Ripon College Student Senate
Agenda for November 20, 2013

I. Call to Order
II. Approval of Old Minutes
III. Committee Reports
   a. Secretary Wedeward
   b. Treasurer Soich
   c. Vice President Hayes
   d. President Mikesell
   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. Cultural Diversity Club One Fund
   b. Student Secular Alliance One Fund
VI. Announcements
VII. Open Forum
VIII. Adjournment
I. Call to Order
6:30
II. Approval of Old Minutes
Approved
III. Committee Reports
   a. Secretary Wedeward-Only two things; make sure to sign in. I apologize for the minutes being late, I didn’t have
   b. Treasurer Soich
   c. One fund stands at $17,673.40. That’s an increase $1,135.00 from the English team giving up
   d. Vice President Hayes
      Yesterday last CSO meeting, all went well at the meeting, stressed importance of groups coming to What’s Up With Your Group? as of last week twenty groups still had not done a What’s Up with Your Group. There’s a few groups that had missed two CSO meetings, I’ve emailed them to not miss any
   e. President Mikesell
      Next week is last meeting, so keep that in mind. No meeting on November 27th. Due to formatting issues, so the SMAC revisions will be one item. We will also be adding another item in regards to the Arts Appreciation Society is disbanded since the president emailed us. Also, I want to clarify point of clarification should be used when you have a question of the process.

Dean Ogle
One thing to mention, we have had a pretty Campus Environment and Safety Committee has been active on campus, particularly with sustainability. One student went to city hall to allow composting on campus. Strong likely-hood of changing the ordinance. We are also looking at if you have cardboard separately, pretty good payback in recycling cardboard. Having a bailer for the cardboard for students and faculty to bring cardboard to be recycled. Decision by Christmas Break. Tri-Dorm toilets being replaced over Christmas Break for better water efficacny.

Van Der Leest: Why Tri-Dorms?

Dean Ogle: Its part of the renovation plans, Johnson had their toilets replaced this summer.
Schimdt: Ripon Outdoor Club we has an event before Devil’s Lake, and that will be our only event this semester. Next semester we will have skiing, and water rafting. Also here for QSA, we had gay history month, we had lots of Events such as safe zone training, and Rocky Horror Picture Show.

Sen. Tausig: Permission to remove myself
President Mikesell: Granted.

Anthony Tausig: Here for WRPN we’ve been going through a lot this semester, we had a neon vibes party which had a good turn out. We have nine DJ’s on constant rotate. We have increased in 3 exec members. We are looking forward to an event for next week, and other events for next semester.

Oli: Music Appreciation Society meet on Wednesdays 6:30-9:30, listening to current music from our professors and work on homework. Possible improv sessions since we don’t have anything.

Also here for the Blue Mountain Project, meeting Tuesdays at 9:30 now in Tri-Dorms, we are working on a fundraising event.

Emily Kiessling: Here for the English team, just wrapped up season we had three people become eligible for competition in regions.

Laura Mapes: Fencing club change time Tuesdays from 7 instead of 8 getting more people to come, and more advertising which has been a success.

Tacara: Elam Meet in Tri Dorms everyday except Monday from 12-1. Only change is adding more members to the exec board.

g. One Fund Talk Back

Emily Kiessling: English team had its first horse show, even though we were under budget we returned the amount of one funded back to student senate. We have another two members that are two points away from going to regionals

h. Student Activities Report

Secretary Wedeward: Keep submitting photos of what you’re thankful for to Studentactivities@ripon.edu.

Winners receive free Starbucks and there is a winner every day!

There will be an informational meeting for Independent women interested in joining a sorority on Nov. 13 in the Heritage Room from 6-8 pm

Bowling Night with Sigma Chi at Plaza Bowl from 9:30-11:30 pm November 13

It’s Guam Week! Come see Mastering the Art of Tinikling at 6pm in the Pub

Panhel Bow-making night in JML from 6:30-8:30 pm November 14

SMAC Responsible Beverage Training Course in B12 9:30am-1:30 pm Nov. 16

EGOR Fall Campus Clean-Up in Bowen’s Woods Nov. 16 from 10-11am

SMAC Cinema: We are the Millers in Bear Auditorium from 7-9 pm Saturday

All Greek Social in Great Hall and MLK lounge Nov. 20 8-11 pm

Deadline to sign up for Thanksgiving shuttles is the 18th!

i. Miscellaneous Committees

IV. Old Business

V. New Business

a. SMAC Bylaw Revisions

SMAC Constitutional Revisions

VP Hayes: Permission to remove myself
President Mikesell: Granted

VP Hayes: President of SMAC, its been long overdue to get Bylaws to get approved in Senate, its a long complex process to make corrections from scratch, we added some things, removed some things a few weeks ago. For some reason, it had highlights that don’t show up. Homecoming committee has been removed, rationale behind that is based on performance. Homecoming is now divided up amongst other committee. President has been elected than President chooses the rest of exec board, its kind of ridiculous since no other group does that, so we changed that to make it more democratic so all positions are elected.

Sen. Tausig: Did homecoming committee have any funding? If so, where were
VP Hayes: Homecoming committees in budget hearings didn’t get anything. If so, we still use money since homecoming committee is still a thing, members for that committee don’t have access.

Vote to Bylaw Revisions
Passes

b. Arts Appreciation Society Disbandment
VP Hayes: I have been emailing groups to come in and this group emailed me back saying is not meeting, and they have asked to be disbanded by us.

Sen. Van Der Leest: Do they have any money?

VP Hayes: They Had $100.
Sen. Keller: Didn’t they form last year?

VP Hayes: No, You are confusing them with Art Opening Jamboree Ethusiasts .

Sen. Oliver: Is their advisor aware of this?
VP Hayes: I haven’t been in contact with their advisor. The president of the group emailed me saying he was the only one in the group.

Vote to Disbandment of Arts Appreciation Society
Passes

VI. Announcements
VII. Open Forum
VIII. Adjournment
6:48.
November 11, 2013

Dear Student Senate,

As you may know, Las Posadas, a very special traditional celebration from Mexico has been a very successful event for the past 6 years. This event has been put on by The Hispanic Outreach and Learning Assistance (HOLA) and Hablamos at Ripon College for the Ripon community. This year, HOLA and Cultural Diversity Club will be putting on this well received event.

Las Posadas will take place the evening of Friday December 6th Christmas at the VFW. Food will be provided by Ocampo’s, as this has been tradition for this event. We realize how small the One Fund is this year and in order to keep costs down and still put on a great event we have cut down the amount of food we are ordering. Along with this, the Center for Social Responsibilities (the office in which HOLA is ran out of) has willingly put forth $200 for this event. We will be requesting the following for this event:

**Food and Drinks: $280**

- **Main Dish:** Tamales (60 Pork, 60 Chicken, 40 Jalapeño and cheese, 40 sweet)
- Pot of Champurrado $80 (similar to hot chocolate)

**Candy: $30**

- Mixed bags of candy- for the piñata and for small bags

**Utensils & such:** Covered by OCE

- Napkins, forks, plates, cups, candles (around 20-30 for singing procession)

**Decorations: $15**

- We will need a variety of colored tissue paper, paints and other assorted trims

**Total Requested: $325**

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Silva ‘15

Hispanic Outreach and Learning Assistance’s coordinator

Laura Savall 15’

Hispanic Outreach and Learning Assistance’s coordinator

Yessra Sankari 16’

President of Cultural Diversity Club
Secular Student Alliance One-Fund Request

The Secular Student Alliance of Ripon College would like to request a total of $368.72 to cover the cost of transportation and lodging of a speaker we wish to host at an event on 5 December 2013. The timing of this request comes as a result of difficulties with scheduling for the speaker. We did not want to request funds for an event that would not surely happen if the funds we secured.

We hope to bring Sunsara Taylor to Ripon College to speak on “Religion, Patriarchy, Male Supremacy and Sexual Repression.” She has been in debates with Bill O’Reilly, leaders of the National Right to Life Committee, and the Nation of Islam, and has made many nationwide tours to promote atheism, feminism, and emancipation from religiously motivated repression. While out-spoken about her views and willing to argue for them, she has taken the time after all of her events to discuss issues with students and audience members who may disagree with her about her views on religion and feminism. We fully expect that she will do the same at Ripon.

We will host the speaking event in the Dahm Heritage room, or another dining room in the commons, and use our own budget for publicity. Students will be invited to join SSA members and Sunsara for dinner and then to listen to her talk. We will also actively promote the event in the Ripon community. Given the importance and controversial nature of the topic, it is our hope that many students will be interested in the event and that it will allow for a more informed and intense discussion of religion and gender issues in America.

In the past, SSA has hosted many speakers who have spoken on various topics concerning religion and morality, personal experiences in atheism, and others. The topic Sunsara will discuss will expand that to areas the SSA has not provided a forum for on campus before. Previous events hosted by SSA have had varied attendance, ranging from about 15 people to 40+. We expect a reasonable turnout for this event similar to previous turnout.

Sunsara will fly from NYC to Milwaukee on 5 December 2013 and speak at our event the same day. She will stay at the Comfort Inn Hotel, and return to NYC on 6 December 2013.

Breakdown of costs:

Flight and rental car - $278.82
Hotel - $89.9

Total - $368.72