amendments were read, or after giving written notice thereof to each member one week prior to the action on such amendment or amendments, but no amendment to this constitution shall be effective unless it has been approved by the Ripon College Student Senate in accordance with the procedures therein.



English Equestrian Team Budget Reallocation:  
Hello,

I am the treasurer of the English/Hunt Seat Equestrian Team and we need to reallocate some funds within our account. Since the Western team has merged with us for this season, we have recently taken over their budget to account for expenses incurred by their members. This was approved by Senate last semester. As of February 12th, the Western funds were transferred into our account, but we need to move them around so that we can use them for upcoming competitions and other expenses because their budget was structured differently from ours. Since the remainder of our competitions this season will be taking place locally, we need to move all \$1,971.54 from #57003 Lodging into #58005 Dues & Memberships, as well as \$1,313.00 of the \$1,713.00 from #57001 Travel into #57007 Registration Fees. We do have a competition in Madison next weekend, and need to request the check to cover our expenses for that as soon as possible, so the sooner we can move these funds the better.

Thank You!