

Ripon College Student Senate

Agenda for Wednesday October 28th, 2015

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Old Minutes
- III. Committee Reports
 - A. Secretary Valdez
 - B. Treasurer Grinde
 - C. Vice President Hince
 - D. President Brixius
 - 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
 - A. Enactus Intent to Organize
 - B. Love Your Melon Club Intent to Organize
- V. New Business
 - A. Chemistry Department One Fund Request
 - B. Pre-Law Society Constitutional Revisions
- I. Announcements
- II. Open Forum
- III. Adjournment

Ripon College Student Senate

Minutes for Wednesday October 14th, 2015

- I. Call to Order
 - 6:30PM
- II. Approval of Old Minutes
- III. Committee Reports
 - A. Secretary Valdez
 - None
 - B. Treasurer Grinde
 - The One Fund stands at \$56,597.64
 - C. Vice President Hince
 - None
 - D. President Brixius
 - A reminder to the Senators to please e-mail your constituents every week informing them on what is happening in Student Senate and asking for their feedback. There have been complaints that that isn't happening.
 - E. Dean Ogle
 - Chalking on campus is not allowed without strict permission from Dean Ogle. The campus, as a tax free institution, can not endorse anyone or anything so chalking can only be for promotional purposes on campus.
 - F. What's Up With Your Group
 - None
 - G. One Fund Talk Back
 - None
 - H. Student Activities Report
 - None
 - I. Miscellaneous Committees
 - None
- IV. Old Business
 - None
- V. New Business
 - A. Enactus Intent to Organize
 - A non-profit organization that uses business to better society.
 - Enactus has done multiple projects on campus in the past and have many planned for this year.
 - Enactus went from a Student Senate organization two years ago and then switched to the Center for Social Responsibility last year, but the Center for Social Responsibility can no longer support us so we would like to become a Student Senate organization again.
 - The group will need a budget in order to operate, and next week will bring in a rough estimate of how much money they will need.

- They want to restart Enactus and are aware that we will have to One Fund for two years before getting the budget we want.
- The group does not fundraise but instead does partnerships with businesses in order to boost their projects.
- The fundraising that Enactus and Love Your Melon do is a special kind of fundraising that is for a cause and will not benefit the clubs monetarily. Traditionally this is not allowed but if the senators pass their intent to organize then the exec board will revisit the gray area issue.
- Enactus is a perfect example of a group that uses what you learn in the classroom and applies it extracurricularly.
- Enactus at one time was a very strong group that did a lot of competing around the nation and won lots of awards.
- Currently in Enactus there are 10 members, and the current status of the group isn't really that strong but it has a lot of potential.
- Enactus starts a lot of projects on campus and then once it can sustain itself we let it run by itself.
- Passed in the eyes of the speaker.

B. Quidditch Club One Fund Request

- Amended to make the One Fund request to be \$150 in order to round it out for any unforeseen expenses and to adjust to the fact that there is the \$100 budget for new groups.
- There are 50 people show interest, realistically there will probably be 30 or so people showing up.
- If possibly the group will buy yellow pennies or use them from the inter murals, whatever the case any extra money will be given back to Student Senate.
- Passed in the eyes of the speaker.

C. Sociology Club One Fund Request

- Using the \$425 to partner up with Professor Scott to put on a food drive, put on a panel, and show a movie to celebrate National Hunger Month.
- The panelists are ok with being paid the small amount of money.
- The events start the day after fall break and goes till Thanksgiving.
- Passed in the eyes of the speaker.

D. Love Your Melon Club Intent to Organize

- Main purpose is to deal with childhood cancer by taking visits to childhood cancer and selling beanies with proceeds that go to cancer research.
- The beanies will be sold online.
- Events on campus will be planned in order to promote cancer awareness.
- The club will not be able to run with only 10 members because there must be 10 members on "The Crew"
- "The Crew" is the group within the club that will do the hospital visits. There is currently enough students for "The Crew".

- The purchase of the hats will be done through the national organization and will be done online, Ripon College would not be responsible for this.
- Future budget will be for travel to Hospital and also to put on events.
- The goal is to not just reach out to Ripon College, but also the Ripon community because no matter where you are the hats can benefit this organization via the online purchases.
- In order to keep interest in the group the group will put on events that will promote the purchase and use of the hats through cooperation with other clubs on campus.
- Passed in the eyes of the speaker

E. Disbandment of Clubs

- Rugby did not turn in their forms and there has been no response from the president or any members.
- CRU's president has asked for them to be disbanded.
- Both were lumped together to be voted on at once.
- Passed in the eyes of the speaker.

I. Announcements

- None

II. Open Forum

- Remember to contact your constituents.
- Crimson has a contract filed for this year and are doing stuff they just havent filed their paperwork.

III. Adjournment

- 7:13PM

Constitution for the ~~Ripon College Pre-Law Society~~ ~~Pre-Law Society of Ripon~~

Article I: Name

The name of this Organization will be the ~~Ripon College Pre-Law Society~~ ~~Pre-Law Society of Ripon~~.

Article II: Purpose

- A. To work with the Ripon College Pre-Law advisor to support students in the study for the LSAT exam and in the search for information about graduate schools, ~~law schools to be specific~~.
- B. To provide speakers dealing with relevant law topics for the enrichment of the entire Ripon College student body and faculty/staff.
- C. To help get ~~Ripon College~~ Alumni in the field of law involved with ~~current Ripon College students~~.
- D. To allow interested students to travel to law schools and court cases throughout the school year.

Article III: Membership

- A. Any Ripon College student, ~~especially those~~ interested in the study of law, is eligible for membership to the Ripon College Pre-Law Society. To become a member one must attend a Pre-Law Society meeting and be recorded on the attendance.
- B. Any member of the Ripon College Pre-Law Society may withdraw their membership in the organization by providing an ~~written~~ ~~electronic or oral~~ statement of their withdrawal.

Article IV: Executive Committee

- A. The Ripon College Pre-Law Society will be led by an Executive Committee that will be elected by the members of the organization and will consist of four (4) members:
 - 1. President
 - 2. Vice President
 - 3. Secretary
 - 4. Treasurer
- B. If for any reason, any of the Executive Committee seats are vacant, these seats will be declared open for appointment by the Executive Committee.
- C. Each officer is elected to serve a one (1) year term. ~~No elected officers of the Pre-Law Society of Ripon can serve more than two (2) terms in the same position.~~
- D. Elections for the Executive Committee will be held in April of each year for the following school year. Nominations for each position will be made and can be brought forward by any member of the Ripon College Pre-Law Society. All members

(Executive and Committee and general members) will have a vote in the election and a $\frac{1}{2}$ majority vote is needed to win an election. If a $\frac{1}{2}$ -majority is not reached a run-off election will be held between the top two (2) nominees.

~~E. General members of the Pre-Law Society of Ripon will consist of all students who have membership in the organization.~~

Article V: Duties

A. Duties of the President.

1. To represent the Ripon College Pre-Law Society at all functions requiring representation.
2. To preside over Executive Committee and general meetings of the Ripon College Pre-Law Society.
3. To act as a spokesperson for the Ripon College Pre-Law Society and keep members informed of all decisions made by the Executive Committee.
4. To establish committees when needed.
5. To call Executive Committee meetings.
6. To cast deciding vote in the event of a tie, **excluding executive election votes.**

B. Duties of the Vice President

1. To follow through with the duties of the President with the President is unavailable.
2. To supervise and oversee any committees established by the President.

C. Duties of the Secretary

1. To record all minutes of Executive Committee and general meetings.
2. To coordinate all correspondence and communications.
3. **To coordinate and schedule all events and travel the organization partakes in.**
4. To maintain and update and accurate list of the Ripon College Pre-Law Society's members.

D. Duties of the Treasurer

1. To receive and be in charge of the finances of the Ripon College Pre-Law Society.
2. To work with the President and Executive Committee to set and adhere to the budget as assigned by Student Senate.
3. To submit a financial report at the beginning of every meeting.
4. **To be in charge of presenting in front of Student Senate for budget hearings and one fund requests.**

Article VI: Functions

Administration of organizational activities and other responsibilities of the Ripon College Pre-Law Society shall be conducted by the Executive Committee in conjunction with committees of general members of the Ripon College Pre-Law Society.

Article VII: Meetings

- A. The Ripon College Pre-Law Society will meet ~~once a month to conduct business~~ bi-weekly on Mondays at 6:00 p.m. and have Executive Committee meetings bi-weekly on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. alternate from the general meetings.
- B. The Ripon College Pre-Law Society president will have the authority to call additional meeting if required to discuss or work on projects and activities.

Article VIII: Advisor

- A. The Ripon College Pre-Law Society will have a faculty advisor who will act in advisory capacity and be available to the organization in any other capacity necessary.
- B. The Ripon College Pre-Law Society advisor will have the deciding vote in result of a tie in executive committee elections.

Article IV: Removal of Executive Committee Member

- ~~A. An Executive Committee member may be removed from office for probable cause or action detrimental to the organization, by a majority vote of the main body.~~
- B. Any student that is elected to hold a Ripon College Pre-Law Society executive committee position may attempt to resign during the course of his/her term.
- C. The Executive Committee member wishing to resign must state his/her reasons to the Ripon College Pre-Law Society in writing. The resignation may then be accepted by a majority vote of the Ripon College Pre-Law Society.
- D. If an Executive Board member's resignation is accepted, the remaining Executive Board members shall appoint an eligible student to hold the position. The President of Ripon College Pre-Law Society will send out a group-wide email notifying students of the vacancy, and call all interested students wishing to be considered for the position, to respond within 24 hours with their name and a brief paragraph detailing why they would be a good fit for the position. The Executive Committee will then appoint a student for the position. The appointed student must be willing to hold the position and must be approved by a two-thirds majority vote of the Ripon College Pre-Law Society.
- E. In the event of an unanticipated Executive Committee Position vacancy the remaining Executive Committee members shall appoint an eligible student to hold the position. The appointed student must be willing to hold the position and must be approved by a two-thirds majority vote of the Ripon College Pre-Law Society.
- F. In the event of the President's vacancy, the Vice-President will then take over responsibilities. If the Vice-President is unwilling or unable to take this office over, there must be a group wide election for this position, following the same election rules as previously stated. All other offices will be made on an appointment basis.

Article V: Amendments

A. All amendments to this constitution shall be passed by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the main body present. October 16, 2015

To the members of student senate,

Twelve students from the Ripon College Chemistry Department would like to ask senate to fund a trip from March 12-18 in San Diego, CA to present their research at the American Chemical Society's (ACS) national meeting. The aspiring students, including Nicholas Luedtke, Maggie Breen-Lyles, Allison Reinhardt, Sarah Conjurske, Jeffrey Grinde, Matthew Paeth, Eugene Schreider, Soe Tun, Emily Cliff, Lincoln Wurtz, Chuchen Tan, and Yessra Sankari, have taken part in groundbreaking research projects of which abstracts have already been submitted for consideration and review by an ACS committee. Partaking in the national meeting is a wonderful opportunity to present their research to an audience teeming with accredited scientists who can offer opinions to advance research and build networking for post-graduation endeavors. The connection between proper scientific research and the education Ripon College offers is important to advertise and the national meeting provides the opportunity to spread academic awareness. We would like a one-fund to pay the remaining \$4950.

Thank you very much,
The Ripon College Chemistry

Department

Nicholas Luedtke

Maggie Breen-Lyles

Allison Reinhardt

Sarah Conjurske

Jeffrey Grinde

Matthew Paeth

Eugene Schneider

Soe Tun

Chuchen Tan

Yessra Sankari

(currently abroad, but has approved the proposal)

Emily Cliff

Lincoln Wurtz

One Fund Request from Ripon College Chemistry Department

Purpose:

To send 12 Ripon College students to present their research at the American Chemical Society's National Meeting in San Diego, CA from March 12-18th.

This would send the following students to San Diego:

- Nicholas Luedtke, Maggie Breen-Lyles, Allison Reinhardt, Sarah Conjurske, Jeffrey Grinde, Matt Paeth, Geno Schreider, Soe Tun, Emily Cliff, Lincoln Wurtz, Chuchen Tan, Yessra Sankari

Cost:

- Plane: \$330 per person roundtrip: $\$330 \times 12 \text{ people} = \mathbf{\$3960}$
 - o Delta to San Diego, Spirit return trip
 - o Leave at 1:35 pm from Chicago on Saturday, March 12st
 - o Return at 8:00 pm from San Diego on Friday, March 18th
- Hotel:
 - o Western Inn, 3.5 mi from conference center: $\$130 \times 6 \text{ days} \times 3 \text{ rooms} = \mathbf{\$2340}$
3889 Arista St.; (619) 298-6888
 - Saturday March 12st to Friday March 18th
 - ACS Rate \$130 single/double occupancy
 - Complimentary Breakfast
 - Airport Shuttle
 - 5 min walk from bus station
- Food: \$72 per person: $\$72 \times 12 = \mathbf{\$870}$
 - o 12 dollars per day per person
- Registration: \$120 per person. $120 \times 12 \text{ people} = \mathbf{\$1440}$

Total Cost before covered expenses: \$7170

Covered Expenses:

- Funding for Yessra and Soe includes two hotel rooms: $\$130 \times 6 \text{ days} \times 2 \text{ rooms} = \mathbf{-\$1560}$

- Funding for Yessra and Soe includes two airplane tickets: \$330 x2 tickets= **-\$660**

Total Cost after deductions: \$4950

Relevant Literature:

ACS National Convention:

<http://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/meetings/spring-2016.html>

Flight Information:

Found by comparing rates, best flight from Travelocity.

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