



A regular meeting of the 66th Session of the Student Senate was called to order at 6:06 PM on Monday, February 6, 2023, in the Dakota Ballroom of the Davies Student Center, with President Gaitan chairing the meeting.

Land Acknowledgment

“I/We acknowledge that the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire occupies the sacred and ancestral lands of Indigenous Peoples. I/We honor the land of the Ojibwe and Dakota Nations.”

Military Acknowledgement

“We acknowledge the sacrifices made by those who protect the physical and diplomatic safety of United States citizens and our affiliates. We thank military service members for their commitment to our country.”

66th Session Roll Call – 2/6/2023

Executive Board

Title	Name	Status (Present, Excused, Unexcused) (P/E/U)
Senate Personnel Director	Anakah Denison	P
Parliamentarian	Thomas Miller	P
AA Director	Sahana Suresh	P
Communications Director	Ivan San	E
ESM Senate Director	Josh Holness	P
Finance Director	Ben Johnson	P
ITC Director	Joseph Dokken	E
IGA Director	Hannah Kelly	P
SOS Director	Sydney McGuine	P
SOC Director	Bradford Heap	P
UAC Director	Zach Jacobson	P
Mascot Coordinator	Kyle May	P



GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
February 6, 2023
PRESIDENT GAITÁN
VICE PRESIDENT FARMER

On-Campus Senators

Name	Status
Samantha Consiglio	P
Solveig Dei	P
Austin Lallak	P
Benjamin Myszka	P
Brenna Strojinc	P

Off-Campus Senators

Name	Status
Jake Hicks	P

At-Large Senators

Name	Status
Livvy Argo	U
Mei Bean	P
Avery De Ruyter	P
Patrick Hill	P
Ben Hurley	E
Taylor Kaplan	E
Matthew Lehner	P
Katie Myszka	E
Vivian Ong	U
Allie Russel	P



Allana Valiente	U
Tristan Weasler	E
Rebecca Yoshino	E

Executive Officers

Title	Name	Status
Vice President	Brett Farmer	P
President	Rossellin Gaitán	P

Presentation

Entity; Topic	Questions
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Open Forum

Elizabeth TenBarge; Menard Center Talk, Free Speech and Student Government	Questions
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Misc. Notes:

- The Menard Center is co-hosting an event in the Ho-Chunk room on free speech and student senate
- Dinner will be provided
- Breakout sessions will follow on topics in student government
- The link is on Blugold Connect+, and please sign up sooner rather than later as they may extend the invite to Barron County
- This workshop helped change her perspective on student government, affected how she wrote resolutions
- Alex Morey is the same speaker as last year, it was a highly beneficial workshop
- Would highly recommend attending
- If you have any questions, feel free to reach out!

Approval of Meeting Minutes from 1/30/23

Meeting minutes approved unanimously.



REPORT: President – Rossellin Gaitán

Hello, Again Folks and Happy National Frozen Yogurt Day

This week was very busy, as I am sure you adjusted back on campus. I attended my busy classes, finalized a group for the Madison Lobbying Trip that is upcoming and set up some meetings about some important initiatives. Though I do not have much to report, it was a busy and stressful week. I look forward to my meetings with Admin this week and expect to see your faces at our guest speaker event this wednesday with Alex Morey Guest speaker next Wednesday, 5-7 pm. Make sure to sign up on Blugold Connect! Besides that, I hope that you are all doing well, and I hope to also see you on Wednesday at our table at BOB from 11-2 PM. If you can table during that time, please do; it would be great to get your faces out there and talk with folks!

I Yield.

REPORT: Vice President – Brett Farmer

Good evening everyone,

I hope you all had a great first week of classes and are starting to find your groove and rhythm for this spring semester! I spent my first week of classes getting back in the routine and starting all of my regular weekly check-ins with directors.

I have been working with Director San to make some last minute edits to our first Senate Sentinel to be sent out later this week, as well as finalize and prepare graphics and promotional materials for Student Senate at Blu's Organization Bash this week.

I have also continued to prepare for the Chippewa Valley Rally in just a few weeks with Director Kelly and will also be meeting shortly with her and Director Jacobson to begin planning the 2nd annual Dash & Bash.

Finally, most of my work this week has been put into preparing and outreaching for our upcoming vacancy process. I have reached out to many different departments, areas, and groups of campus to encourage students to apply for vacancy, but please, let me know if you have any additional suggestions for ways to advertise our vacancy application or to reach more students and demographics! Applications are open on Blugold Connect+ until next Friday, February 17th, so please encourage your friends or anyone you know that may be interested to apply before then!



I wish you all continued luck and well wishes throughout the semester, and encourage you to please reach out or let me know if you need support in any capacity. Take care of yourselves and check in with the ones you love. Thank you and I yield.

REPORT: Senate Personnel Director – Anakah Denison

Happy Monday all!

I hope you all are adjusting as we start our second week of classes! Last week I mostly was settling in, and worked on small logistical details to keep the chain of information running smoothly behind the scenes. I also attended *Cabaret*—props to Senator Hill for performing! This week I will be attending the Menard Center speaking event this Wednesday, and I encourage you all too as well—please consider this a soft requirement for Senate, if you do not have extenuating circumstances, I hope to see you there! I will continue to advertise the vacancy applications, and will soon be starting the Internal Affairs review of the bylaws. Also, BOB is happening this Wednesday! If you have some open time, we would love to have you at the Senate table to talk about your experience or how to get involved. This is a great way to be visible to the student body, and will count as an outreach hour! There is a poll in the groupchat if you plan on attending.

Also, office hours start this week, so if you have not filled out the Office Hour Collection Survey, please do so by tonight! If you have any questions, let me know!

And of course, the first person to turn in their report this week was Director Holness—congrats!

I yield

REPORTS: Board of Directors

Communication Commission Director – Ivan San

Howdy everyone, I hope you all had a great first week & are settling in nicely into the new semester. Last week in Comms was pretty quiet as I was adjusting to classes, but I did still post the new vacancy ads & entered some new Blu's Bulletin posts. My intern and I also started a new project called the "Senate Sentinel", look forward to seeing that in your emails shortly. As for this week's plans, we hosted the first Motivation Monday of the semester, finishing up printing for various ads and the tabling board for B.O.B. Good luck this week, Comms out.



GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

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PRESIDENT GAITÁN

VICE PRESIDENT FARMER

Equity in Student Matters Senate Director – Josh Holness

Finance Commission Director – Ben Johnson

Hi everyone, I hope you are having a good second week of the semester. This week there is not much going on in finance, and we will not be having a meeting. Instead, you should all go to Alex Morey, they will be speaking Wednesday night from 5-7 in davies. More information can be heard in Director Kelly's report. Again, no finance meeting this week, so first meeting will be held Wednesday, February 15th and more on that next week. Have a great rest of your week and I yield.

Intergovernmental Affairs Commission Director – Hannah Kelly

Hello everyone! I finally have a meeting scheduled! IGA will be meeting on Fridays at 2:30pm in the Pine Room of the Senate office. This week I have been keeping busy in meetings with Jake Wrasse to talk about the upcoming Chippewa Valley Rally which I will be attending with Vice President Farmer and Director McGuine. I have also met with Linda Presley from the League of Woman Voters to discuss future tabling to promote voting in the upcoming election in April. We will be tabling on February 14th from 9:30-2:30 I highly encourage anyone to come, as approved by our Personnel Director, this will count as an outreach hour.

Additionally Senator Bean has been doing some great work and will be working on a project throughout the semester to help out the campus pantry, if this is something you might be interested in I highly encourage you to either attend IGA meetings or help out senator bean in this amazing project!

And Finally, the Alex Morey Guest Speaker here this Wednesday 5-7pm in Ho-Chunk, you can come late, you can leave early. Even if you haven't RSVP'd yet we would still love to have you!

Again IGA meets at 2:30pm on Fridays in the Pine Room of the Senate office.

Q: Can you repeat the tabling times? A: February 14th from 9:30-2:30 at the Davies Entrance.

Information Technologies Commission Director – Joseph Dokken

Hello everyone!

ITC will be holding the first meeting tomorrow, Tuesday February 7th from 11:30am to 12:30am. This will be in the same place, Schofield 130. Please come see what ITC is all about! This week we will be recapping last semester and then looking ahead to what the roadmap for this semester looks like. I hope to see you all there!

Have a great week and I will see you on the 19th hole!

I yield.

Student Organization Commission Director – Brad Heap

This week the Student Organization Commission will be meeting on Thursday, from 4:00pm-5:00pm in the Cedar conference room in Davies 220. This will be the official meeting time for the rest of the



semester, so I hope to see you all there! As you may have already seen, I have sent out invites to all of you via Outlook about the Student Segregated Funding Fee presentations. The meeting times will be on February 22nd and 23rd from 3:00pm-8:00pm on both days, and both meetings will be catered as well (and before you ask, no, it will not be Sodexo). I encourage all of you to attend, as it will be an excellent opportunity to become a key voice at the table in the deliberation of these funds for our student organizations. Make sure you also check out BOB, this Wednesday from 11:00am-2:00pm, as there will be many amazing student organizations represented, especially student senate, so make sure to stop by for the fun. Furthermore, SOC continues to look to take on new and exciting projects this semester, so stop by at this week's meeting and see how you can get involved. In short, I hope you all are finding great success in your endeavors, and as always, take care, brush ya hair, and I yield.

Student Office of Sustainability Commission Director – Sydney McGuine

Hello everyone! This last week I was mostly getting my classes for the semester in order as I am sure many of you were as well. We also had one interview for the Communications and Media coordinator position, and another scheduled for Thursday. Hoping to have the position filled by our second meeting. Speaking of meetings, this week we will be meeting on the second floor of the library in the Writing Center. We will meet from 5:30-6:30 and hope to see you all there! Our location after this week will change to Onieda in Davies, but I will remind everyone of that next week. Also, on Wednesday the 15th there will be a showing of "The Human Element" put on by the Public Health, Environmental Sciences, and Sociology departments. "This amazing film examines the impacts of climate change through the lens of environmental photographer, James Balog, with a special focus on the implications of climate change for people and their communities." If you are interested, it will be in Woodland Theater at 5:30 and free pizza and beverages will be there as well! Again, this is on the 15th, and I encourage anyone to go! That is all for this week, have a great week two and I yield.

Q: Can you repeat the time/date? A: February 15th, at 5:30, in the Woodland Theater

University Activities Commission Director – Zach Jacobson

Good evening all,

I am so happy to see all your faces again and I hope you had such an amazing first week of classes.

This week in UAC we had our weekly meetings and Exec board training that went great! We are finalizing details for the winter carnival and you will see a UAC, Comms crossover at motivation Monday next week!

I also just wanted to remind everyone that as a senator you can serve your senate hours on any of the committees of UAC. We have films, late-night, concerts, and festivals and we would love to have your help



and input on any of those committees. Please reach out to me or stop in during my office hours to ask any questions that you may have.

For events, we have Nope showing this weekend in woodland, see films posters for all locations and dates! The Winter Carnival the week of the 13th-17th. Next week, With the 502's concert being on the 16th Thursday. Buy your tickets online now! We also may be looking for volunteers so if you really have an itch to help let me know. But buying a ticket will still be the only way to guarantee admission.

Please make sure to follow the UAC Instagram, Tik Tok, and Facebook to stay updated on what events are coming up!

I love seeing all of your faces, keep up all of the great work you do for all of the students here on campus, you are amazing and fantastic!

Academic Affairs Commission Director – Sahana Suresh

Hi all,

I hope you all had a wonderful first week of classes and are getting settled into the semester. Last week I was mostly focused on my schoolwork. I have scheduled a couple of meetings related to the projects I have planned this semester. I also worked on the SOC Segregated Funding application for my other organization BAMS.

This week, I plan on attending the Black History Month events which I strongly recommend you all go to. They're always very educational, and super fun, and the ESM directors and I will always be there if you want to see any familiar faces. This week, I also will be attending the Academic Policies meeting and sharing with all of you any information discussed. This Wednesday will also be my first commission meeting of the semester which is from 2-3 in the Pine Room located in the AIL office. If you aren't able to attend my meetings but still have any questions or want to work on projects, my office hours are Mondays from 2-3 PM and Wednesdays from 10-11 AM. Finally, I will be ending my week with a meeting with ESM Director Holness and Jodi Thessing Ritter in regard to improvements with the EDI certificate.

Once again, my commission meetings are Wednesdays from 2-3 in the Pine Room. Hope to see you there. That's all I have this week. With that, I yield.

REPORT: Special

Mascot Coordinator – Kyle May

N/A



Unfinished Business

Bill or Resolution	Title	Status	Vote Method
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New Business

Bill or Resolution	Title	Status	Vote Method
66- ,			

Personnel Matters

Appointed or Resigned (A/R)	Name(s)	Entity(ies)
Appointed	Sen. Lehner	Student Wage Rates and Practice Committee
Appointed	Sen. Consiglio	Instructional Resources Rental Committee
Appointed	Dir. Jacobson	Recreation Committee
Appointed	Sen. De Ruyter	Recreation Committee
Nominated	Dir. Heap	Dining Committee
Nominated	Brennan McCombs	Dining Committee
Nominated	Ben Calcutt	Dining Committee
Appointed	Sen. Hill	Student Organization Conduct Committee
Appointed	Dir. Holness	Student Misconduct Review Committee
Appointed	Dir. Suresh	Student Misconduct Review Committee
Appointed	Sen. Bean	Student Misconduct Review Committee
Appointed	Dir. Johnson	Student Misconduct Review Committee
Appointed	Sen. Bean	Academic Strategic Plan Advisory Group
Appointed	Sen. Strojinc	College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee
Appointed	Dir. Suresh	College of Business Curriculum Committee
Appointed	Dir. Jacobson	TEPAC



Appointed	Sen. Lehner	Emergency Preparedness Committee
Appointed	Sen. De Ruyter	Comprehensive Leadership Program Committee
Appointed	Sen. Strojinc	Petition for Readmission after Expulsion Tribunal - Ad hoc
Appointed	Sen. Hicks	Petition for Readmission after Expulsion Tribunal - Ad hoc
Nominated	Sen. Ong	Domestic Intercultural Immersion Committee
Nominated	Dir. Denison	Domestic Intercultural Immersion Committee
Appointed	Sen. Russel	Graduate Council
Appointed	Sen. Strojinc	Internal Affairs
Appointed	Sen. Myszka	Internal Affairs
Appointed	Dir. Heap	Internal Affairs
Appointed	Dir. Holness	Vacancy Committee
Appointed	Sen. Lehner	Vacancy Committee

Misc. Notes

Announcements

Person	Topic
Dir. Denison	The Honors Program and HSC are holding a Starry Night-themed event this Friday in the Dakota Ballroom, 5-8, all are welcome, food is provided! And I am in the process of getting info for the committees.
Sen. Hicks	If you or anyone you know would like to volunteer for the hydroponics, come see him or email him!
Dir. Kelly	Alex Morey, this Wednesday, 5-7, be there!
Pres. Gaitan	If you are thinking about exec board next year, all of us are open to talking in everyone and anyone about being on senate—please ask us! Q: Does that apply to Pres, VP and parliamentarian? A: Yes



	<p>There are a ton of events happening this month for Black History Month, this weekend is the Black Experience, she has the link if you want more info, or see the posters around campus!</p> <p>Reminder: For all the committees you have signed up for, please make sure to attend them, and if you can't attend, let the chairs know! Once your name is down, we expect for you to be present, it is your responsibility.</p> <p>Fireball is back, hosted by the GSRC, on Feb 24th and 25th, make sure to get your tickets soon, they are \$20 and they go fast! Reach out to Kallie Freid or one of us for more info!</p>
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Misc. Notes:

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:57 PM.

Minutes submitted by Anakah Denison, Senate Personnel Director