Ripon College Student Senate
Agenda for September 12, 2012

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Ripon College Student Senate Minutes for September 5, 2012

I. Call to Order
   a. 6:30pm

II. Approval of Old Minutes
   a. Senator Hopewell: Move to approve.
   i. Senator Koch: Move to second the motion.

III. Committee Reports
   a. Secretary Allen: No report, just please sign in.
   b. Treasurer Mikesell: The one-fund stands at $87,932.20. Last year we started with a one-fund of $96,965, and last year we ended with $38,000.
   c. Vice President Davidson: No report for today.
   d. President Kiessling: I would just like to go around the room and have everybody say their name and what area they are representing.
   e. Dean Ogle: Welcome everybody! We got a lot of work to do during the year and I hope you will be all active participants. For those of you that are new, a spirited process took place in the summer where groups were given money they thought they needed, so all recognized groups on campus have a budget. The One-Fund then is to supplement something they didn’t anticipate, to allow outside groups that aren’t organized who want to do something for the campus, or something that was unanticipated or not allowed in a budget. On another note, it is important that you be prudent and be careful with limited amounts of money. At the same time we are here to supplement the monies going on at the college and provide an active student life. I always feel the money is there for a purpose, you pay for it with your activity so I think it makes some sense to put it to good use. It’s nice to have the funds rollover for the next year but not to the point of excluding things that would really benefit the college. As a reminder, there will be issues that will come up, where you might be a member, but I ask you to vote on the merits as a personal point. It’s really disappointing if you vote is based solely on affiliation or non-affiliation with that group. For a rundown of the college, we are ultimately run by a board of trustees of about 40 people. They oversee everything and their primary goal is to hire and evaluate a president. A president then says, I need an executive team so he hires vice-presidents, one of which I happen to be, and then they hire directors. Budget wise, essentially for us to operate as a college, 75% of the budget that makes the college work comes from the fees you pay. 10% comes from the annual fund, where phonathon calls and asks for contributions. Another 10% we take from the endowment, which is like a savings account, and you can only draw about 5% out of the endowment. Which helps offset your tuition and fees. And then there is 5% that the college takes in from its outside income. The last thing I wanted to share is some concern from the neighbors of the college that were concerned with some of the language and behavior. We understand that it is the beginning of the year but when people are coming back around midnight, 1 or 2 in the morning, we would really hope that individuals would be good neighbors and be disruptive. So I shared here and I hope you will pass this on to your constituents.
   f. What’s Up With Your Group?
      i. College Days: We had our first issue this past Wednesday and we have our second production weekend this upcoming weekend and I would like to remind everybody that if you have anything you would like covered, please send me or Deano Pape an email and we will make sure to look into it.
   g. One Fund Talk Back
      i. Student Volunteers for the Blue Mountain Project: We one-funded to go to Jamaica last semester and due to unforeseen circumstances we were only able to send three students. We have two of them here to share their experience with you.
      ii. We actually have some letters from the kids if you guys want to take a look at them. The kids in the community barely have anything. When you first arrive there are all around you and trying to tell you what they have been doing. When we got in the classroom they were so amazed that science had an application. It was amazing to feel like you influenced someone’s life. Now that I have been to Jamaica for a week I feel like I appreciate things more.
   iii. CRU: Last year we one-funded for a concert and a motivational speaker for the Sunday of Springfest, and we had a pretty good turnout. We had people from merrian and Oshkosh, and some community members. Our promotional speaker had been in prison and changed his life around, which sent the message not to judge a book by its cover and you can really do anything if you put your mind to it. Just wanted to thank you for the support.
   h. Student Activities Report
      i. The following organizations have not turned in registration forms as of 5pm today: CRU, Equestrian Club, Miss Ripon College Chariot Pageant, Paint Ball Club, Pre-professional Society of Medical and Health Sciences, Ripon Cycling Club, and SIFE. And SAO would just like to welcome back and thank you for the work you do for the campus community.
   i. Miscellaneous Committees

IV. New Business
   a. Temporary Removal & Appointment of Treasurer
i. President Kiessling: I would like to read Treasurer Mikesell’s resignation letter. He states “Members of Student Senate, I regret to inform you that I am resigning from my position as the Treasurer of Student Senate. I valued my time my time in your service and I hope to have the chance to serve you further in the future. Sincerely Dan.” He also stated that it was because of his soccer practice that he could not work around. We going to be voting first to remove temporarily remove him for the fall semester and then we going to speak with you again about appointing Sophia, basically as two separate proposals.

ii. Removal of Treasurer
   1. Senator Erdman: Move to approve.
   2. Passed 24:0:0

iii. Appointment of Treasurer
   1. Vice-President Davidson: The Executive Board would like to appoint Sophia Kaounas to replace Dan, she was the treasurer in the past year. We have seen some of her work and we know we can get some good work out of her. If you have any questions please let me know.
   2. Senator Erdman: Move to approve.
   3. Senator Hopewell: Move to second the motion.
   4. Senator Hopewell: Is Sophia allowed to be parliamentarian and treasurer?
   5. President Kiessling: She will not be parliamentarian this year.
   6. Senator Hopewell: Do we need to vote on it?
   7. President Kiessling: It is an appointment by me so it’s covered.
   8. Senator Ruedinger: I believe we should to approve Ms. Sophia as our new treasurer. I served with her last year on the executive board. I know she is phenomenal and can handle everything the position requires.
   9. Passes 24:0:0

V. Announcements
   a. Ripon College Democrats: The RC democrats are going to have a DNC watch party at 7 o’clock in the Scott Hall TV lounge. And everybody is welcome.
   b. Theta Chi: This weekend the Theta Chi fraternity is going to have its annual Frisbee golf. Go sign up, it’s going to be lots of fun; you get a t-shirt and Frisbee and hang out with some cool people.

VI. Open Forum
   a. Senator Murphy-Gunnels: When the Blue Mountain Project was here, I got the chance to go on a maymester to Jamaica and we didn’t do exactly what they did but I just wanted to let you guys know that you are sending them for a very good cause. The principle at the Penline School said if he had to allow anybody back it would be Ripon College students. He felt that we were very hard workers just by the representation that was there. Everybody there did really appreciate our help and the kids appreciated us being there.
   b. Senator Koch: This Friday at 9, Theta Chi is also having a red-light green-light party.
   c. Dean Ogle: For groups to get on the agenda for the next week, they are always required to have it submitted by this meeting the week before. Usually as the executive team is sitting here, they have a good idea what the agenda might look like. It is really important that you look on the portal, come Monday, so you have a chance to talk to your constituents about some of the things coming up. There are some decisions you going to have to start making and for those of you that are new, no one expects you to perfectly understand but it wouldn’t be a bad idea to look through your binders and the parliamentary procedures.
   d. President Kiessling: I just wanted to highlight that next week is going to be a busier night so don’t expect a quick meeting. I also think that everybody was very respectful tonight so let’s keep that going!

VII. Adjournment
   a. Senator Erdman: Move to adjourn.

VIII. 6:53p.m.