

WEST BANK UNION BOARD MINUTES  
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA  
SEPTEMBER 2, 1987

PRESENT: Keith Niemi, Tim Rheault, Shelley Van Den Elzen,  
Jim Wallerius

STAFF: Ron Krumm

- I. Call to Order  
President Niemi called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.
- II. Approval of Agenda  
Approved.
- III. Approval of Minutes  
Approved.
- IV. President's Report  
None.
- V. Director's Report

Ron Krumm spoke about hiring part time employees to work in the WBU office and the employment needs of the WBU office.

R. Krumm spoke about the purchase of planters and lights for the Willey Hall project. Bids for particular types of planters and lights will be available in approximately 40 days. Ron said the planters and lights should be installed at the end of fall quarter.

Ron presented to the Board attendance figures for summer programs.

Ron explained the situation with the ceramic lockers in Studio Arts building. The Minnesota Unions and Studio Arts are to work out the financial arrangements for the purchase and management of that equipment.

Niemi spoke of the need to take action on the subject of the division of Minnesota Union reserves. Ron suggested that we not take action on this until after fall quarter. The auditor's office will be going over the financial records for the past three years. A report will be forthcoming from the directors when that is completed.

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VI. Old Business

A. Budget

Ron reviewed the budget needs for various WBU programs. It is the intent of the director to have preliminary budget on all projects completed by the start of fall quarter. Ron is working with Coffman Union to insure there is no unnecessary duplication of resources.

The Board budget was reviewed. Changes for this budget will be presented to the entire board at the first fall quarter meeting.

Niemi wishes to have orientation for new board members in fall and to have this venture put on the budget.

A Public Relations project was discussed. Ron will work with staff to develop an initial proposal and budget for this area.

B. Constitution

Rheault suggests that ratification of our constitution should wait until the full Board is present.

C. Info. Fair

All is going well, but a few spaces need to be filled. See Barb Sullivan to sign up.

D. Activities Fair

Should we have a booth for West Bank Union?

MOTION 87-88-18 (Wallerius/Van Den Elzen)

WBU very graciously and politely retracts it's participation in the activities fair on Sept. 28.

PASSED.

VII. Announcements

No announcements made that the secretary recall.

IX. Adjournment

President Niemi adjourned the meeting at 8:30.

Respectively submitted: Timothy Rheault

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DATE: September 30, 1987

PLACE: WBU Conference Room

PRESENT: Josh Jacobson, Michael Jader, Melanie Lineburg, Keith Niemi, Tim Rheault  
Barb Sullivan, Shelly Van Den Elzen, Jim Wallerius

UNEXCUSED ABSENT: Joe Schleif

STAFF: Susan Grieger, Ron Krumm, Bernie Molitor

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Niemi called the meeting to order at 5:28 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda approved as written.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes approved as written.

IV. PRESIDENTS' REPORT

- A. President Niemi welcomed the Board back to school. A welcome was extended to Bernie Molitor, who is responsible for volunteer development. Bernie will be working with the Board and the director to develop a year long orientation program.
- B. Work Availability sheets were passed out with a reminder to include all necessary information.
- C. President Niemi gave a brief overview of his goals for the board this year.
1. make the Union more visible
  2. continuation of excellent programming
  3. further involvement of volunteers in programming
  4. bring the Board to full membership
  5. pop machine and greeting cards in Service Center
  6. constitution and by laws approved

- D. Appointments:  
House Committee Chair - Jim Wallerius  
Activities Committee Chair - Melanie Lineburg
- E. President Niemi and the Board expressed their appreciation of people who helped at the Info Fair - especially Barb Sullivan who coordinated the staffing.
- F. The Reserves are being audited and a report should be ready in approximately 2 months. At that time the directors will review WBU's request and make a recommendation for distribution of MU central funds.
- G. Lighting bids for Willey Hall Lounge will be back in 15 days.
- H. Jim Wallerius inquired about Board applications. President Niemi said that there would be recommendations from Executive Committee next week. Shelly Van Den Elzen inquired about applicants who respond to Daily ads. Keith Niemi replied that applications from the ad will be handled later.

V. DIRECTORS' REPORT

- A. The Board needs to find replacements for faculty and civil service representatives. Ron Krumm suggested that the Board use the Faculty Committee of Committees to find a faculty representative. He will make that contact. Barb Sullivan resigned regretfully, but she has to finish work on her degree.
- B. The Board will have a recording secretary. If needed, one of the secretaries will take minutes for committees. Committee Chairs need to get their meetings scheduled at regular times.
- C. The recruitment ad will be done next week. The new WBU flyers should be done by the end of October.
- D. Bernie Molitor explained his position with volunteer development. He expressed his pleasure with the work he has ahead of him, but said he would like to see more volunteer involvement. He

said he feels comfortable working with program volunteers, but has not worked with governance before and is a little shaky in that area. However, he is looking forward to it. The multicultural area has a new consultant. His name is Juan Moreno and things are moving ahead in that area. Bernie will work with him to develop that area on West Bank. Community outreach will have to be worked on, but he is looking forward to the challenge. Bernie concluded by saying he is looking forward to the new year.

#### VI. OLD BUSINESS

##### A. Board Budget

Keith Niemi explained the lines of the budget, with Ron Krumm's input in areas where it was needed, particularly Office Supplies, ACU-I, and Miscellaneous expenses for 1986-87. Josh Jacobson brought up the point that there was a "preposterous" increase over last year's budget. Keith Niemi and Ron Krumm patiently explained that with the dissolution of MUCB, the Board is going to have to increase this budget to cover expenses that were previously charged to other budgets. Furthermore, the WBUB budget, in comparison with CMU and SPSC, has a lower bottom line figure. The \$400 for orientation was questioned by Josh Jacobson and Melanie Lineburg. President Niemi explained that more should be done than has been done in the past, especially this year with the reorganization. The food budget was questioned by Josh Jacobson. In response, the board gave him a hearty chuckle. Bernie Molitor explained that the \$1400 for ACU-I gives you 5 1/2 people at the conference. Josh Jacobson further questioned the \$1000 for awards and recognition. Ron Krumm explained recognition and thanks to volunteers is needed. That amount of money was reasonable, given the number of volunteers and recognition events planned for 1987-88. He further explained that the 1986-87 actual expenses is not accurate because some expenses were not properly classed. Josh Jacobson made one last tilt at the windmill of fiscal restraint, since the practice of dipping into reserves should not become a habit. Ron Krumm agreed with Josh in principle, the sun was seen rising in the west, and the pope was discovered to be Buddhist.

MOTION 87-88-19 (Rheault/Lineburg)  
That the Board Budget be approved.

A light discussion followed in which the notion that the Budget was justified.

Motion Passed.  
Josh Jacobson dissented  
One abstention

B. Constitution

A draft of the constitution was submitted. Jim Wallerius and Michael Jader expressed the fact that this was a very rough draft. Ron Krumm commented that the same subject should be covered in each article of the three constituent constitutions. It was suggested that any substantive work on the constitution be delayed until a representative of WBU get together with a representative of SPSC.

The matter was referred without objection, back to the Policy and Rules Committee.

Membership was solicited on the Policy and Rules Committee. Ron Krumm, Jim Wallerius, Keith Niemi and Tim Rheault volunteered.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

College Bowl Scholarship Committee must be formed.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Board once again thanked Barb Sullivan for her service on the board.

Food next week: Josh Jacobson

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Matthew J. Marta