

# Ripon College Student Senate Agenda for March 27, 2013

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- III. Committee Reports
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  - b. Treasurer Soich:
  - c. Vice President Hayes:
  - d. President Mikesell:
  - e. Dean Ogle:
  - f. What's Up With Your Group
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# Ripon College Student Senate

## Minutes for March 20, 2013

### Attendance Record:

Brian Fritsch- 1	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 is \$21,136.58. Next week is just a normal senate meeting in here, but the week after that we are going to be in the Dahm Heritage Room right next to the commons. That meeting is going to be at 6pm, not 6:30pm.
  - c. Vice President Davidson: No report.
  - d. President Kiessling: Welcome back from Spring Break, as you know this is the last meeting with our Executive Board and next week you will guys will have a bunch of fresh faces! So get excited!
  - e. Dean Ogle: I just wanted to say thank you to the Exec Board that's been here, it's obviously elected but volunteer position; and it's time consuming and I appreciate everything you have done for the broader college community!
    - i. *Clapping!*
  - f. What's Up With Your Group?
    - i. WRPN: Last night we hosted a scotch musician, Scott Nicole, in the pub. We had probably about 20 students and an equal amount of people outside of the college. We had a handful of community members and a handful of what he called his entourage. We also have recently been hosting a couple of union parties and we will be providing the music for the Greek Union party that is this upcoming weekend. There is also a one fund that you will be seeing from WRPN shortly for purposes of bettering union parties and things of that nature.
  - g. One Fund Talk Back
    - i. BSU: We are here to do our one fund talk back for black history month. We did percussion ensemble and asked for 1500 dollars and that turned out really well for the people who did attend. We are looking in the future to have it in a better location since Demmer might be a little far. They really enjoyed the campus. We also used some of the money to feed Daryl Davis when he came and we also had a DJ come in for the union party we had during Black History Month.
  - h. Student Activities Report
    - i. Miscellaneous Committees
- IV. Old Business
- V. New Business
  - a. SIFE One Fund
    - i. We just found out two weeks ago that this is the last time we can actually ever go to regionals because SIFE is getting rid of regionals. So it's an opportunity that's very limited. Now instead of regionals, everyone goes to nationals later in the year. But we still very excited to hopefully bring some of our new members in who haven't had a chance to go to a presentation and attend. We are asking senate to cover our transportation, hotel and food. We tried to limit our expenses on our students as much as possible so that way more can go.
    - ii. Senator Van Der Leest: Move to approve.
      1. Senator Walsh: Move to second the motion.
    - iii. Senator Van Der Leest: How many students are going?
    - iv. We are hoping to bring two full vans worth. We have six presenters that have to go. Right now we don't have a solid number. We are hoping at least 12 to 14.
    - v. Senator Van Der Leest: So why would the other 6 to 8 people be going than?
    - vi. The biggest thing is that there are other presentations going on that a lot of other students go and watch and partake in. Schools from all over the area go and they present and we can go and watch. One thing we learned about it is that we learn new project ideas and different ways we can collaborate within our groups to hopefully not just the Ripon community but communities of outreach. The other reason we need people other than

presenters is because we need people help run our own tech we bring with us, as well as pass out our annual reports.

vii. Senator Tausig: How many members do you have currently in SIFE?

viii. 25.

ix. Passes 20:0:1

b. Student Senate Operating Rules Amendments

i. This amendment we are suggesting be made to the student senate operating rules are something we discussed in CSO. There is only one thing that I would like to have you guys amend to help clarify what we mean. Under number 7, after it say within a period of three senate meetings, if we can include "after the usage of the requested funds." Other than that, if you have any other questions, let me know!

ii. Senator Van Der Leest: Move to approve.

1. Senator Walsh: Move to second the motion.

iii. Senator Walsh: Move to amend number 7 to read what the presenter stated earlier.

1. Senator Van Der Leest: Move to second the motion.

2. Friendly: Yes.

3. Senator Kay: Where did the 20 dollar number come from?

4. That was a number we kind of just decided to pick, we wanted to pick a number that would be a punishment to groups but we didn't want it to include a number that was so big it wouldn't affect groups with a 100 dollar budget. It's kind of an arbitrary number in some regards.

5. Senator Kay: Did you consider having a percent so that it would affect all groups the same way?

6. That was something that we discussed but we thought it would just be easier if we put an exact number in.

7. Senator Walsh: If this was approved and voted yes, when would this go into effect?

8. This wouldn't apply until next year.

9. Senator Walsh: So you are saying no deductions would happen until next year?

10. Yes that is correct.

11. Senator Walsh: What would the follow up procedure be?

12. It's kind of up to the CSO president and Vice-President of Student Senate but largely it has been up to the group's leader to contact us, as in we made the information available to them at the meeting and if they are unable to make that meeting, they should let us know.

13. Senator Walsh: My only thing is that if they are ignoring emails about CSO meetings in the first place, then if they were to receive an email saying that you missed the CSO meeting and we are going to dock you 20 dollars then there is a good chance they might ignore that as well. Would there be a way to work that in?

14. As a response system?

15. Senator Walsh: Yes.

16. So you want to include an email as a notification.

17. Senator Walsh: Not even an email. If we could put in how we are going to notify then I would like that.

18. I would open to any suggestions on how you would want to word that.

19. Senator Walsh: You could send an email asking for a face to face meeting, to say this is what, why, and make sure it doesn't happen again. I like the idea of putting that in because different groups of leaders on exec boards in CSO vary from year to year.

20. Senator Murphy-Gunnels: A suggestion to what you have to say Liz is that maybe sent them a letter and put that in their box at student activities. I think that is a lot more formal and classier.

21. Treasurer Mikesell: I agree there has to be a process, that the CSO president uses to alert groups that aren't showing up and aren't reading emails and stuff. Though we could put that in here specifically what that process has to be, I think if the VP of senate works with the President of CSO and goes through this process and makes sure that is what they do, I just don't know if that has to be in the senate operating rules.

22. Senator Oliver: I think that would create unnecessary bureaucracy that we don't need. I think it's implied that they need to do something, it is their job. I think if there needs to be something added, it should be added what the Treasurer should do in here because it ultimately falls on him or her on what they do with the funds.

23. Passes 18:2:1

iv. Passes 18:3:0

c. Ripon College Democrats Constitutional Revisions

i. We just want to update our constitution. What happened with our old one is that it has not been ratified since 2001. So it is long overdue for these changes and in many ways it is much easier to rewrite the whole thing.

- ii. Senator Van Der Leest: Move to approve.
      - 1. Senator Walsh: Move to second the motion.
    - iii. Passes 18:1:1
  - d. CDW One Fund
    - i. We are trying to go to the College Democrats of Wisconsin convention this year. It's April 5<sup>th</sup> through April 7<sup>th</sup> at the Concourse Hotel in Madison. I think the last time we went to this convention was six years ago, so it is long overdue. I would like to make a few clarifications though, I made a few typos on this. In the first sentence we are not asking for 209 dollars and if you turn to the second page, since I submitted this, we have received 209 dollars from the Fond Du Lac Country Democrat Party to help cover some of our expenses. So if you could change 218 under room to 9 dollars, that would be great. The last change would be that we were unable to get a school car, so we would be charged at 40 cents a mile instead of 20. So the travel would be changed to 84 dollars. For a grand total of 258 dollars.
    - ii. Senator Ramage: Move to approve.
      - 1. Senator Van Der Leest: Move to second the motion.
    - iii. Senator Ranes; I move to amend the one fund to what the Nathan just said.
      - 1. Senator Walsh: Move to second the motion.
      - 2. Friendly: Yes.
      - 3. Passes 17:1:1
    - iv. President Kiessler: We will now begin discussion on the new one fund.
    - v. Senator Van Der Leest: I move to table this on e fund until the next meeting since we are just find out about this information.
      - 1. Senator Miller: Move to second the motion.
      - 2. Friendly: No.
      - 3. Senator Van Der Leest: They still have two senate meetings to come back so I don't see why it would be a problem until next week.
      - 4. Senator Walsh: I agree it should have been proof read more carefully but because it ends up being less, I don't think it would be that big of a deal.
      - 5. Senator Kay: I think it's not that big of a difference and if you were originally planning on voting on it, you should still vote yes.
      - 6. Senator Oliver: I don't think should keep on setting the precedence that people should come back every time they get voted no, I don't see the point of that.
      - 7. Senator Miller: Is it going to hurt you guys if we table it for a week.
      - 8. Yes and no, early registration is going to end soon, so the cost of that would go up ten dollars per person.
      - 9. Senator Miller: When does that end?
      - 10. I don't know the exact date, but I think it is sometime this week.
      - 11. Senator Miller: I mean won't you guys have to sign up anyways right now and then if you give 15 bucks per person, it's not a really big loss individually. You lose 15 if you don't get it and you come back next week, it's not a big loss on the individual's part.
      - 12. Senator Ranes: If we were to table this and registration fees did go up, next week would you request more to get that extra money?
      - 13. It would be an extra 10 dollars per person.
      - 14. Senator Ranes: So an extra 30 dollars, would you want that if you to table that until next week?
      - 15. Yes.
      - 16. Senator Murphy-Gunnels: So if we table it, would that affect you getting your rooms?
      - 17. We've already reserved the rooms, I used my own personal credit cards.
      - 18. Senator Murphy-Gunnels: So this is affecting your credit?!
      - 19. Basically we received the funds from the Fond Du Lac democrat party, so it's not going to hurt me or anything but my card is on file.
      - 20. Senator Miller: Basically you can just register now and come back next week and then if the possibility were to come up, you can just amend the one fund.
      - 21. Senator Kay: Or we can just vote on it now and then we don't have to have them come back next week or if it fails then they do.
      - 22. Senator Van Der Leest: You made a couple huge numerical problems so I think maybe we should just handle it so that maybe next time you take that three minutes to look it over before senate.
      - 23. Senator Oliver: I think this is a really good opportunity for us to exercise the tabling instead of turning people down and giving students on campus a bad interpretation of the senate for being scary when coming here. If we table it and come back and everyone talks to their constituents instead of just turning them down. It makes it a lot easier for everyone.
      - 24. Senator Santiago: What is the total?
      - 25. President Kiessler: We are voting on the 258 dollars.
      - 26. Fails 6:11:3
    - vi. President Kiessler: The tabling fails, we will now continue the discussion of the amended one fund of 258 dollars.

- vii. Senator Walsh: I think this is a cheap way to get people involved in the liberal arena. I think whatever party it is, it is also good to encourage political activism.
- viii. Passes 13:6:1

VI. Announcements

- a. Senator Walsh: EGOR meeting in the Scott Hall formally Pink Lounge at 9:30. You are all welcome to come.
- b. Treasurer Mikesell: On Friday evening at 5:30pm in the Dahm Heritage Room, Young Americans for Liberty is hosting an event called the American Dream. We will be watching a short film. It is about a half hour long, it's actually really funny and you will also learn something about the Federal Reserve.
- c. Senator Van Der Leest: On the Friday and Saturday of Spring Break we had two student athletes go to nationals. Corey is a senior and he took 11<sup>th</sup> in the 800 and Jennifer took 1<sup>st</sup> in high jump. She is the first woman track and field national champion, so if you see her give her a thumbs up!
- d. Senator Ranes: Tomorrow at 8pm, in the college days office, we will be having a College Days meeting where we will be discussing the issue that just came out today. It's a chance to share your views and thoughts on this past issue, as well as the chance to meet some Alumni of the college days because we have been having Alumni come to Thursday meetings. So that will be fun!
- e. Vice-President Davidson: This Friday, Saturday, and Sunday we are going to have some guests on campus, they are students from Fisk University in Tennessee, historically an all black college. They are here just to kind of see how we do things and vice versa. So eventually we will head down there to see how they run their school, please be courteous to our guests!

VII. Open Forum

- a. President Kiessling: Does anyone have any open forum comments? Well it was pleasure serving with you guys and I will see you next week to hand off the gavel!

VIII. Adjournment

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