

SOS General Assembly Meeting Minutes 9/28/2022

Student Sustainability Resource Center, Davies Student Center

I. Call to Order + Attendance

- a. Ice Breaker – If you suddenly found a cat and had to keep it, what would you name it?
- b. Attendance - Leah
- c. Sydney is at funding meeting for finance proposal

II. Open Forum

- a. No one for open forum

III. Proposal Reintroduction and Consideration

- a. giFunding to Provide the LEED Green Associate Credentialing Exam Waivers to Undergraduate Students – Henry Scamehorn, Sustainability Graduate Assistant
 - i. Advertised through TV screens and through email – talk to environmental science professors for more advertisements – write short url (uwec.ly/leed) on whiteboards
 - ii. **Vote: Passed** 7-0
- b. Funding to Support LEED Certification at the New Science and Health Science Building – Lily Strehlow, Sustainability Specialist
 - i. Have we gotten reasonable assurance that the architecture team will be able to meet the certification requirements – Yes, bronze certification.
 - ii. Add in sponsorship from the SOS (and student segregated feeds) pending LEED Certification – Ex.) “LEED Certification was made possible by the SOS”

iii. Is it important to put a contingency in case the finance meeting does not go as planned? – Finance commission would keep funds and give them to Student Senate.

iv. Vote: **Passed** 7-0

IV. **Proposal Introduction**

a. N/A

V. **Reports as Needed**

a. Student Director

i. Nothing to report that is different from last week, working to get everyone in their positions. Interview with Spectator on composting

b. Senate Director

c. Operations Coordinator

i. Get another space for commission meetings

1. Talk to library

2. Get glass double doors

d. Events and Activism Coordinator

i. Working on different events, reaching out for new opportunities – settling in

e. Education Coordinator

i. Planning out ideas for social media

f. Communications and Media Coordinator –

- i. In the process of working with IMC to enhance the current SSRC signage in the Davies Student Center (in the outreach stage with Senate Director).
- ii. Redeveloping the SOS webpage to reflect the 2022-2023 academic school year. The website is currently under construction, so items may still look a bit outdated.
 - 1. Lily is creating a quarterly newsletter – we can advertise events in it
- g. Graphic Design Coordinator
 - i. Working on posts for social media, TV graphic for Davies
- h. Commission Members

VI. **Other Business**

- a. Brainstorm: What do you want to see from the SOS
 - i. Compost bins on upper campus
 - 1. What is Grounds opinion on this?
 - 2. Back of house – Food services here do compost
 - 3. Add service-learning incentive for student workers to pick up composting – Anyone can email Lily questions about composting
 - 4. Chancellor did not sign the previous compost directive that was a mirror to UW-Stout's composting service – directive did not come from SOS

5. Lily had priority to create a first-year learning service for BluBox, composting, SOS, etc. (Mandatory training)
- b. Jake would like to see guest speakers
 - i. Open to students and the community
 - ii. Credible and recognizable people
 - iii. Someone from Earthbound?
 - iv. New program to create speaker surveys
 1. NCUR – great sustainability themed speakers, Molina – Indigenous, Canadian activist
 - c. October 18, 26, November 3 – Project conference of Educators in Sustainability in a room for students to come and go – More on this next week
 - d. Brian – is there any interest in this group of people who want to work with the hydroponic units? Give people more opportunities to have access to food. They should be up and running by the second week of October – include it in a research project once it is up and running?
 - i. Still working out the logistics on who can use it/where the produce will be dispersed to (Farmers Market, Campus Food Pantry)
 - ii. Priority should be handing it out to students who want it/give them access to the freshest food possible
 1. Could utilize SSRC to hand out produce
 2. Problem with giving it to Sodexo so they can make a profit out of it, rather than giving it to students for free

iii. Advertisement for food pantry on the hydroponics

1. 25% of students face food insecurity – more publicity for the Campus Harvest Food Pantry, the better.

VII. **Announcements**

- a. N/a

VIII. **Adjournment**