

Ripon College Student Senate Agenda for February 27, 2013

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Old Minutes
- III. Committee Reports
 - a. Secretary Allen:
 - b. Treasurer Mikesell:
 - c. Vice President Davidson:
 - d. President Kiessler:
 - e. Dean Ogle:
 - f. What's Up With Your Group
 - g. One Fund Talk Back
 - h. Student Activities Report:
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 - a. Equestrian Team Additional Funds Request
- V. New Business
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- VII. Open Forum
- VIII. Adjournment

Ripon College Student Senate Minutes for February 20, 2013

Attendance Record:

Brian Fritsch- 0	Andrew Miller- 1	Amy Lindsey- 0
Anthony Tausig - 0	McKenzie Trelka- 0	Nick From- 0
Daniela Santiago- 0	Andrew Carballo- 0	Adam Orth-
Caroline Kordes- 0	Elizabeth Walsh- 0	Austin Oliver- 0
Alexandra Haen- 0	Anders Goodwin- 0	Peter Hayes- 0
Ben Ranes- 0	Kamelle Van Der Leest- 0	Rebecca Ramage- 0
Jennifer Keller- 0	Diakeishaye Murphy-Gunnels-0	Alexander Hagen- 0
McKala Kiessling- 0	Samantha Kay- 0	

- I. Call to Order
 - a. 6:30pm
- II. Approval of Old Minutes
 - a. Senator Van Der Leest: Move to approve.
 - i. Senator Walsh: Move to second the motion.
- III. Committee Reports
 - a. Secretary Allen: No report, just sign in.
 - b. Treasurer Mikesell: The one fund balance currently stands at \$16,103.07. For those of you who are keeping up and doing the math with me, you will say this does not seem like the right balance, but this actually accounts for recent updates and they are the most accurate numbers we have at this point. I went through and I pretty much figured out about the one funds passed throughout the entire year and deducted that from the original starting balance. There were some times when I didn't account for new groups starting, because when a new group starts they get a 100 dollar budget and that just comes out of the one fund. It also takes into account the Equestrian Team's overspending of their budget. After elections the budget committee meets and we need one or two or three volunteers from the student senate, who are not running for an executive board position. Your requirements would be to be at a few meetings after spring break. The more volunteers the better!
 - c. Vice President Davidson: No report.
 - d. President Kiessling: Student Senate Executive Board and Trustee packets are now available, encourage anyone you feel who is qualified to apply. Elections will be next Tuesday and Wednesday in the commons and I am looking for volunteers to sit for an hour or two during lunch or dinner, so if you guys can volunteer I would greatly appreciate that. It cannot be a person who is running because they have to sign off on the ballots. We are also looking for anyone who is interested in serving on the Education Policy committee, we recently had a vacancy, they meet once a week it would only be for the next month until the next election comes around for all of those appointments. We also have a vacancy as well on the Alumni Board, if anyone would like to serve on the Alumni Board. I will be making an announcement in open forum for nominations for the David L. Harris Award.
 - e. Dean Ogle: No report.
 - f. What's Up With Your Group?
 - g. One Fund Talk Back
 - i. Rumba: We just wanted to say thank you for providing us with the money for a great weekend at Salsa Congress, it was such a great experience attending this event. We brought so many moves back that if you want to see them you need to come to international dinner on April 14th. We currently in the progress of putting choreography together, so thank you again so much, it was such a great experience! Just so you know there was about 5 workshops an hour, 4 to 6 hours in a day where they had them, and we did divide so we made it to a good number of workshops, which we then video recorded the end performance so we could bring it back and work on the moves for international dinner. We want to involve the community as well so we plan on going to the local high school and middle school to teach moves and show what we've done in previous years as well and also the nursing the home, to provide some entertainment for people in there as well. Again thank you so much, and it was a pleasure to be at Salsa Congress.
 - ii. The Network: We just wanted to say thank you very much for helping us get the MBLGTAC conference. We met so many different people and there were so many different workshops in everything that we had to split up to go as many as we could and we learned so many different things from so many different workshops and actually met quite a few famous advocates, such as Ben Kowen who is an ex-english rugby player who quit just so he could continue with getting lesbian advocacy. We also met many other advocates and speakers that we would love to bring to Ripon College! So again, thank you very much!
 - h. Student Activities Report
 - i. Secretary Allen: Excellence in Leadership Award due February 25. Nomination forms are on the portal. Happy charter day to Alpha Delta Phi sorority. Darryl Davis will be here on February 28th at 6pm in Great Hall, come here what he learned from his journey into the KKK.

- i. Miscellaneous Committees
- IV. Old Business
- V. New Business
 - a. Amnesty One Fund (#2)
 - i. We came back with \$1155.50 and what we did was kick one person out and put 600 dollars of our own budget towards it.
 - ii. Senator Van Der Leest: Move to approve.
 - 1. Senator Walsh: Move to second the motion.
 - iii. Passes 16:6:1
 - b. Equestrian Team Additional Funds Request
 - i. Treasurer Mikesell: The finance committee of student senate, consisting of the student senate executive board, job after we found out about the deficit spending to kind of figure out what to do next and ultimately this is money that has already been spent, which is why the one fund is so much lower this week than it was last week. The finance committee, we used the constitution and the operating rules as a guide for what we should recommend, according to the constitution in Article 4, severe financial mismanagement should result in either removal as an organization or a budget of no more than a 100 dollars for the next year or whatever student senate decides. According to Article 3 of the operating rules, student senate funded groups are only allowed to make expenditures of budgeted items, they have to keep up to date records of financial transactions, they are not allowed to deficit spend, and if faced with a potential financial crisis, they are supposed to appeal to student senate for extra funds. Now normally the business office is supposed to alert me if a student group goes over their budget but they didn't, which is why they didn't know about this until they were almost 3 grand in the hole. That said, our recommendation to you is that they be penalized by not being removed as an organization because we think that is a little bit too extreme, but by financial probation. This probation would entail utilizing or appointing a treasurer, keeping accurate records of expenditures, limiting account access to only those who really need it, and next year they should get a budget allotment of only a hundred dollars, because that forces them, anytime they want to go on a show or do anything cool, to come to you guys to one fund for it and in that they need to be really specific on any of the money they need. We think by putting them on financial probation it would give them the punishment they deserve but at the same it would give them the opportunity to rebound and get back on their feet. But at this point you are voting on whether or not to allot them additional funds and again this is money that has already been passed so if you fail it, it really doesn't do you any good, but in addition to voting on whether or not to give them these extra funds, I think you should vote on what you decide to do. Ultimately this is a representative democracy; you get to decide what happens.
 - ii. Basically my team has been to four shows this far and the other teams have had their average amount. The deficit spending that we didn't realize about, our team increased a lot this year and it's bringing a lot of prospective students, so we keep growing every year and we didn't plan to allot for that within our finances, so therefore we went over, and because we don't currently have a treasurer, which is something we just found out this week, we held emergency elections, so we have a treasurer now so this never happens again. But since we didn't have a treasurer keeping track of that and then since there was a little issue with the business office, we didn't notice it until last weekend before our show and we had less than no money. That is basically everything and I think Dan summed up everything pretty well.
 - iii. Senator Van Der Leest: Move to approve.
 - 1. Senator Lindsey: Move to second the motion.
 - iv. Senator Tausig: Is there a reason why the equestrian team didn't have a treasurer beforehand?
 - v. I just came into it, say I can give you the best answer I can. But as a first-year from what I understand, it's in our constitution that we are supposed to have our treasurer and that just wasn't happening and we didn't realize it, because that's just how it always was but then after this happened we went back and looked at our constitution. It was on our fault for not following our constitution properly.
 - vi. Senator Kay: Why isn't the business office telling you or why would it allot for overspending? I feel like the correct way to fix this would be to freeze the account at zero, and not just for your club but any other club.
 - vii. That's what we understood should have happened but for some reason it was a glitch or something and it didn't.
 - viii. Treasurer Mikesell: I can speak on that. Yes that seems like that would make sense or the business office to cut them off, freeze their account once it hit zero, that didn't happen. It's actually in the operating rules that their supposed to tell me when a group hits zero but they didn't, so once we did find out about it, we froze the account immediately but it's a great question.
 - ix. Senator Miller: I have a question for you Dan, were all the members of the exec board active in participating with making the recommendation?

- x. Treasurer Mikesell: Yes, I gave them a recommendation, because I went through all detail before they did, but then after that we had a meeting and we agreed to this recommendation.
- xi. Senator Miller: Now I have a question for you, who is the president of the Equestrian Club?
- xii. The president of the Equestrian Club, because we are kind into a club and team, and club is just anyone on campus.
- xiii. Senator Miller: Like you have to fill out a form at the student activities office, who is the president listed?
- xiv. I believe Ricky is listed, because he is in charge of the club.
- xv. Senator Miller: What else is there then?
- xvi. The team.
- xvii. Senator Miller: Who is in charge of that?
- xviii. Myself, I just got in at semester, for the English and Emily is the western.
- xix. Senator Miller: So, the president of the student senate, has a conflict of interest, with this one fund, she choose to stay on the finance committee, not exclude herself.
- xx. President Kiessling: I think I can answer that for you Senator Miller. Again, Dan made this recommendation, I had nothing to make of this recommendation, they asked the questions, I remained out of it, I was just in the meeting.
- xxi. Senator Miller: Why didn't you remove yourself from the finance committee?
- xxii. Treasurer Mikesell: Although she didn't remove herself from the finance committee she essentially removed herself. She wasn't trying to push any sort of agenda, even though yes, there may be a slight conflict of interest, she didn't perpetuate that by getting overly involved.
- xxiii. Senator Miller: Well by staying on during this meeting, your showing conflict of interest, and especially when you lecture the senators, saying to remove themselves whenever there is a conflict of interest, you are a hypocrite and secondly this really falls onto you more poor leadership of yourself, by allowing the group to even fall into deficit spending. So overall, this is your fault, and you shouldn't even be sitting at that table right now, you are leaving those people out to dry right now.
- xxiv. President Kiessling: I disagree with that Senator Miller, but again, I am presiding over the senate, so do you have anything further?
- xxv. Senator Miller: Ya, you shouldn't be presiding over senate because you have conflict of interest. Plain and simple, you lecture the senators every week about removing themselves if they have a conflict of interest but yet you are sitting at that table still when Vice-President Davidson could be presiding over the meeting this week and that's what a Vice-President is for.
- xxvi. Senator Kiessling: Permission to remove myself.
- xxvii. President Kiessling: Granted.
- xxviii. Senator Kay: I would like to know what the difference is between the Equestrian club and the Equestrian Team if there are different presidents for both, because if there is difference from the club and the team, why would it matter. If this is the club coming to present, you are not the president of the club, why does that matter?
- xxix. So we are all technically on the Equestrian Club and then we have the English Team who goes out and competes on the circuit, the Western Team which competes in the circuit and then the Equestrian Club, which is open to them and everybody on campus who wants to go and ride, but not compete. It's an opportunity to ride without committing to going to the shows.
- xxx. Treasurer Mikesell: I think it's simpler to think of this all as one club, but even though they do have teams and it's complicated like that, for our purposes, it's just the Equestrian Club that is guilty of this deficit spending. So I think we are overcomplicating it when we talk about the teams and the clubs, because ultimately it is just the one club that is in front of us.
- xxxi. Senator Hagen: Since the funds are already being removed to compensate for the deficit, are we voting on the punishment or repercussions suggested?
- xxxii. President Kiessling: Yes, we are discussing that as well.
- xxxiii. Senator Van Der Leest: If we do go for the 100 dollar budget for next year, what will happen the following year? Don't you have to one fund twice before you can put it in the budget?
- xxxiv. Treasurer Mikesell: Generally that is the way it goes, technically that is not in the constitution, it's kind of the way we operate, but I think as far as next spring, 13 months from now, when you do budget hearings, I think then you can kind of treat it as if they have done one funds in the past. I think you can do whatever you have wanted then next year.
- xxxv. Senator Oliver: I don't know if this is possible but when most people fall into dept they have to pay it back somehow, so why don't some groups help pay it back in a monthly payment or form of payment? I mean things happen, and it's not totally their fault, but in real life you screw up, you have to fix it.
- xxxvi. Treasurer Mikesell: If that is what senate decides to do, I can't stop them, I'm not sure how it will work, I don't know if they have the funds needed to cover the balance.

- xxxvii. Senator Oliver: They took something that wasn't theirs so they need to compensate for it somehow. So I would make a recommendation that they would have to pay it back in monthly allotments.
- xxxviii. Senator Ranes: I think it's a bit pertinent to keep in mind that if were these different circumstances, we would have no issue giving the Equestrian Club funds like this, they have one funded for things in the past, not this year but in previous years they have and we discussed it found it to be an ample use of senates money, so I think it's at least something we can keep in mind that if this had been a one at a different time, it's something we likely would have passed, the money itself isn't so much the issue here, it's the actions that actually happened and it's hard to say who is at fault. If there is an issue with the business office not notifying at the proper time, I don't think you can rightly fault the group for that. It's a shame we learned of it when we did, it really is, but it happens.
- xxxix. Senator Walsh: One question is for Dan, so obviously this was a severe miscommunication between the club, the business office, the senate, everyone, have steps been taken to make sure this doesn't happen from the business office end again?
- xl. Treasurer Mikesell: I spoke to one the main ladies I deal with in the business office and I asked her in the future to tell me if a group goes over budget.
- xli. Senator Walsh: Ok, thank you. And the other comment is regarding Senator Oliver's comment, I think that if we are to put them on probation, we might consider that a type of paying the student senate funds back, because if they are put on probation for only 100 dollars for next year, normally in other circumstances they would have gotten much more than that.
- xl. Senator Tausig: How successful was the Equestrian Team this year with your events, a business standpoint, if we can get some background information regarding how that went.
- xl. For the first time this year since Jessica, the founder of our team, we actually have two people who are going to regionals this year and Katie is really close to making it to regionals. So we have three Ripon people out of twelve going to regionals, so that's really big. And also, with the team getting the team's name out, being a name for the college, we have 9 accepted students who are looking to be on the team, we have someone who has applied who wants to be on the team, and I've been working with admissions and I talked to someone last night and she is applying because we have a team. It's a really important thing that draws people in, because it's a really good thing for a college to have and they have been doing fairly well this year.
- xl. Senator Oliver: They are a very important group on this campus, they bring a lot to the table and they did screw up, and the one hundred dollars thing is pretty much destroying the advantage to coming here, being on the team, because, if I am right, it very uncostly for you guys to ride here? It's not as costly as other schools.
- xl. I know if you go to Madison, it about 3000 dollars out of your own pocket if you want to ride. I was looking in Kentucky and it they said it was a easy 3 to 4 grand, if you want to ride. In our district, I had friends go to River Falls, it's only 50 dollars which is less than here, however they pay their own show fees, so if they don't get sponsored, they can spend 600 dollars a year. And NDSU you have to pay 250 dollars to be on the team, plus their own show fees. So it's cheaper than most other places. It's very affordable.
- xl. Senator Oliver: I understand they can one fund every time, but that isn't a guarantee, so they can't tell the people that are coming that they can guarantee that they are going to pay for certain things. So by telling them they are going to have to pay back the money, they can assess that as new team numbers as a fee, and they can pay it back. I feel like this is the easiest way for it to happen, than making things extremely difficult for them and they can realize why they are paying things back.
- xl. Senator From: I got a question for the Treasurer, what is their budget?
- xl. Treasurer Mikesell; At the start of the year, it was about 5,300 or 5,400 dollars.
- xl. Senator Kay: So there was 12 people on the team correct?
- l. This semester there are 6 on English and 6 on Western. We also have some people studying abroad.
- li. Senator Kay: How many would you say of the people on the team came to Ripon for this Equestrian Team?
- lii. *Lots of people in group saying they did.* This is the only private college in Wisconsin that offers an equestrian team. I wouldn't look at the college until I knew it had a team.
- liii. Senator From: I have a question about the way of the process for the probation, is there a way we can promote a different idea to punish them. I was feeling the idea would be like, their budget of 5,400, I think maybe to be more fair, deduct 3000 dollars from their budget and leave their budget to like 2,000 dollars, still let them have some money but it still shows they paid back.
- liv. Senator Murphy-Gunnels: We are voting on just on this one the paper, correct?
- lv. President Kiessling: Correct.
- lvi. Senator Murphy-Gunnels: I know you are suggesting that we change it to accommodate whatever repercussion that would come in reflection to their budget deficit. However, is there any way we can just vote on this part and table the portion of the repercussion, because my group doesn't want me to vote on that part, they want me to vote on this part. Is that possible?

- lvii. Treasurer Mikesell: I think that makes sense since we should vote on two different things. The appropriations and repercussions.
 - lviii. Senator Murphy-Gunnels: Great, that was the only thing I need to know.
 - lix. Senator Walsh: So would that be a formal motion to table this portion until the next meeting?
 - lx. President Kiessling: This was just a recommendation so there is no formal motion currently on the table for this.
 - lxi. Senator Walsh: I move to vote table this until next week.
 - 1. Senator Ranes; Move to second the motion.
 - 2. President Kiessling: Is there any discussion on this?
 - 3. Senator Miller: I think the problem you run into when you separate this into two parts, is that you can use this first part here as part of a repercussion, like what he was talking about, if you actually did approve the 2,900 dollars now, then you wouldn't be able to take it out of their budget next year, so that repercussion wouldn't even be a valid option. So I think we should just table the whole thing until next week. So that way senators can just go back to their constituents, ask what they want, what they feel is the right way to punish the group and then we can come back and then we can come back and then we can hash it out then. So I would like to move this entire thing, until next week.
 - a. Senator From: Move to second the motion.
 - b. President Kiessling: Are you moving to amend the current tabling?
 - c. Senator Miller: Yes.
 - d. Senator Van Der Leest: What was the prior motion?
 - e. President Kiessling: Apparently we tabled just the part of their repercussions and Senator Miller has made a motion to table the entire thing. Senator Walsh, would you like to just withdraw your motion?
 - f. Senator Walsh: Yes, I withdraw my original motion.
 - g. President Kiessling: We will now begin discussion on Senator Miller's tabling of the entire thing. Since there is no one else, we will now vote on tabling this until next week, February 27.
 - h. Tabling Passes
- c. IFC One Fund
- i. We are putting on this event to prove we are not the animal house image that is often depicted. Last year the event was open to first-years and Greeks and it was a successful event, but we thought it would be better if we invited the entire campus. The tentative date would be the first Friday of the school year since it would provide a safe and social opportunity to expose new students to the campus community as a whole and various people, whether they be Greek or Independent. We wish to make this a great opportunity for all of campus because the school does not put on a large event its first weekend. We do not ask this money for our own gain but as an opportunity for us to give back to the campus and have a good time. We are willing to put in what we do have as an organization, to meet the costs. We hope that you will not think vertically and see this as taking money from the one fund but rather horizontally as looking at this as an investment in a campus wide activity. We hope you consider our one fund!
 - ii. Senator Van Der Leest: Move to approve.
 - 1. Senator Lindsey: Move to second the motion.
 - iii. Senator Ranes: One of my constituents had wanted to know, do you know how many people were at it last year, when it was open to the smaller amount of people?
 - iv. A safe estimate was around 400, it was a 3 hour event, we had about 12 tables, all the tables were full, Greeks and Independents. First-years came because it was sponsored by OC, we moved away from sponsoring with OC because we wanted to do it on the weekend and that first Wednesday is the official ending of welcome week for first-years. So we wanted to move it to a Friday, and a safe number would be 400, and the entire event would be the entire quad circle.
 - v. Senator Ramage: Wasn't this co-sponsored by Greek Council last year?
 - vi. We as the IFC have decided to make this our own project. Last year the previous president were offered a spot during welcome week and we came up with this idea and the various Greeks organizations of Panhellenic, IFC and Greek Council all have something they have to put on, one large Greek event a year, and the Greek Advisor decided that would be the event but now we decided we want to make this our own image, and we will still have a Greek Event with the other two organizations.
 - vii. Senator Haen: A lot of my constituents are senior and contribute to the one fund and they won't be able to enjoy the event. So they were wondering if you could possible one fund for it at the first senate meeting in the fall?
 - viii. Dean Ogle: I understand your question, looking at the data, the reality is the first senate meeting will not even have occurred in advance of this, so there really is no choice, but to one fund now. And the other part of it is, that in reality, the one funds for this, are going to come out of next year's one fund because it is going to occur next year. So the money won't be spent now, it will be spend in the fall. So it's really not going to come out of current senior's money.

- ix. Senator Walsh: Do you know approximately how many first-years attended last year?
- x. A safe number given the size of the incoming class, myself and Michael Crider, both on the exec board of the IFC, we were on the orientation committee last year, I think given the size of the rough estimate of the number of first-years that showed up, would be about 100. The 400 number, a bulk of it came from the fact 300 students were Greek, Greeks were down there the entire time with first-years trickling in and out, given sports practices were going on. Along with that, this was a recommended event during welcome week process.
- xi. Senator Walsh: What happens if it rains?
- xii. We would find another time or location.
- xiii. Senator Kay: If its open to all students, why do you expect only 500 to show up?
- xiv. It's hard to get people to go to events, it is sponsored by Greek students so more Greeks should come, there are also people who are friends of Greeks who are independent, first-years are going to be coming as well. As someone that plans a lot of these events on campus, you always expect more, usually I am told to be more overtly optimistic, where you guess that 50 people are going to show up and when 15 show up you are kind of disappointed. So I think we kind of low balled it just because maybe we didn't feel as optimistic the day we planned the one fund proposal. Numbers don't always add up, it kind of sucks. Also we didn't come near to running out of food last year, and we had around 400.
- xv. Senator Kay: My thought if 300 of them are going to be Greek and going to be there most likely and then there was already a hundred there last time which were freshmen, which I am assuming was because it was connected with welcome week activities, I just feel like 200 is a little bit below estimate. I don't feel comfortable passing a one fund that you might run out of food for.
- xvi. Senator Miller: I know they said that hey like excluded people last semester, but they didn't, I went there with my roommates, and it probably the funnest time I ever had this is definitely the best one fund I have seen all year, so you guys should pass it.
- xvii. Senator Van Der Leest: What is the time frame in which you are going to be putting this on?
- xviii. Last year it was a time allotted so that those who were in sports practices, we tried to frame it around them, not only because we had a lot of Greeks involved with football, soccer, and cross country. We had a of first-years that were very active in athletics this year, so that's why we choose that time.
- xix. Passes 12:10:1

VI. Announcements

- a. Senator Fritsch: Tomorrow evening from 5 to 6pm in the commons, the Art Opening Jamboree Enthusiasts, will be having a very informal dinner to engage interest for their upcoming groups and the show they are putting on. It's just going to be a table in the commons at the front, they will have a flag or a banner of some sort to draw attention to it. I encourage anyone interested to go.
- b. Senator Van Der Leest: The basketball team has its fan bus going to their event this week.
- c. Senator Walsh: EGOR is meeting in the Scott Hall pink lounge Monday night and we would love for you to come.
- d. Senator Kay: Amnesty meets at 9:15 in the mirror lounge this week, we will be celebrating our one fund passage.
- e. Treasurer Mikesell: And if you don't care about human rights, then come to the Young Americans for Liberty meeting tomorrow at 9:30 in the MLK lounge. You will totally enjoy it.
- f. Senator Tausig: WRPN has meetings every Tuesday from 4 to 5, we encourage anyone participating in the radio, or possibly DJing at future events that we may be holding, to come by and talk to us to see what we got going on.

VII. Open Forum

- a. Senator Van Der Leest: For next week are you going to have an explanation of the proposal for the Equestrian Club or are we just going to get the same sheet of paper again.
- b. Treasurer Mikesell: We can give you a proposal with our recommendation, but you will the freedom to deviate from that recommendation if you want to.
- c. Senator Walsh: I just have a clarifying question, Dean Ogle, you said something about the IFC one fund coming out of next year's budget.
- d. Dean Ogle: Correct.
- e. Senator Walsh: So that money isn't taken out of the 16,000 we have left?
- f. Dean Ogle: Any one fund that comes through, I think they have been taking it out when it has been approved. That is something you can talk about because most one funds still come out of this years, so that is something we can talk about as an executive team. Usually when orientation shows up here to get one funds historically to get comedy sportz the first week of school, that would another one conceivably that you wouldn't have to take out, since it is not going to get spent this year. Between now and next week, we can discuss it.
- g. Treasurer Mikesell: We can give you an answer next week to that.
- h. Senator Keller: When I email my constituents next week, instead of just informing them of the Equestrian Team, there are going to be parameters where they can agree or not agree with?
- i. President Kiessling: Yes, we will be adding our recommendations on there.
- j. Dean Ogle: It does really matter that people sign up to help with the election, and it does really matter that the fact that you show up. There have been years where because there weren't two people at the

pole, it couldn't be opened, and there were some students that were really angry because they felt their opportunity to vote in the election was limited and in some cases it went so far as a J-Board case of mismanagement and you do not want that because mucks everything up and there is a time issue, so please sign up and it is really important that you show up so that when we say the poles are open from this time to then, students can plan on that when they come to vote. And don't leave early, because that was the biggest concern where some students said nobody was there after you said it was going to be at that time. In some of those cases they may have assumed, oh, no one is here, so let's pack up and go. You don't want to be the subject of some sort of inquiry about a flawed election, because it will happen between now and next Wednesday.

- k. President Kiessling: I will also send out a reminder for all of you who signed up.
- l. Senator Van Der Leest: The one fund we have right now, is that completely accurate, or did you take out the Equestrian Team money?
- m. Treasurer Mikesell: I took out the Equestrian money, that is why it was around 19,000 before.
- n. Senator Van Der Leest: So technically it is still around 19,000 because we didn't give them the money?
- o. Treasurer Mikesell: Technically it is at around 16,000 because the money has already been taken out.
- p. Senator Miller: I would like to ask you to personally remove yourself from the meeting next week as a conflict of interest.
- q. President Kiessling: I will consider it but since I am a non-voting member of the senate, I just run the meetings, I don't see a point in removing myself, I am a member of the team certainly. I am a non-voting member, I am not going to sway your opinion either way, I am not going to comment on it.
- r. Senator Miller: You have commented on other things before, so who knows.
- s. President Kiessling: I can assure you Senator Miller.
- t. Senator Milller: Also you didn't remove yourself from the finance committee so you have already shown you are willing to make that conflict of interest.
- u. President Kiessling: Also, before you guys pack up, we need to take nominations for the David L. Harris Award.
- v. Senator Ranes: Can I nominate multiple people?
- w. President Kiessling: Yes.
- x. Nominated individuals:
 - i. Honey Zaw
 - ii. Lauri Schroeder
 - iii. Tyler Knowles
 - iv. Ben Ranes
 - v. Jaquita Hawthorne
 - vi. Maria Johnson
 - vii. Emily Kiessling
 - viii. Elexis Nemechek
 - ix. Paul Mueller
 - x. Kyler Crombie
 - xi. Matthew Rohrbeck
 - xii. Amanda Miller
 - xiii. Sam Poulette
- y. Senator Miller: If there is a tie on student senate, then it goes to you and you make the decision, so I once again would ask you to remove yourself from next week's meeting.
- z. Dean Ogle: For those of you who have nominated somebody, please come prepared next week to say a few remarks because other might not know some of the people. We don't want to have a five minute thing for each person, but just a little bit of, I did this because there are involved in this, this and this. So please be prepared so we can get through that fairly quickly.
- aa. President Kiessling: The way we are going to run this next week is we'll do a ballot and everybody will vote for their top 3 and then we will go from there and vote for our top one.

VIII. Adjournment

- a. Senator Van Der Leest: Move to adjourn.
 - i. Senator Lindsey: Move to second the motion.

IX. 7:24pm