UND Student Senate

Sunday, March 9th, 2014
River Valley Room
6:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order

II. Guest Speakers
   A. Dr. Lori Reesor (VPSA) and VP Alice Brekke (VPFO)

III. Approval of Consent Agenda
   A. Minutes 02/23/14
   B. Communications Director – Dylan Berg

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   A. SB 1314-25 DeStress Fest Funding
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   B. SR 1314-14 Maintaining Affordability in Higher Education
   C. SB 1314-27 Student Senate Outreach Program

VII. Announcements/Public Comment

VIII. Adjournment

***********All are Welcome to Attend***********
Student Senate
March 9th, 2014
River Valley Room
12:00 pm

Minutes

Members
Cyndi Burich
Molly Burke
Sekou Dukuly
Kristin Emmons
Averi Haugesag
Rachel Hoffert
Philip Jensen
Brett Johnson
Jon Knutson
Derek LaBrie
Shauna Lawrence
Bourke Lodewyk
Sean McClain
Jake Miller
Joshua Nelson
Alan Oberg
Adam Swigost
Patti Tedjasukmana
Kyle Thorson
Dashell Thunder
Brian Tschosik
Tessa Vaagen

Non-Voting Members
Nick Creamer
Lexi Hanson
Ryan Brown
Abi Nadeau
John Mitzel
Ryan Fraase
Joe Kalka
Cassie Gerhardt

Visitors
Chase Johnson
Shannah Henk
Meghan Olson
Megan Hoffman

* Arrived after call to order
** Absent
*** Left before adjournment

CALL TO ORDER

Vice President Hanson called the 03/09/14 meeting of the UND Student Senate to order at 6:04 PM.

GUEST SPEAKERS
A. Dr. Lori Reesor (VPSA)
   President Kelley
   Alice Brekke (VPFO)

Dr. Reesor stated that she wanted to come and talk about the tuition increase and what happened with the State Board meeting. She is kicking off that introduction; President Kelley will talk more about it and Alice Brekke will go into logistics. They are also here to answer any questions.

President Kelley thanked everybody for allowing him to come speak. He stated that he would like to explain everybody where he comes from when he must make decisions regarding budget issues. Think about a pie chart, equally divided into fourths. The first piece has to do with state appropriation; the second piece is tuition and fees, the third piece is grants and contracts, and the
fourth piece is the auxiliary businesses of the university. The reality is that it is not all equally divided. If you take the first half, state appropriation and tuition and fees, and divide it out of a roughly 400 million dollar per year budget, some of it starts falling in place in a very memorable way. State appropriation and tuition and fees are linked, and what the legislature has wanted to do is to have the state pay approximately 60% of that amount, and have the students pay 40% of that half. However, reality is just the opposite, students pay about 60% of that half and the state pays about 40%. The number of students enrolled directly affects tuition and fees; it also directly affects auxiliary businesses. We can’t increase enrollment in an insane way because it would decrease the quality of the education. He sees the University of North Dakota as four pie slices and with a few tweaks they add up the total operating revenue of UND. He would be happy to answer any questions people may have on how the student piece of this interacts with the other pieces, and hopes that he can leave everybody with the idea that these are all connected.

Senator Thorson thanked President Kelley for coming and stated that one of the things they will be talking about tonight is the difference between a 4.9% tuition increase and the 3.7% increase. He asked if he could help him better understand the differences those rates will bring to UND.

President Kelley stated that they are not recommending 4.9% but are down to 3.72%. Over a year ago, as they were preparing the biennium budget they had a number of options having to do with the amount of state budget and tuition dollars and how they would balance out in a number of different scenarios. Option one listed all eleven institutions and UND was listed at 3.72%. Option 2 listed a different set of options and UND came out at 4.9%. It all had to do with the number of factors, and the 4.9% served as a cap, above which we cannot go. A couple of years ago there was a concern about an increase of 8.8% at NDSU, that was not a cap but a special request due to shortfalls at that institution. The 4.9% serves as a cap, and an option they are not going for. It was announced, however, they are recommending 3.72%.

Senator Johnson asked if he could speak a little on the numbers presented at the State Board of Higher Education meeting that the residence halls and housing have been concerned about.

VP Brekke stated that she is going to start with the residence hall question. When looking at the summary of the information pulled together at the system level, including the overall percentage increase for the room and board rates, UND has a 3.3% increase. It is her understanding that prior to these numbers coming to her level and then to President Kelley, there is significant discussion within the housing governance. There are upcoming projects, including the Wilkerson renovation project. It is also under her
understanding that one of the existing bond issues within housing will be paid off this spring. Because of this, there shouldn’t be a material impact on the rates. She also wants to provide clarification on the 4.9% compared to the 3.72%. As President Kelley described, there is a state share of our increase costs including salary increases, fringe benefit increases, and operating inflation. However, in the last legislative session, they did not fully fund the state share of 60%. When the Board of Higher Education considered options for a range of possible tuition increases, the 4.9% increase included both the student share and the unfunded state share, so that would have been the ceiling. The 3.72% increase was if the tuition increase was put in place to only fund the student share, which would then leave an unfunded piece of inflation and increased cost that the institution would have to figure out how to manage. When the Board of Higher Education set the cap for UND at 3.72%, they did that for the first year of the biennium, recognizing that they would make the decision for the second year this spring. We as an institution started planning at that time with the assumption that the 3.72% would carry through. He 3.72% under the original projection would have left us with about a $3.3 million shortfall, and with the data we are tracking, that amount is projected to be about $2.5 million. We have planning in place to identify how to balance the budget and live within the 3.72%. It is our intent to stay within the 3.72%. In the board documents, there was a concern about whether or not we had consulted with Student Government as we were developing fees and tuition. In the document there was a statement under item 4, it describes tuition increases, mandatory fees, and says “in all cases the representative student groups have been consulted and support the increase”. The use of the phrasing was unfortunate at the system level, that reference was to the mandatory fee increases and not the tuition increase as well. There were many campuses that had not had conversations with students about this topic, so she wanted to offer that clarification.

Senator Thorson asked that at the 3.72% there is a portion left unfunded by the state and UND has taken steps to reduce expenses, what does that mean for UND?

VP Brekke stated that there are many moving parts; she will provide examples of some of the things that cycle for us. Utilities are one item where each year it is a fixed cost, but some years it is greater than others, which gives some opportunity. They also look to put in place energy saving programs. Another example is the Minnesota reciprocity payment, because MN students benefit from an arrangement between the two states, the state of MN pays ND to help bridge between what the Minnesota student pays and what the actual cost is. They try hard not to include that in the base budget because it is not a set payment due to enrollment. Those are just two really simple examples but they look at many other little bits as well.
Senator Thorson asked if it was smaller costs and things versus larger ones.

VP Brekke stated that yes, that’s the most realistic way to do it so that they can maintain quality.

Senator McClain asked if salary increases are based on merit or how they are determined.

VP Brekke stated that it has been a number of years since an across the board cost of living increase was awarded. Typically, the guideline that is put in place would be setting an overall average target and within that average we need to look at merit, market, and at equity to determine what the increases are. Performance evaluations are required, so you have to have acceptable performance to get an increase. There are also certain positions in which they must compete to attract and retain people. The average increase for the next year is an overall 3% average, but that does not mean everybody gets a 3% increase.

Senator Oberg asked what the average salary increase the legislature expected for this past year compared to the actual increase.

VP Brekke stated that the target average was a 4% and a 3% in the biennium. She does not have the materials to tell you what it actually was, but she guesses that it was slightly above that. These targets are above all sources of funding.

G.A.C. Mitzel asked if she could explain how appropriations from the state have grown and changed over time.

VP Brekke stated that in recent years the legislature has been very generous to higher education. When we talk about an unfunded share, it is based upon a formula calculation of what it’s estimated to cost us to meet these average target increases. If there are not full resources to fund that formula, the institutions are still expected to meet those targets; we just have not been given the full amount of money to fund them. We then must look at our resources and adjust.

Senator Oberg asked if she could explain why they decided to add new positions this year rather than in following years.

VP Brekke stated that when you see a new position being recruited, it does not always mean it’s a new position above all of the other positions that already exist. Many times there are other vacancies where they are not filling staff that enables them to place a new position of higher priority.
VP Walton stated that the recently built position was one they had planned, structured, and hoped to fill over a year ago. They researched how they could structure their department to better consolidate to student’s needs and this position was what was recommended.

Senator Oberg stated that eliminating several lower positions to create a higher position costing the same amount can create a struggle.

VP Walton stated that every single position in their division is very important work. They find ways to best serve needs and in this case that was what was needed.

P.R.C. Kalka asked that based on the trends throughout the past couple of years is there any estimate of the breakdowns between how many students are coming to North Dakota from Minnesota versus how many are going to Minnesota from North Dakota.

VP Brekke stated that it is a roller coaster, and not very predictable. There are conversations at the system level looking at revising our tuition model, which may result in a different arrangement with the state of Minnesota. She doesn’t think we have the predictability to make a decision.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION

Senator Johnson moved to approve the 2/23/14 minutes without objection.

VOTE

(00:34:30) MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION

Senator Tschosik moved to suspend the bylaws to hear the approval of Dylan Berg.

SECOND

Senator McClain seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION

Senator Tschosik stated that the bylaws state that all positions should be advertised at least two weeks before the interview is held. This position was advertised starting March 3rd, and the interview was held on March 7th, which is not the requisite two weeks. He stated that it is up to everybody if they would like to move forward with this and appoint him now rather than wait two weeks.

Senator Oberg asked if there is a special need for this to be approved now versus in two weeks.
Senator Tschosik stated that the Communications Director receives a stipend of $500 for their work. He will be reformatting the website and will only be able to be in the office for a month. If they wait two weeks he will have a shorter amount of time to complete the project.

(00:37:50) MOTION CARRIED.

Senator Tschosik moved to approve the Communications Director.

Senator Jensen seconded the motion.

Senator Oberg stated that he would like to hear from the candidate himself.

D. Berg introduced himself as a junior with an entrepreneurship and management major. He has been on UPC for the past two years and directed the marketing aspect. Last fall, he was the Vice Chair of UPC. He served as the Public Relations Coordinator of Phi Delta Theta and now serves as the Vice President.

Senator Thorson asked what experience he has working with Omni Update.

D. Berg stated that he has not worked with Omni Update, but he has helped with the UPC website and integrating the Facebook page with the program.

Senator Thorson asked how he anticipates learning to use that program since most of what he will be doing is with the website using it.

D. Berg stated that he plans to learn on his own over spring break.

Senator Thorson asked why he wants to do this.

D. Berg stated that he has a passion for student engagement and would like to expand his involvement in student government beyond UPC. He is very good at learning things without a lot of direction.

Senator Thorson asked how he heard about this position.

D. Berg stated that he saw it on the Student Government website.

Senator Oberg asked what other positions he is filling right now having to do with social media and public relations.
D. Berg stated that he no longer is the Public Relations Coordinator of Phi Delta Theta because he has moved to Vice President so that is no longer in his job description.

Senator Oberg stated that he is listed as the Communications Director of a campaign for Tanner Franklin and Brett Johnson.

D. Berg stated that yes, he is.

Senator LaBrie asked if that position could become a conflict of interest for him.

D. Berg stated no, it will not be.

**DISCUSSION**

Senator Thorson asked why this position wouldn’t fall under P.R.C. Kalka.

P.R.C. Kalka stated that there are a couple of reasons that they decided to go with a new position moving forward. When breaking down all of the things that fall under the P.R.C. position, and the many other duties that it requires, it seemed appropriate to create a new position.

G.A.C. Mitzel stated that a big part of it is that they want to ensure that the marketing for UPC is done very well, so they are going to have Joe present in all of those conversations to make sure that anything on our end we can do is fulfilled. In addition, we have talked about improving the social media and website a lot this year and it is still not what we want it to be.

Senator Thorson asked if anybody on the executive team has experience using Omni Update.

P.R.C. Kalka stated that he does.

Senator Thorson asked if he would be able to train somebody else on how to use it.

P.R.C. Kalka stated that with the help of Andrew, yes.

Senator Thorson asked if Andrew does a lot of the website right now.

P.R.C. Kalka stated that his position is to facilitate the ideas coming from students, not to create the ideas, and Omni Update is something he is very good at.

C. Gerhardt stated that Andrew’s position is just what Joe said. His job is to assist with operations with direction from both senate and the executive team. He has received the Omni Update training.
and can help with that but as far as what is posted and where he is looking for some more input.

Senator Thorson asked who is funding this position.

Vice President Hanson stated that it is coming out of presidential reserves.

Senator Thorson asked if it will be something continued on next year.

Vice President Hanson stated that it is not up to them to make that call.

G.A.C. Mitzel stated that every executive team can create any positions that they believe are necessary.

Senator Thorson asked if this position would fit within the executive team.

Vice President Hanson stated that yes, it is.

Senator Thorson asked if he can do that because he is actively working on a campaign.

G.A.C. Mitzel stated that they are allowed to do that.

C.Gerhardt stated that what people do outside of the office is their choice as students. It may not be discussed or promoted in the office.

Senator Thorson asked why this position wasn’t created earlier and the justification for not properly advertising the position.

Vice President Hanson stated that while she cannot speak on behalf of the advertisements, when she heard about the position on February 27th she emailed it out. As for why it just came up now, it was brought up that during election season and towards the end of the year, there still wasn’t as much advertising as we had hoped. More specifically, with Spring Jam and that marketing since we are putting a lot of money into the event.

G.A.C. Mitzel stated that his impression with Spring Jam is that they serve as the legislative team and appropriated the funds, but it is the executive team to make sure that they are using those funds well.

Senator Thorson asked if they have a marketing team to do that.

G.A.C. Mitzel stated that yes, and this position would help facilitate that team to make sure everything that they are doing is
what we want and providing the resources that we have that they do not.

Senator McClain stated that as the President of Phi Delta Theta, the things that he has been able to pull off in such short amount of times, he would pay multiples of $500 for. Their social media presence alone is ridiculous and what he will be able to do with the Spring Jam alone is worth it. He believes he will be the best candidate; he works with multiple organizations and has a great work ethic. He thinks this is an asinine conversation and would highly encourage everybody to approve this person for this position immediately.

Senator Oberg stated that he has a few questions for Mr. Berg. First, when you left UPC what was the reason resigning.

D. Berg stated that what he was getting out of Vice Chair was no longer furthering himself as a person anymore, so he found it in his best interest or the students for him to be Vice Chair anymore so that they could find somebody else to fill the position. The duties of that job were things he was able to do easily and it was no longer expanding his abilities.

Senator Oberg asked what the reason was that he told UPC.

D. Berg stated that exact reason.

Senator Oberg stated that he had heard that part of the reason was working with his fraternity and he didn’t think he had time to do both.

D. Berg stated that at that point in time that was a conflict as he had just joined the fraternity and taking on a position in which he didn’t know how much time it entailed. However, that is no longer an issue as his time commitments have changed.

Senator Oberg stated that a member of UPC told him that during his time as Vice Chair he refused to work on Facebook.

D. Berg stated that UPC, as on Student Government, has guidelines for each position. The way he likes to work is that he only likes to complete the job responsibilities that are assigned to him. What was happening was that there were people on UPC who very much wanted to do it and he made an agreement with Kristina LeMire that he would not be doing the Facebook page, but Tom Bergman would be.

Senator Oberg asked if it was part of his responsibilities.

D. Berg stated that yes it was, but there was somebody else who really wanted to do it and would do a good job at it.
Senator Oberg asked if this is going to be a subdivision of Public Relations or if it will be its own division. Would it have the authority to access the Public Relations budget or would all purchases have to go through John.

P.R.C. Kalka stated that he would say he will have access to it.

Treasurer Nadeau stated that anything he spends on Facebook, she will receive a receipt for, and then she will decide where it goes.

Senator Oberg stated that if a senator wants to spend money on advertising, would they be able to do so without consulting Nick or Joe beforehand.

G.A.C. Mitzel said absolutely not.

Senator Oberg asked who is going to be facilitating the marketing for elections, Joe or Dylan.

P.R.C. Kalka stated that they don’t know if he is getting approved so they have not decided on that.

Senator Oberg asked what position it would fall under.

P.R.C. Kalka stated that that is a conversation they will have later on, but it would probably be himself.

Senator Oberg asked if there are any set guidelines or job description for the position.

Treasurer Nadeau stated that yes, there is a preliminary description.

Senator Oberg stated that his point is that a candidate sees his job as only doing what his position entails.

G.A.C. Mitzel stated that if he is approved he will be given specific tasks.

Vice President Hanson stated that this position is because we need help as an executive team and he would be expected to follow instructions as her and Nick see fit.

Senator Oberg stated that Andrew has been training the AA’s to work on the website for a few months and they still need help on how to work it so he has trouble believing he will be able to figure it out so quickly.

Treasurer Nadeau stated that the AA’s have addition responsibilities that don’t include posting things on the website,
so somebody having that as their only responsibility should help with that.

Senator Oberg stated that he puts a lot of time into his position to receive his scholarship so he has a problem with somebody receiving the same scholarship for only being here for a couple months.

G.A.C. Mitzel stated that he will be receiving the $500 scholarship because it is about half of the amount that is received for an entire semester and he will be here for about half of a semester, and putting in many hours.

Senator Jensen stated that he is also a member of Phi Delta Theta and that it is unbelievable how much work Dylan Berg has done with their Public Relations and encourages everybody to approve his position. He will make a monumental change for Spring Jam.

Senator Johnson stated that he would second all of the personal comments about the candidate. Also, do not use rumors that you may have heard about this position to make a decision. Secondly, he stated that it is not our job as senators to say what the job duties of the executive team are. The overall need for this position is huge with all of the events coming up. Based upon the huge investment into Spring Jam, we need to ensure that it will be as successful as possible and this position will ensure that.

Senator Tschosik urged everybody not to take his motion as a sign of support; he does not think we should add this position. He does not think it is practical to give somebody this position for only a month when there is no concrete plan.

Senator McClain stated that he can guarantee everybody that he will do this because he has already done it, it is what he does.

C.Gerhardt stated that this position is not included in the constitution or bylaws. Should this position even be before this body, or is this a position that can be hired as a consultant by President Creamer out of his reserve.

Senator Johnson stated that this is more of the executive team being forthright about what they are intending to do. President Creamer could definitely spend this money on whatever he wishes.

Senator Tschosik stated that because he would be a Student Government position he would need to come before all of our application processes.

C.Gerhardt stated that she is asking for clarification as an advisor, because it is not being added to the bylaws permanently. Should
this position not be approved, could President Creamer hire a consultant next week.

Senator Jensen stated that there are two options, not approve him and President Creamer can hire him as a consultant, or we can approve him and have him work on Spring Jam and other capacities. It would make no sense not to approve him.

Senator Tschosik stated that there is a difference between the two options. One of them has our support and the other does not.

Senator Jensen stated that as a body we have a duty to give our students the best faculty and he believes that Dylan Berg is the best.

Senator Oberg stated that he agrees with Senator Tschosik’s comments. We have the options of giving him are stamp of approval or not. If President Creamer decides to hire him besides the fact it may become a PR problem.

Senator Miller asked Cassie if she thinks it is at all possible to learn what he needs to learn on Omni Update in four weeks in order to complete what is expected.

C. Gerhardt stated that while she is trained, once you know how to use it, it is fairly easy to go in and make updates if you have background in this program. Andrew can help with that, but it is not his job to come up with the ideas, so he can be used as a great resource.

Senator Thorson stated that in Financial Wellness his position uses Omni Update and he thinks it will be possible to make some basic updates but he won’t be able to completely revamp the website. If you are willing to put in the time and work it should be possible to do the work that needs to be done.

**MOTION**

Senator Tschosik moved to close debate.

**SECOND**

Senator Oberg seconded the motion.

**VOTE**

*(01:26:25) MOTION CARRIED.*

**VOTE**

*(01:27:35) Motion carried to approve Communications Director.*

**REPORTS**

Executive Reports
President
President Creamer was not present but his report was sent out via email.

Vice President
Vice President stated that she is continuing the McCannel Hall Building Committee meetings and is now on a furniture subcommittee meeting, the colors are currently blue and mauve. The last candidate for AVP for Diversity is this week.

Chief of Staff
C.O.S. Brown stated that UPC is looking for volunteers to help with the Spring Jam concert and senator involvement would be appreciated, also inform your constituents about the opportunity.

Treasurer
Treasurer Nadeau stated the amount for the FY14 unallocated receivables and investments is $84,886.66. The amount for the unallocated FY14 receivables is $26,512.87. She will be working on the financial statements and reconciliations this week and will have them up on the website before spring break.

Governmental Affairs Commissioner
G.A.C. Mitzel stated that he emailed out his report if anybody has any questions. Higher Education Day is the 26th and has heard back from about half; any open spots will be open up to the student body.

Director of Internal Affairs
D.I.C. Fraase apologized for not being able to send out his report in advance. They held their second parking meeting this Wednesday and created nine proposals to have President Creamer bring to the administration, after the meeting they narrowed it down to four proposals.

Public Relations Coordinator
P.R.C. Kalka stated that he emailed out his report if anybody had any questions.

Subcommittees

Judicial
Vice President Hanson yielded to Senator Tschosik, Chair of the Judicial Committee.

Senator Tschosik stated that today they talked about the Communications Director position as well as SB1314-26 that has been tabled and general discussion on SB1314-27.

Appropriations
Vice President Hanson yielded to Senator Johnson, Chair of the Appropriations Committee.

Senator Johnson stated that today they heard SB1314-25 for the second time and it passed unanimously.
State & Local

Vice President Hanson yielded to Senator LaBrie, Vice Chair of the State and Local subcommittee.

Senator LaBrie stated that they tabled SR1314-13 and passed SR1314-14 with a grammatical and sponsor amendment.

Standing Committees

SOFA

Vice President Hanson yielded to the senate liaison of SOFA, Senator Johnson.

Senator Johnson stated that SOFA has heard a number of organization and will take any questions now or after meeting.

UPC

Vice President Hanson yielded to senate liaison of UPC, Senator Haugesag.

Senator Haugesag stated that they are looking for Spring Jam volunteers and is encouraging people to volunteer.

Elections Committee

Vice President Hanson yielded to Elections Chair, Senator Oberg.

Senator Oberg stated that they finalized the Elections Committee members. They are just about done approving elections packets. As for student senate, there are 11 off campus, 1 residence hall, 1 university apartments, 1 greek housing, 3 aerospace, 1 education, 2 arts and sciences, 1 law, 1 honors, and 1 business candidate on the ballot. The forum dates will be April 2nd from 7-8pm for the executive tickets, April 8th from 4-6pm, and April 14th from 7-9pm.

Special Reports

Constituent Reports

Senator Thorson stated that he has found funding for the graduate students through private donors. He continues to work on the Graduate Student Working Group if anybody has any thoughts or ideas for him.

Senator Johnson stated that there was some dissatisfaction on how UPC handled the Catching Fire event, as they left students without notification on what was happening.

D.I.A. Fraase stated that he has been meeting with a lot of people about having him bring constituents reports to the floor. He has heard about contracting housing issues with on campus apartments, specifically parking.
G.A.C. Mitzel stated that he is asking the State Board to present the need for the increase and what will happen if we don't get it.

Vice President stated that they would like them to say what they would do with this money or what they would do if they did not have the money.

Senator Thorson states that he feels comfortable passing this bill.

VOTE

(01:55:21) MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

R. Vallie stated that he is a first year law student at UND. He stated that these policies and procedures are very much needed. He served on the State Board of Higher Education and experienced the past tuition increase suggestion of NDSU. UND has historically been good about remaining cheaper than its comparing universities and encourages the 3.72% increase. He wants to make sure that they ensure their intent to the State Board of benefitting UND while understanding the consequences on other institutions.

Senator Thorson asked if he is stating that by advocating for the 3.72% increase, he thinks the State Board will fight back with the same situation being applied at other institutions.

R. Vallie stated that would be the understanding and analysis he has seen.

Senator Thorson asked if it would be essential to advocate for the 3.72% for us while taking into consideration the needs of other institutions.

R. Vallie stated yes, that is very important.

G.A.C. Mitzel stated that one of the reasons they added the clause to seek feedback was to gain feedback from other institutions as well.

ADJOURNMENT

The 03/09/14 meeting of the Student Senate was adjourned without objection at 8:14 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lexi Hanson
Chair

Taylor Nelson
Recording Secretary
# STUDENT SENATE
## ATTENDANCE RECORD

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