

WEST BANK UNION
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
MEETING
February 6, 1991

PRESENT:

Cathy Beikler	Jill Driscoll
B. Jay Furse	Melodie Hamlett
Drew Helmer	Tina Larson
Kyle Lundgren	Jamin Lynch
Tia Spilleth	Angie Williams

ABSENT: Karen Pink (excused)

STAFF: Ron Krumm, Bernie Molitor

GUEST: Tim Varecka, Keith Niemi

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by President Melodie Hamlett.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda approved as amended.

Under Committee Reports:

MSA is added.

Constitution was deleted.

There will be a five minute limit for each of the committee reports.

Under New Business:

A letter to the Governor was added.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes approved as amended.

Under New Business:

Delete the last sentence in the paragraph.

V. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Fees Presentation. Melodie stated that the fees presentation went over very well, everything went smoothly. She also wants to thank everyone for all of their hard work in getting the presentation together.

Ron stated that the slide presentation was a good format to use in future presentations.

Bernie stated that the presentation was "beautifully done."

B. Letter To Vice President Hughes. Melodie stated that she needs the questions from the committees for Vice President Hughes. A draft of the letter that will be sent to Marvelene Hughes, will be ready tomorrow, February 7th.

V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Update On Accounting System. Ron stated that the Directors have finished the document that will go to Sue Oatey, giving the pros and cons of three different Accounting Systems.

He stated that if we were to go with the same accounting system that is used at St. Paul Student Center, the cost will be \$2000 - \$3000 verses the cost of \$20,000 - \$21,000.

B. Multi-Culturalism and Diversity. Ron stated that their was a meeting on multi-culturalism and diversity this morning, and it was decided that the WBU would move ahead on this issue.

Ron and Bernie will be setting up a committee to deal specifically with the issue. A number of students and staff members have shown great interest in serving on the planning committee. If anyone on the board is interested please let Ron or Bernie know.

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive:

At the Executive meeting, on Monday, they discussed what the next step would be now that the fees presentation is over. There will be an open hearing on the West Bank soon.

Melodie stated that each of the committees need to call up their groups, and other people, and ask them attend the open hearing to show their support for the WBU. There will also be a mass mailing going out to get supporters for the WBU.

Bernie stressed the fact that we need to contact people to attend the open hearings. He also stated that it may be a lot of work but, a good turn out will be worth it.

Melodie stated that the Executive committee will meet again with the Board of CMUBOG in order to start discussing the possibility of a Minneapolis Union. If anyone from the other committees want to help, please let Melodie know.

B. HOUSE:

Jamin distributed a copy of the questions for Marvelene Hughes. He would appreciate any comments or criticisms on them.

In their weekly meeting they discussed the Six Month Report.

Jamin stated that the committee was thinking about charging \$.10 to cash checks, but since WBU is the only Union that doesn't charge to cash checks they decided to hold off on this policy for this service now.

The WBU may have a bratwurst stand this coming spring.

Jamin sent a letter to Vending Services concerning the purchasing of tampons in machines.

MSA sent the House a proposal for the WBU Service Center. They propose that the Center will be the same as it is at Coffman, only smaller. MSA wants to pay \$850 per square foot. The President of MSA encourages any advice or criticism from this Board.

C. Activities:

Angie stated that she went to the Program Council meeting and they discussed the Peace Site Coalition Committee. There is an informational meeting next Thursday February 14th, at 4:00pm in the Fireplace Room.

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Angie stated that the Board should invite Martha Anderson to the February 20th meeting, in order to answer any questions about this Committee.

Angie gave questions for Marvelene Hughes to Melodie, some of these questions came from Bernie.

D. NETWORKING:

The final copy of the newsletter is complete and it will be mailed out Friday February 8th. If anyone wants to read over the letter a copy of it is in Drew's mailbox.

The next meeting for the Networking committee will be on Friday February 8th, from 1:20 - 2:00pm, anyone can attend to discuss the newsletter.

E. PROGRAM COUNCIL:

Tim stated that the Iposo Facto concert went over well, 200 people attended. On behalf of Tracy: Thanks to all the Board members that helped out with the program

Last week Naomi Scheman had a full house in the Fireplace Room, it was standing room only. Tim stated that "When Sally Calls Harry: Communication Between Men and Women" should be another full house.

The sneak preview of "LA Stories" was well attended.

The Landmark Series will be presenting "Metropolis" on Thursday February 7th at 7:30pm.

Tim went into depth of upcoming programs.

F. MSA

Kyle stated that at the MSA meeting they discussed the elections process.

He also stated that the MSA Board passed a policy concerning minority students being on the MSA Board. If, for some reason they can't find a minority student to fill these positions, then that committee can fill the positions at their own discretion.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

None reported.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Letter To The Governor. Jill wrote a letter to the Governor stating that the WBUBOG do not approve of the proposed tuition increase for students at the University of Minnesota.

MOTION 90 - 91 [18] As elected representatives and students of the University of Minnesota we wish to express our displeasure at proposals to increase tuition. We therefore, call on Governor Carlson not to force the implementation of tuition increases for the U of Mn students. Motion passed.

IX. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

In response to the question of how was Ron's birthday? It was good.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next MSA meeting will be on February 24th.

Career Fair 91 will be on February 28th from 10:00 - 3:00pm at Coffman.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:33pm.

Submitted by Michelle Baker



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
TWIN CITIES

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February 6, 1991

Governor Carlson
130 State Capitol
St Paul, MN 55155

Dear Sir:

We are writing you today as concerned student leaders greatly interested in your proposed tuition increase for students at the University of Minnesota. Your recommendation to raise the students' portion of tuition costs from 33% to 50% creates a potentially bleak situation for current and future University students. Declining Financial Aid monies has made the scenario for students even more desperate. Suggesting that students bear such a huge increase in tuition costs with the goal of remedying our state's financial disarray is unjust and a clear departure from your campaign promises to improve higher education in our state.

We acknowledge the fact that the current financial situation in Minnesota is in need of drastic assistance. However, we stand firm in our stance that raising tuition is not a proper way to deal with this problem. As other student leaders have so eloquently stated, "DO NOT BALANCE THE BUDGET ON THE BACKS OF ALREADY FINANCIALLY STRAPPED STUDENTS."

Our University is a superior institution and we take pride in being a part of it. It is imperative that in our "educationally progressive" state an education at the University of Minnesota remain accessible to all the people of our state.

We, the undersigned, feel that your proposal is not in the interest of improving education in Minnesota and therefore we do not support your recommendation.

Sincerely,

West Bank Union Board of Governors

West Bank Union

Melodie Hamlett

Keith A. Niemi

Angelita Williams

Catherine Becker

Guthrie Spillett

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Ray Furse

Drew A. Helmer

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WEST BANK UNION
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
MEETING
February 13, 1991

PRESENT:

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Drew Helmer	Tina Larson
Kyle Lundgren	Jamin Lynch
Karen Pink	Tia Spilleth
Angie Williams	

ABSENT: Keith Niemi (excused)

STAFF: Ron Krumm

GUEST: Tim Varecka

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by President Melodie Hamlett.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda approved as printed.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes approved as printed.

V. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Letter To Vice President Hughes. Melodie stated that a letter containing questions from the Board have been given to V.P. Hughes.

V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Minneapolis Union. Ron stated that he and Rufus Simmons had a meeting with Sue Oatey to talk about the Minneapolis Union, they will come forward with a plan.

The bad news is that the plan for this Minneapolis Campus Union has to be completed by September 1, 1991. The plans will then be given to Vice President Hughes for the final okay, changes may be made to the plan or she may discard the whole idea.

Ron stated that after that time period, issues involving students have to be done before the end of Spring Quarter, as the majority of the students will be out of school. He will distribute a memo concerning this issue, either February 14th or 15th.

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive:

None reported.

B. HOUSE:

MOTION 90/91 [19] - It is moved that the BOG use the hallway side of the bulletin board in the south side of the Family Room, and be used only for official BOG business. Any member of the BOG may post information they feel is pertinent to board business. The secretary shall post the minutes every week. This is to enhance knowledge of BOG business. Motion Passed.

There will be a meeting with Ron and MSA Committee some time next week.

C. Activities:

None reported.

D. NETWORKING:

In their meeting the members talked about an open house in Spring Quarter, they also discussed something to go with the Spring-Fest.

Drew stated that the Board members should contact their groups and ask how they feel about the newsletter, and to try to get the groups to put information about each of their own organizations in the following newsletters. Drew distributed a list of each of the organizations the newsletter was sent to.

In the next board meeting five minutes will be taken to evaluate the newsletter.

E. PROGRAM COUNCIL:

Tim stated that Vice President Hughes will host a Conversations series program on February 14th at noon in the Fireplace Room.

On Wednesday February 20th at 7:30pm the WBU will have an Apollo Night program.

The College Bowl team went to the University of Wisconsin, Madison the weekend of February 8/9 for the Fourth Annual Elvis Aaron Presley Memorial College Bowl Invitational and won First place.

Tim went into depth of upcoming programs.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

None reported.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

None reported.

IX. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

None reported.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The WBUBOG is sponsoring the 2nd Annual Snow Fest with RHA, and Melodie wants some of the board members to participate in at least one of the events which consists of: Snow football, scavenger hunt, or ice sculpture. The deadline to sign up for this event is February 18th.

Angie, Tia, and Cathy will participate in the scavenger hunt.

This Friday, February 15th, Drew turns 21, and he wants to know if anyone wants to go to happy hour after Every Friday.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55pm.

The WBUBOG met with Vice President Marvalene Hughes in the Fireplace Room, after the Board meeting.

The V.P. discussed a number of topics concerning Student Affairs.

She stated that she wants the unions to be a "hub of campus activity," and right now the University's union is not at her ideal level. She said that 95% of the students aren't connected to the campus, she wants to try and change this.

Concerning the Gulf Crisis, Dr. Hughes hopes to implement this in order to allow for student dialogue.

She wants to bring the Greek System back to the Campus.

The reallocation of money: 75% of this will go to the undergraduate studies, especially for IT and CLA.

In Student Affairs she proposed the following reallocations:

1. Give the undergraduates back a half million dollars in the next five years.
2. Trying to build communities for constituents, and have grants for this.
3. Address large populations of students who live off campus and try to get them involved in campus activities.
4. Expand disabled students program.
5. Revamping/restructuring the Admissions and Recruitment process.

Dr. Hughes plans to empower people like the WBUBOG to help confront bigotry and to get rid of it. A committee is being established to deal specifically with the problems of racism. Mrs. Hughes is considering identifying an hour a week for this issue.

She also stated that she would work with the WBUBOG to get back the space the University Student Legal Services is occupying for West Bank organizations.

Submitted by Michelle Baker

WEST BANK UNION
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
MEETING
February 20, 1991

PRESENT:

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B. Jay Furse	Melodie Hamlett
Drew Helmer	Tina Larson
Kyle Lundgren	Jamin Lynch
Karen Pink	Tia Spilleth
Angie Williams	

STAFF: Ron Krumm, Bernie Molitor

GUEST: Tim Varecka, Sue Oatey, Becky Colbert

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by President Melodie Hamlett.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda approved as printed.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes approved as amended.

Tina Larson was excused for the February 13th meeting. Under Announcements: First paragraph, first sentence should read: The WBU is sponsoring the 2nd Annual Snow Fest. The last page, last paragraph, should read: VP Hughes stated that she would work with the WBUBOG to solve space problems.

IV. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Follow Up Letter To Vice President Hughes. Melodie stated that she will write a thank you letter to Marvalene Hughes for taking time out to come and visit the WBUBOG. She will also ask for some follow up information on some of the issues discussed at the February 13th meeting.

Ron proposed that WBUBOG invite VP Hughes back to discuss these issues in person.

Melodie stated that the applications for membership of the board are out. All governors must fill one out, you can get them at the service centers at Coffman, St. Paul Student Center and the West Bank Union.

V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Program On Racism. Ron reported on a satellite program about racism today at Coffman Union. It contained some good suggestion on handling racism that the University can use for its follow up of the "time out." He said that overall the program was very good.

B. Fees Report. Ron stated that no information about fee recommendations have been forthcoming since our meeting in late January.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive:

None reported.

B. HOUSE:

At their meeting today they discussed the possibility of sponsoring a radio station in Willey Hall. Right now they are still brainstorming that idea.

Jill is working on a proposal for setting up a TV in Willey Hall and for Paragon Cable.

Jamin stated that he spoke with Sharon Teigen on having a Bratwurst stand, Sharon said that this would be fine but it can only be set up when the west bank has programs.

Karen and Cathy are brainstorming ideas for blue prints of Willey Hall.

There will be a meeting with Ron and MSA Committee some time next week.

C. Activities:

At their meeting today they discussed the Peace Site meeting.

D. NETWORKING:

Drew asked for the general response to the newsletter, he said that someone from one of his organizations sent in some information to be printed in the next newsletter. The Governors stated that most of their groups haven't been able to read the letter as of yet.

Motion 90/91 [20] - The WBUBOG approves the publication of the March 91 issue of WBU Connection. The motion passed.

The next issue will go out early March.

The next Networking meeting will be Friday February 22nd at 1:30pm.

E. PROGRAM COUNCIL:

Tim stated that tonight at 7:30pm in Willey Hall, room 175 the Apollo Night Program will be held.

Tomorrow is the last program from the Conversations Series. The host will be Professor Theofanis Stavrov.

In the WBU Auditorium there will be a program on the "Model United Nations Simulation." From February 25 - February 27th.

On February 21st in the WBU auditorium there will be two programs on Malcolm X. There will be videos and a discussion will follow. There is also a rally at noon, both of these programs will be at Coffman Union.

The Multi-Cultural Meltdown will occur from February 25 - March 1. Programs will be in the Fireplace Room from 3 - 5pm daily. Angie from the WBUBOG is presenting a speech on Egypt.

Tim stated that he wrote a memo reminding Student Coordinators to finish their program reports ASAP.

Tim went into depth of upcoming programs.

E. CONSTITUTION:

Kyle distributed two proposals for the Constitution Laws.

1. Getting freshman on the Board, by having interview for four vacancies in the Fall.
2. Getting freshman on the Board, by interviewing two freshman in the Spring and two in the Fall.

The proposal went into depth of the by laws in which the committee will be amending, this part of the proposal will be discussed at the next meeting.

Kyle stated that he has been trying to get Law and Business students interested in joining the WBUBOG, but he is having a hard time in doing so.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Reaction To Minneapolis Campus Union. Ron stated that he and Rufus drafted a memo concerning the Mpls. Union. That memo should be in the mailboxes within the next couple of days.

He also stated that they are looking to get the issues surrounding the Mpls. Union well defined by the latter part of March, so they can be given to Vice President Hughes.

Bernie suggested that WBUBOG ask VP Hughes why she wants to consolidate Coffman and West Bank Unions because there were so many questions asked concerning the merger.

Melodie stated that at the next Board meeting all of the Governors should be prepared to discuss some of their concerns and issues of the merger.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

None reported.

IX. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Tia got a nine month old kitten named Dryfus.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

B. Jay and Jamin, Chateau 507 will have a party on Saturday at 10:30pm. The theme for the party is: If you don't get wasted in College, College is a waste.

Melodie stated that if anyone is interested in getting a softball team together let her know.

Jill stated that she went to Lobby Day at the Capitol today, in order to protest against the new tuition increase. She has information on Governor Carlson's budget recommendations.

MSA meeting is February 21st at 3:30pm in the Law Building.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25pm.

Submitted by Michelle Baker

WEST BANK UNION
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
MEETING

February 27, 1991

PRESENT:

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B. Jay Furse	Melodie Hamlett
Drew Helmer	Tina Larson
Kyle Lundgren	Jamin Lynch
Karen Pink	Tia Spilleth
Angie Williams	

STAFF: Ron Krumm

GUEST: Janet Drummond, Tracey Heatherington, Stephanie Kuduk,
Tim Varecka, Brian Weikle.

ABSENT: Keith Niemi

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by President Melodie Hamlett.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda approved as amended.

Under Presidents report: Add an "e" to Vice Presidents Hughes name.

Under Committee reports: MISA should read "MSA".

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes approved as amended.

Add Keith Niemi to the WBUBOG list.

Under House: Third paragraph, last sentence should read:
When the WBU has programs outside on the plaza.

IV. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Follow Up Letter To Vice President Hughes. Melodie stated that she drafted a follow letter up to Vice President Hughes asking her to deal with some of the issues concerning WBU. Melodie said that the letter will be mailed out soon.

B. Letters of Support. Melodie received several letters supporting WBU programs from organizations. She distributed these letters to the BOG members.

V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Update On Fees Request. Ron reported that the fees request went too hearing yesterday, and the subcommittee recommended that we receive \$12,000 for the accounting system, \$5,600 for the work study program and an extra \$9,500 for supplies at 4.5%.

Ron stated that if we were not able to get the new accounting system, the accounting department would need \$9500 more to hire someone part-time.

He also stated that the WBU received everything they asked for from the fees committee.

B. Update On Minneapolis Union. Ron distributed a memo on the Mpls Campus Union, stating that the merger will happen on May 8, 1991 if the reallocation proposal is endorsed by the Board of Regents. If this merger should go through there will be major changes in the offices of Student Affairs.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive:

At the Executive meeting they met with Harold Birts from the Coffman Union Board, and discussed at length the joining of WBU and Coffman Union. There may be four members from each of the Boards to go over the merging of the two mission statements.

There will a meeting concerning this issue once every week in Spring Quarter. Melodie said that she wants two new members and two old members to serve on this committee.

The next Executive meeting will be on Tuesday March 2nd from 10 - 11am.

B. HOUSE:

Jamin stated that he wrote Sharon Teigen a letter regarding the bratwurst stand for Spring Quarter.

The House committee had a guest at their meeting today, on behalf of having a capachino stand in the Service Center. This may be a possibility for the future.

Jamin stated that he is meeting with Larry Anderson, Thursday March 7th at 9:00am, regarding the remodeling of Willey Hall.

C. Activities:

Activities met today and discussed the past, present, and future communication between the Program Council and the Activities Committee. Angie is trying to have more Board members go to the Program Council meetings.

Tim gave a sample of the quarters end evaluations. It was stated that it may be a better idea to have all the evaluations given in one report.

D. NETWORKING:

Drew stated that he has a rough draft of the March newsletter ready and it will go to Pam soon.

The newsletter should be out on Friday March 1st. If you have anything that you want to be put in it please let Drew know before this date.

Motion 90/91 [21] - The motion has been brought to the Board concerning The Open House Session on April 17th from 3-5pm, with various WBU Organizations. The Networking Committee is asking for the approval of the Reception for the organizations and \$75 to buy the refreshments for the reception. The motion passed.

E. PROGRAM COUNCIL:

Brian stated that Issues, Values and Ideas has come to an end for Winter Quarter.

The program on Malcolm X had a very good turnout. He also stated that they are in the process on writing a report on the Issues Values and Ideas series.

Brian stated that they are applying for a grant from Student Affairs to help pay for the programs in Spring Quarter.

The Performing Arts last program will be Friday March 1st. Starting Spring Quarter all the Performing Arts programs will be held outside.

The Bijou is "rapping down" its filming of movies for the quarter. There will be two films shown during finals week.

On Tuesday March 5th at 3:30pm, there will be a presentation at the Program Council meeting. The theme is "Win As Much As You Can," and everyone is welcome to come.

College Bowl Regionals are coming up this weekend.

Melodie thanked the Program Council for doing such a good job with their programs.

E. CONSTITUTION:

Kyle stated that the committee will be meeting on Monday March 4th to discuss the changes to be made on the Constitution.

He also stated the major differences of the two proposals that were distributed to the Board at the last meeting. The first being four people appointed in the Fall and the other being, two people appointed in the Spring and two people in the Fall.

MOTION 90/91 - [22] The Constitution Committee moves for the approval of proposal #1, to elect four members to the Board in the Fall. The motion passed.

D. MSA:

At the MSA meeting, that Board voted to approve the reallocation plan by President Hasselmo.

They discussed how disappointed they were in the student leaders for not showing up at Lobby Day.

The next meeting will be April 4th.

The Siggelkow Retreat will be April 26-28th. The theme will be "Challenging Your Perceptions," and the cost is \$15 per person.

Ron read a letter that was sent to him from the Siggelkow organization. It stated that they would be able to hold three seats for Board members for the fee of \$400. Ron said that he will write a letter to Siggelkow to clarify the letter.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Brainstorming Ideas.

College Bowl
Space
Gallery
Successful films
Income generation
Sneak previews
Students represented on boards, committees
Intimacy, smallness, personal
Mascot meeting area
Special relations with academic units
Every Friday
Student organization space
Name
Our own volunteer development and recognition
Student employees
Products needed
Tower concourse development
West Bank Representative on Board

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

None reported.

IX. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

None reported.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

James Connoly - Parlimentary Procedures will be March 6th. Food will be served at 4pm, and the program will begin at 4:30pm. WBU Board meeting will begin at 5:30pm.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:33pm.

Submitted by Michelle Baker