**Wisconsin Student Government Meeting Minutes**

January 7th, 2022

1. **Call to Order-** Dan Herder, President, called the virtual meeting to order **at 10:10 a.m.** on

January 7th, 2022. NTC hosted this meeting via Zoom.

**2**.    **Roll Call at 10:11 a.m.-** Dan Herder conducted roll call. The following colleges with an ‘X’ attended this virtual meeting and the colleges left blank were absent.

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| **Technical College** |  | **Technical College** |  |
| **Blackhawk** | X  | **Moraine Park** | X  |
| **Chippewa Valley** | X  | **Nicolet** |   |
| **Fox Valley** | X  | **Northcentral** | X  |
| **Gateway** | X  | **Northeast WI** | X  |
| **Lakeshore** | X  | **Northwood** | X  |
| **Madison** | X  | **Southwest WI** | X  |
| **Mid-State** | X  | **Waukesha** | X  |
| **Milwaukee Area** |   | **Western** | X  |

1. **Welcome at 10:12.**
	1. NTC’s Dr. Sarah Dillon provided a brief welcome to WSG. She spoke about the important programming occurring at NTC as well as the importance of student involvement and input.
2. **The agenda for the January 7th meeting was approved** **10:20.**
	1. Lakeshore motioned to approve and NTC seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and there was no discussion.
3. **The minutes from the November 12th meeting were reviewed and approved 10:22.**
	1. MSTC motioned to approve and WCTC seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and there was no discussion.
4. **Overview of Wisconsin Student Government tuition increase 10:24.**
	1. **10:24** Brandon Trujillo spoke about tuition increases determined by the WTCS workgroup as well as state and federal legislative updates. Key points include that tuition for most programs, excluding transfer programs, will be raised about 1.5% from the previous academic year. State legislative updates include information on Assembly Bill 735 which is related to free speech in colleges across the state. The Federal update was about a new program for GI Bill recipients to allow them to continue to receive their full housing credit regardless of online enrollment. For more information, contact Brandon Trujillo.
	2. **11:02** Representative Patrick Snyder joined WSG for a question-and-answer session. Topics covered included grants for students to afford internet connection, increasing availability to broadband for rural students, and the availability of A.A. degrees at WTCS colleges. For more information, contact Representative Patrick Snyder
	3. **11:27** Brandon Trujillo concluded his presentation and included his contact information. His contacts can be found in the presentation shared with the membership during the meeting. To access this, contact your Governor or one of the Executive Officers.
5. **President Dan Herder suggests adjusting scheduling 11:29.**
	1. **11:29** A motion is made to skip the scheduled break in the interest of time. MSTC motions and NTC seconds the motion. The vote was unanimous and there was no discussion.
	2. **11:30** A motion is made to shorten lunch to 30 minutes from 45 minutes in the interest of time. NWTC makes a motion and MSTC seconds the motion. The vote was unanimous and there was no discussion.

**8.    Reports 11:31 a.m.**

* 1. **11:31 President’s Report-** 11:31 Daniel Herder provideed the President’s report. He plans on supporting the permanent removal of online class fees.
	2. **AFO Report 11:32**: Ann Ilagan, Public Relations Representative provideed the AFO report. Notable expenses included lodging, millage, and the content management of the website. To access the expense report, contact Joshua Wallschlaeger.
	3. **Progress Report 11:33**: Hayley provided a brief report on the progress made on the organization website. She made mainly aesthetic changes, but also improved the function of links on the site.
	4. **Resource Director Report 11:34:** Vicky Weiland gave the Resource Director’s report. She detailed her transition plan as she has decided to resign in the coming months. The 2022-2023 WSG budget was introduced to the membership. Those with questions should contact Vicky Weiland.

**9.   Bylaw Voting 11:46:** The membership voted on the changes to the bylaws made by the workgroup and in the open comment period on 6 January 2022. Lakeshore motioned and Fox Valley seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and there was no discussion.

**10. Policy Introduction 11:49 -** Brandon Trujillo introduced the Policy and Procedure changes that need to be made. A meeting will be set for the Friday before the Legislative Seminar and an invitation will be sent to the membership. This the membership’s opportunity to provide feedback and ideas on the Policies and Procedures prior to the vote at the February WSG meeting. Those with questions should contact Brandon Trujillo.

**11.** **Governors Reports Began 11:56**. The different colleges shared what students are doing on their respective campuses as they approach the Spring Semester.

1. **11:57** Casey from Blackhawk detailed their animal plush fundraiser, self-care workshops, and pet therapy from fall semester.
2. **11:59** Camryn from Chippewa Falls spoke about the importance of student involvement and input and the ways they are working as a student body to improve the number of students who provide feedback.
3. **12:01** Kimmie from Fox Valley described increasing engagement with student government at her college as well as Fox Connect, a new service provided to students.
4. **12:03** Tara from Gateway spoke about student ambassador nominations that recently began at Gateway. Gateway Days took place over fall finals and included events like grab and go lunches and student success kits.
5. **12:05** Lakeshore college reported on the Thanksgiving food boxes given to students in need as well as a hot cocoa bar, bingo, and bagged groceries for graduates.
6. **12:07** Tara from Midstate was excited to share that Midstate received a 39-million-dollar grant for a new educational facility and equipment.
7. **12:10** Aspyn from Moraine Park spoke about their planned welcome back events for students, including gifts and games. The Moraine Park student senate also donated Christmas gifts to children in need.
8. **12:11** Shane from North Central described a positive outlook for activities this spring being more in person on their campus. Better Than Barbie, a body positivity event, took place during the fall semester at North Central.
9. **12:13** Josh from NWTC spoke on the exciting events planned for spring semester including games, activities for students, and a Holocaust remembrance photography exhibit travelling to the NWTC campus.
10. **12:15** Ashley from Southwest spoke on the new and universally accessible Better Minds mental health service available to SWTC students which was funded exclusively by student senate.
11. **12:16** Nicole from Waukesha described their activities designed to engage their community, which included a party for children. Finals kits were distributed to encourage student success.
12. **12:18** Becky from Western spoke about the clothing tree that was funded by the Western student senate. She also acknowledged graduates that achieved their goal in December and was excited to share décor and dessert contests that were a part of the fall semester festivities.

**12. Recess 12:19 –**

1. Daniel Herder began a recess in the meeting for lunch.
2. **12:53** The meeting was called back to order.

**13.Virtual Tour 12:54 -** NTC provided a virtual tour for the membership, highlighting their expansive and detailed facility.

**14. AFO Elections 12:57 -** AFO elections were held. Joshua Wallschlaeger, Perla Donjun, and Sally Fieber were nominated for the position. All three candidates spoke on why they believed they would be a good candidate for the position of AFO. A brief caucus was held for colleges to discuss. Joshua Wallschleager was elected AFO.

**15. Leadership demonstration time adjustment 1:00 -** Dan Herder, president, motioned to push the leadership demonstration to the final remarks. The motion was seconded, and the presentation was moved until the end and optional for everyone.

**17. Discussion on legislative seminar commitments 1:04 -** Vicky Weiland reviewed the committee responsibilities for Legislative Seminar and asked the colleges who were responsible if there were questions or updates to report.

**18. Legislative Seminar Break Down and Description at 1:29 p.m.-** Vicky Weiland, Resource Director, provided information on registration and other important information for the Legislative Seminar. She mentioned that Tuesday, January 25th is the reservation deadline for rooms at the Madison Concourse. The block will be released after that date and there are no guarantees that rooms would be available with the rates of $124.0 for Premier Level and $224.00 for the Governors Club level. Friday, January 28 is the deadline to register for the Legislative Seminar.

**19. Position Paper Approval 1:34–** Western shared the Position Paper which provides information on the three positions WSG is advocating on at the Legislative Seminar. They answered questions. Fox Valley Tech motioned to approve the position paper and NTC seconded. There was unanimous support.

**20. Description of Legislative Schedule 1:36 –** The legislative seminar schedule was discussed to inform the colleges. The schedule may change if the Governor or Lt. Governor accepts the invitation to attend.

**21. 5 Minute Break 1:57 -** Dan Herder, President, motioned to start a break before closing remarks.

**25. Meeting is Called Back to order 2:02 –** Dan Herder called the meeting back to order and opened the floor to any closing remarks.

**26. Meeting Adjournment 2:08 –** Anyone that wanted to stay following the adjournment of the meeting for the leadership session was but not required. MSTC motioned to adjourn the meeting and NTC seconded. Meeting adjourned.