

A regular meeting of the 66th Session of the Student Senate was called to order at 6:02 PM on Monday, September 26, 2022, 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 - 09/26/2022

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	San, Ivan	P
ESM Senate Director	Blong, Maddie	P
Finance Director	Johnson, Ben	P
ITC Director	Dokken, Joseph	P
IGA Director	Kelly, Hannah	P
SOS Director	McGuine, Sydney	P
SOC Director	Heap, Bradford	P
UAC Director	Farmer, Brett	P
Mascot Coordinator	May, Zachary	E



On-Campus Senators

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

Off-Campus Senators

Name	Status
Josh Holness	P
Jake Hicks	P
Breanna Renslo	P
Meghan Wiercinski	P
Twyla Alix	P

Executive Officers

Title	Name	Status
Vice President	Johnson, Nicholas	P
President	Gaitán, Rossellin	P



Presentation

Entity; Topic	Questions
Director Farmer, Homecoming	

Misc. notes:

- Homecoming is happening the week after this
- 20's themed—posters are around campus with event details!
- Window painting is happening in Davies at 3pm; Student Senate gets a window! Windows are judged on several criteria
- Spirit Week is a week-long competition—we are not competing, but we are participating!
- Sunday, 7pm, there is a bonfire and the last info session for competition
- Wednesday, all the competitors compete as a team in several games—we don't get points but we can
 participate
- Varsity Night Live—one of the largest events, Schofield on Thursday, different format from past years, co-hosted by Singing Statesman, many acapella, dance groups performing, tickets are cheaper until the day of
- Saturday is the parade, meet at the courthouse, we have a truck, usually about an hour
- Last Sunday, we have Adopt-a-Block, where we walk around and clean up
- We have giveaways happening as well:
- Blugold Spirit Photo giveaway—post photos at events or showing off Blugold Pride, tag UAC and a winner will be selected at the end of the week
- There is an art competition happening, you can vote as well as submit artwork, we award the top 3 winners
- Follow UAC on social media, they will be posting what events are happening throughout the week as well, updates for weather, etc.

Open Forum

Entity; Topic	Questions
Misc. Notes:	

Approval of Meeting Minutes from 09/19/22

Meeting minutes approved unanimously.

REPORT: President - Rossellin Gaitán

Hello, Again Folks and Happy National Pancakes Day!

This past week I had my usual Director Check-In's, met with Associate Dean Jean Pratt to discuss further my project for a First Generation Student Handbook. Where she informed me about issues that she sees



frequently and how we can help come up with better solutions. I hope to meet with the rest of the associate deans soon. I also finalized some details on my introduction to the Foundation on October 7th, and finally, I was able to see the beautiful unveiling of the new Intersectional Women's Center on the third floor. It will provide programming based on educational and decolonizing gender content and help produce programming focusing on the particular intersections affecting women of color at UWEC. I am so grateful that we now have that space on campus, the mural done there by two UWEC students is so well done. Make sure to go check it out! Besides that, I have been staying busy in and outside of the office. I do have halloween candy and some fun snacks in my office if anyone ever needs any! Make sure to keep your eyes and ears open for homecoming events that are coming up as well. I am also so excited to be swearing in new senators tonight and helping give them a big welcome into our session. Other than that make sure to stay safe and go with grace.

I Yield

REPORT: Vice President – Nicholas Johnson

Good evening, everyone. I hope you all had safe and relaxing weekends. Last week I chaired the vacancy committee where we heard three excellent interviews. I am excited to welcome new Senators to this session. This week, the vacancy committee will hear seven more interviews, which I am very happy to announce. Earlier today I met with the Director of Athletics to discuss the memorandum of understanding between Blu the Blugold and Athletics. It was a productive discussion of what our actors needed, and what the relationship between the athletics department and the student body mascot should look like moving forward. This week I have several engagements to attend. President Gaitan and I will be meeting with Chancellor to discuss ongoing projects and what the next month or so looks like. We will also be attending the Board of Regents meeting that will be hosted on-campus this coming Thursday. Also, we have been presented with the opportunity to meet with Governor Evers, as he is planning on visiting this campus tomorrow. If you have any questions, please ask them now. Happy birthday, Senator Zimmerman. I yield.

REPORT: Senate Personnel Director – Anakah Denison

Happy Monday! I hope you all have been enjoying the fall weather. This week I conducted vacancy interviews and will continue them this week, and am excited about the interest we have in Student Senate! I have also been working on distributing the applications further throughout the University—let me know if you have any specific contacts, like club presidents/advisors or department heads that would be interested in distributing the application. I also made legislation templates which are available on the Senate BC+ site under Documents, so you can easily start writing bills and resolutions, so let me know if you have any questions or would like any help on starting legislation. Additionally, not all of you have filled out the survey for when you are attending office hours—please do so tonight or I will have to track you down because these hours will be posted publicly. Lastly, be on the lookout for Outlook invitations



from me for Senate engagement in Homecoming activities, as Director Farmer previously mentioned. I am also taking suggestions for decorating my office. Enjoy the fall colors, I will happily take any questions, and I yield.

REPORTS: Board of Directors

Communication Commission Director –

Howdy Ya'll, hope everyone's having a good Monday! Last week in Comms we streamlined the AIL and Comms Commission relationship, had our first meeting (which is on Tuesdays 5-6 pm in the Pine room), and started the media creation for our first Motivation Monday. Speaking of which, this week we will be finishing up preparations for Motivation Monday, the first one being next Monday at 12:30 in front of Davies, serving hot chocolate, lemonade, and granola bars! In the future, if you'd like to help table or know an org who would like to host let me know. We will also be starting the revamping of our various boards in and outside of the office, once again, if you have any ideas or would like to help, let me know. Other than that, we will be working on the next Blu's Bulletin. That's all from me, I hope everyone has a good week!

5 minute recess to deal with microphone issues—break at 6:17, reconvened at 6:22 pm

Equity in Student Matters Senate Director -

Hello Everyone,

Last week we had our first commission meeting! We learned about what students were passionate about and began creating ideas for projects in the future. We also met with the directors of MSS and the GSRC in order to start working towards our new ESM budget proposal. Rosa and I attended several orgs events including the LSA heritage month event, Women uniting and fighting, PRIDE, BAMS, ITSC, and ASA, and HSA! We also began organizing a round table discussion to give students the opportunity to speak about EDI on our campus and their experiences. I read a letter last Wednesday at a student demonstration per students request regarding feelings about admiration's approach to EDI. This coming week Rosa and I have plans to finalize our budget proposal, host the round table discussion, and work on recruiting for our commission. Speaking of our commission this week we will be having a round table discussion regarding EDI on campus during the meeting. I look forward to seeing all of you around in the office throughout the week and hopefully at my meeting too!

Finance Commission Director -

Hello everyone, hope your Monday is going well. Last week we had a great meeting turn out, and again my apologies for the issues with the teams meeting, this week it will be working. This is an exciting week for the finance commission, we are going have our first big meeting, hearing year-end balance appeals. We will be hearing from UAC, SOS, SOC and Inter-tribal Council and the meeting location has changed due to the board of regents coming to town. All conference rooms in Davies were booked so we are moving to Centennial Rm 2904. I hope to see you all there. Also, if you would like to join finance



commission or know someone who would be interest, please have them reach out to me, we are always looking for more members.

Information Technologies Commission Director -

I have been busy trying to get people involved and meeting with staff members for ITC. I also conducted a couple interviews for my intern, and I feel confident that I have found a great candidate which I will be letting them know they have got the position tomorrow. After that I will be confirming the new and final meeting time and I will send out an email to state the new and final time this week.

This week will consist of onboarding my intern, finalizing meeting times, and working with Kent on a few things.

All I have left to say is.. SKOL With that I yield

Intergovernmental Affairs Commission Director -

Hello everyone! As usual IGA is up to great and fun things. In our most recent meeting, we finished up with the Fall LPS which we all be looking at later tonight. We have also had the amazing opportunity to work with the League of Woman Voters earlier today where we helped students register to vote and gave them information about voting and who they're voting for! If you are in need of an outreach hour they will be back on October 6th from 10:30am-2:30pm, let me know if you'd like to help out! In our next meeting we will be discussing the passed version the LPS and assigning committee members to take on initiatives, and we'd love to have you all take on a part!

We also be going all in on the IGA "Get out the Vote Initiative" so if you want to help out make sure to be there! Tuesdays 3-4pm in the Pine room of the AIL office!

I yield

Student Office of Sustainability Commission Director -

Hello, this last week we had our first commission meeting! It was great to see everyone there and get to know each other and discuss some ideas for the year. We also discussed two proposals on the LEED Certification of the Science Building and on the LEED credentialling exams. If you would like to learn more, we will be voting on both this Wednesday the 28th, and then if passed they will be coming to senate the following Monday. Leah and I also met with Professor Jol to discuss Banff Film Festival for this fall and spring, more to come on that later. Hope you all have a good week and enjoy the fall weather and I yield.

Student Organization Commission Director -

Good evening,

This week the Student Organization Commission continued to work on our plan for the Student Organization Banquet and prepared for a presentation to the Finance Commission this week, which will be about the SOC year-end balance appeal. The Student Organization Banquet is set for November 1st, from 6:00pm-8:00pm and will be available for all Student Organization presidents to come. I am forming



a committee to plan for this event, so if you are interested in receiving more information about this event and would like to be a part of the planning process, please join us at the SOC meeting this week on Thursday, from 4:00pm-5:00pm. Other activities I have been involved in this week included a tour of the AIL office for a class at the university called Level Up, which is a class designed to help first year students get involved at the university and truly make their college experience one to remember. Anyway, have a great week everybody, hope to see you at SOC, and as always, take care, brush ya hair, and with that I yield.

University Activities Commission Director -

Good evening everyone!

This last week, we had another successful Cabin Show hosting Emm K, Emmett Mulrooney and Collin Bracewell in the Cabin Saturday evening. We also showed Shrek 2 in Woodland Theater because of the weather and continued finalizing Homecoming details.

In regard to my presentation earlier tonight, please do not hesitate to reach out to me, our adviser, or either of the festivals with any questions or for any more information.

This week, we do not have any events happening as we prepare for a busy Homecoming week! To finish, I suggest you all follow UAC on Instagram and Facebook for event information and updates and reach out to me if you have any questions! I hope to see you all at UAC events very soon, I yield.

Academic Affairs Commission Director—

Hi everyone,

I hope you all are having a wonderful week so far! How is it already week 4!?! That is crazy! My mind is still in summer!

But anyways, this past week has been a wonderful one for the Academic Affairs Commission! To start with I hired my intern, his name is Sai and I believe he will be a wonderful asset to AAC! He works hard and cares about this commission equally as much as I do! I'm excited to get started! Also, this last week all on Friday actually; I met up with 3 different Deans! Dean Heinselmann, Associate Dean Pratt, and Dean Manning. I had wonderful conversations with all three of them about my goals as AAC director, passion projects I would love to work on, and I plan on meeting with the three of them again very soon. As soon as I hit the ground running on my projects, I cannot wait to share them with you all and have you all involved in the process. I also have my meetings lined up with the Provost, Associate Vice Chancellor, and the Budget planner in the next few weeks.

We will be having our first AAC meeting this week! It'll be on Thursday from 2-3 PM in the Bader room (just for this week). Normally I plan on having our meetings in Council Oak. This week's meeting will be an introduction to AAC and what my plans are for this semester and having everyone in the commission acquaint with one another! I really hope you can all make it to the meeting!



That is all the announcements I have this week! If you have any additional questions, you can ask me after this meeting or anytime during the week!

With that I yield! **REPORT: Special**

Mascot Coordinator -

No report

Personnel Matters

Appointed or Resigned (A/R)	Name(s)	Entity(ies)
Appointed	Katherine Myszka	At-Large Student Senator
Appointed	Ben Hurley	At-Large Student Senator
Appointed	Vivian Ong	At-Large Student Senator
Appointed	Solveig Dei	Intergovernmental Affairs Commission
Appointed	Oliver Gibbs	Intergovernmental Affairs Commission
Appointed	Elizabeth TenBarge	Intergovernmental Affairs Commission
Appointed	Brenna Strojinc	Intergovernmental Affairs Commission
Appointed	Thomas Miller	Intergovernmental Affairs Commission
Appointed	Austin Lallak	Intergovernmental Affairs Commission
Appointed	Phoebe Pilon	Intergovernmental Affairs Commission
Appointed	Brad Heap	Equity and Student Matters Commission
Appointed	Sahana Suresh	Equity and Student Matters Commission
Appointed	Josh Holness	Equity and Student Matters Commission
Appointed	Casiaiya Keyser	Equity and Student Matters Commission
Appointed	Ivan San	Equity and Student Matters Commission
Appointed	Hannah Kelly	Equity and Student Matters Commission
Appointed	Anakah Denison	Equity and Student Matters Commission



Appointed	Sydney McGuine	Equity and Student Matters Commission
Appointed	Ben Myszka	Student Organizations
		Commission
Appointed	Sam Consiglio	Student Organizations
**		Commission
Appointed	Josh Holness	Student Organizations
		Commission
Appointed	Hannah Kelly	Student Organizations
		Commission
Appointed	Ivan San	Student Organizations
		Commission
Appointed	Rosa Gomez	Student Organizations
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Appointed	Mary Bolog	Student Office of Sustainability
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Appointed	Lydia Kistner	Student Office of Sustainability
Appointed	Kate Studt	Student Office of Sustainability
Appointed	Kate Ludwig	Student Office of Sustainability
Appointed	Jake Hicks	Student Office of Sustainability
Appointed	Erin Hansen	Student Office of Sustainability
Appointed	Emma Weidmeyer	Student Office of Sustainability
Appointed	Emma Gilkerson	Student Office of Sustainability
Appointed	Brad Heap	Student Office of Sustainability
Appointed	Annika Yoney	Student Office of Sustainability
Appointed	Anna Bus	Student Office of Sustainability
Appointed	Rosa Gomez	Finance Commission
Appointed	Maddie Blong	Finance Commission
Appointed	Anakah Denison	Finance Commission
Appointed	Josh Holness	Finance Commission
Appointed	Oliver Gibbs	Finance Commission
Appointed	Brad Heap	Finance Commission
Appointed	Hannah Kelly	Finance Commission



Appointed	Samantha Consiglio	Finance Commission
Appointed	Breanna Renslo	Finance Commission
Nominated	Ella Johnson	Advisory Committee on Accessibility Issues for Persons with Disabilities
Nominated	Sen. Ben Hurley	Advisory Committee on Accessibility Issues for Persons with Disabilities
Nominated	Sen. Zimmerman	Athletic Committee
Nominated	Sen. Zimmerman	Instructional Resources Rental Committee (Text Book)
Nominated	Samuel Fehlan	Student Misconduct Review Committee
Appointed	Sen. Ong	Student Misconduct Review Committee
Appointed	Sen. Hurley	Student Misconduct Review Committee
Nominated	Sydney Cowden	Teacher Education Program Advisory Council (TEPAC)
Appointed	Sen. Katherine Myszka	Alcohol Safety Team
Appointed	Sen. Holness	Petition for Readmission after Expulsion Tribunal
Appointed	Sen Ong	Council on Internationalization and Global Engagement (CIGE)
Nominated	Oliver Gibbs	Student Wage Rates & Practice Committee
Appointed	Sam Consiglio	Service Learning Advisory Committee

Unfinished Business

Bill or	Title	Status	Vote Method
Resolution			
Misc. Notes:			

New Business

Bill or	Title	Status	Vote Method
Resolution	66-R-1	Introduced, passed	Placard, 21-0-
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Misc. Notes:

Introduction:

- Non binding contract of goals for this year
- Intentionally vague to give freedom to accomplish goals
- Important historical document to see what has been done in the past
- Employment—implemented point 2 and 3, regarding bringing wage equality throughout jobs on campus
- Only major removal—accessible parking, because any parking lot follows federal standards, so this point is already taken care of.
- Q: Any carry-over projects from last year? A: not that we know of, COVID impacted progress last year
- Q: Under EC Campus, most of the objectives talk about pricing—are there any plans to work on accessibility within the existing halls? A: It was discussed heavily during the meeting, falls under objective 1
- Q: Last semester there were talks of expanding Hilltop hours, is this still a priority? A: This would have to be addressed in employment before hours could be expanded, more complicated
- Q: Is there any reason IGA's Get Out The Vote is not included here? A: It is included in the bylaws, so it is already required and delineated there, no specific reason it is not included here

Speaker's List:

- Speaker sentiments: I want to speak in favor, I have seen several LPSs, and there is clearly lots of work behind this document
- Move to amend: remove the highlighting from the document, leaving the text—editorial, passes
- Speaker sentiments: This resolution is a given, has historical precedent, would like to point out that this list is not set in stone, this is a good start but is not exhaustive, there is more than can be done (to inform the new senators)

Announcements

Person	Topic
Dir. Denison	Please fill out the office hours survey!
Dir. Blong	This Friday is Sep. 30 th , Orange Shirt Day, please wear and Orange Shirt in recognition. More info at UWECSM Instagram Page. Tshirts may be available for order on the day of.
Dir. Farmer	Senators: you are more than welcome to get creative with what you want to do. If you see a problem you want to address, it is your job to write legislation and work to address it, don't feel boxed in by what your commission does!



Dir. Heap	There is no time/date set for the Student Org	
-	Leader committee yet, it will be based around	
	your schedule	
	Q: Is this for your commission meeting?	
	A: We will be talking about the committee at this	
	week's commission meeting	
	Q: What is this committee for? A: Planning the	
	Student Org Leadership Banquet	
Dir. Blong	The room for ESM this week is in Centennial	
	1920—will be updated in the calendar, moved due	
	to the Board of Regents meeting this week	
Pres. Gaitan	National Coming Out Day is Oct. 11 and the	
	GSRC will be hosting an event on the Campus	
	Mall from 11-2!	
Pres. Gaitan	Sherry Snowbel is looking for a student employee	
	for Upward bound, meet with Pres. Gaitan after	
	this meeting if you are interested!	
	Q: what is Upward Bound? A: It is a program by	
	MSS to help multicultural students get acclimated	
	to campus	

Misc. Notes:

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 PM.



Note: Roll Call Vote

Legislation: 66-

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Senator Status	Name	Vote	



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Senator Status	Name	Vote	



Minutes submitted by Anakah Denison, Senate Personnel Director