UND Student Senate
Sunday, April 27th, 2014
River Valley Room
6:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order

II. Guest Speakers
A. Dr. Lori Reesor – VP of Student Affairs and Alice Brekke – VP of Finance and Operations

III. Approval of Consent Agenda
A. UPC Members
1. Jordan Cespedes – Chair
2. BJ Welle – Vice Chair
3. Cassy Landborg – Performing Arts
4. Ole Landborg – Marketing Associate
5. Cheyenne Johnson – Membership Coordinator
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C. UPC Bylaws
D. Election Results (document attached)

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3. Chief of Staff
4. Treasurer
5. Public Relations Coordinator
6. State Governmental Affairs Commissioner
7. Director of Internal Affairs
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B. Special Reports
1. Constituent Reports
2. Other Matters Arising

V. Unfinished Business
A. SR 1314-16 Full-Time Student Status
B. SB 1314-32 Study-a-Thon Spring 2014
C. SB 1314-33 Memorial Union Student Lounge and Study Space

VI. New Business
A. SR 1314-18 American Indian Students
B. SB 1314-35 SOFA and Senate Bylaw Changes

VII. Announcements/Public Comment

VIII. Adjournment

**********All are Welcome to Attend**********
## STUDENT SENATE
### ATTENDANCE RECORD

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

Visitors
Jordan Cespedes  
Cory Carivau  
Collin Hanson  
Cassy Landberg  
Shawn Wagner  
Kristina LeMire  
Shelby Wood  
Cheyenne Johnson  
Olivia Landberg  
Jake Vivier  
Megan Hoffman  
Sam Warnoff

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

CALL TO ORDER
Vice President Hanson called the 04/27/14 meeting of the UND Student Senate to order at 6:02 PM.

GUEST SPEAKERS

A. Dr. Lori Reesor and Alice Brekke

Guest speakers L. Reesor and A. Brekke came to discuss Pathways to Students’ Success. L. Reesor said that this program has three components, Admissions Formula, Developmental Remediation, and Tuition Model. The current Admissions Formula includes a minimum 2.5 GPA or a 21 on the ACT. Admissions have been worked with more closely, and if a student cannot gain admission on the above two criteria, then a holistic review is conducted. They will look at their core GPA, did they take core classes, external factors, etc. They have been working with NDSU on a formula, and after all the data, it has been determined that the high school GPA is the best indicator.
The new formula that they will present to the NDSU board will have a high school GPA of 2.7, and keep the ACT score the same. On May 7th, the proposal will go to the Academic Affairs Counsel and the counterparts in the Provost. After that, the goal is to present this to the State Board of Higher Education in July.

Senator Swigost asked if they knew what percentage of UND students would have met the new standards in previous years, and if a significant drop-off is expected.

L. Reesor responded that even if students do not meet the minimum requirements, then they are still encouraged to apply so that they may be regarded on a case by case basis. This new formula allows for this holistic approach.

J. Mitzel asked what percentage of students does she expect would have to appeal their admissions because they were going off of the old standards.

L. Reesor replied that these changes will not take effect until 2016, and that these students will have time to raise their GPA.

Senator Vaagen asked if they hoped to see increased enrollment, or if they think it will remain the same.

L. Reesor said they were looking at maintaining the same freshman. However, there is a push from the state and committee to grow, and she is unopposed as long as there is available funding.

Senator McClain asked how these new standards will be adapted to international students and home schooled students, and how life experience will be taken into account.

L. Reesor replied that there is an entire section, called “Non-cognitive,” devoted to these situations, with ample criteria taking it into consideration.

Senator Oberg asked how many would need to be approved outside of these criteria.

L. Reesor said that she did not know at this point. The point of this formula is to help students be successful. This is about helping these students reach their highest level of academic success.

A. Brekke said that they began to work on the full time student amount a few years ago. The central question was how much does it cost to attend UND. There are many factors included in this issue, and it gets very complicated very quickly. She said that if a student were to take 12 credits a semester, they would not
graduate in four years. A student would have to be enrolled in 15 credits in order to graduate in four years. The tuition model is based on tiers, with the three groups working collaboratively to figure out an appropriate tuition model. The changes must be announced in Fall 2014. The change would be at a per credit tuition model, with a cap at 15 credits instead of the current 12 credits. The rates will most likely be different by program. The non-mandatory fees, such as the course fees, would be eliminated, with some exceptions. For example, the flight fees will remain in the Aviation department. Residency rates will also be addressed, as well as various program fees.

Senator McClain asked if the graduation rates at 12 credits will be examined before switching to the 15 credit model.

L. Reesor said that the graduation rates have been stable for the last 3-5 years.

A. Brekke commented that balancing the semester by semester cost as well as incentivizing students as quickly as possible is what is driving the university to raise the minimum credits to 15.

Senator McClain asked if next semester he would be paying for 12 credits next semester, or 15 credits.

A. Brekke said that she cannot answer that question at the present.

Senator McClain if the new system will be easier to understand, especially regarding where a student’s dollars are going and how the system will affect them.

A. Brekke said that it would clearly delineate where a student’s money is going, and what it is covering.

J. Kalka asked where the per credit hour rate would stop.

A. Brekke responded that she thinks 12 credits will be the threshold for a full time student, from financial aid’s standpoint.

J. Kalka asked what the impact this change will have on student GPAs.

A. Brekke said that she has not seen this kind of data from the other university systems who have implemented this new system.

J. Kalka asked what would happen to the financial burden to those students who have been taking advantage of the 12 credit cap by taking more classes and only paying for 12 credits.

A. Brekke replied there have been many discussions regarding this, and the goal has been to look at the overall cost for the
average student. There will be an increase for some students, and others will see a decrease. There is not one perfect system that can take care of each student’s needs.

Senator Thorson asked how course fees will be assigned, and how will they be blended into the fees in the new system.

A. Brekke said that there will be an approval process, where the course has to be approved by the board and President Kelly will sign off on it. From there, the dollars associated with that course are separated out and sent back to the department that teaches the course. Those dollars are put into a fund for the department to use in order to cover the costs of teaching that course.

Senator Thorson asked how those dollars are requested by the departments.

A. Brekke responded that they are reworking a budget for these departments, where specific decisions are outlined. Estimates would be allocated to the departments.

Senator Thorson said that one of the big concerns he has seen from student is how the new system would affect those living in the residence halls. How will those be addressed?

A. Brekke replied that she does not have a clear answer at this point, but she will include this in her implementation task force and it will be addressed. Currently, she is looking at the big picture, and the details will be addressed once the large framework is worked out.

Senator Oberg asked what other moving parts there are, outside of tuition fees, course fees, etc.

A. Brekke said that there are residency fees, and there will be a variety of impacts across the board. The charge will be revenue neutral to the institution.

Senator Swigost asked there is a way for the professional schools, such as the medical school and law school, to vote on passing a waiver for those students since their tuition models are so different from the rest of the university’s.

A. Brekke said that they have yet to delve into the what ifs of this issue, and these will be addressed.

S. Warnoff saw this system as a penalization on those students who do not want to graduate in four years, and these decisions should come from the students, not the administrators.
A. Brekke responded that there are a handful of programs that will retain a higher rate of tuition. The university is not looking to average all of the programs. Course fees will roll into tuition fees, and they are trying to balance these issues out.

J. Mitzel asked if the speakers could clarify the course fees.

A. Brekke said that there is a Pathways to Students’ Success document on the North Dakota University System website that talks about rates in regards to residency status under the Accountability section. There, international students and other issues are addressed.

J. Mitzel asked if they fear a backlash in the legislature when the costs for instate residents increase as the costs for out of state residents decrease.

A. Brekke replied no, she does not think so. The state wants to retain residents from out of state, and the main way to do this is through higher education.

R. Fraase asked if the per credit rate would remain the same.

A. Brekke said that the per credit rate would be calculated based on all of the moving parts. There would be a base on the graduate per credit rate, and there would be deferential tuition for different programs, such as the law and medical schools. These would be higher than the base rate fees. It would not necessarily be lower to take the base 12 credits and divide it by 15.

Senator Haugesag asked if they knew why these students take 12 credits rather than 15 credits.

L. Reesor responded that one, financial aid says that a student has to take 12 credits to be full time, and two, there are advisors who tell the students to only take 12 credits. Furthermore, there is a culture in higher education that says to start slow. However, there is a culture shift for students to take more, earlier.

Senator Haugesag asked if they had looked into improving those departments, or educating advisors on a mandatory change.

L. Reesor said that they were looking into all of them, including improving academic advising, assuring that all classes are available in order to finish in four years, etc.

Senator Haugesag asked if they thought making these changes without the 15 credit cap is attainable.
L. Reesor replied that it was necessary, and the universities nationwide who are implementing this change has seen large success rates.

Senator Oberg asked how differential rates would impact essential studies for the students in the professional schools.

A. Brekke responded that the specific fees to those programs would remain separate from the rest of the tuition fees.

Senator Oberg asked how are they planning on discussing these issues when a majority of the student body will be absent over the summer.

A. Brekke replied that there is a scheduled meeting with NDSU system for thinking through numbers in July. Further discussion beyond that is unsure.

L. Reesor commented that there are ways that the students can be a part of the conversation, such as NDSA, etc. This process has been going on for a year, and they have been trying to get feedback over the last year. The issues raised at this meeting not be addressed this year, but will be raised next year.

Senator Oberg responded that he feels that this process is being rushed without student input, and that it needs to slow down. This issue was only brought up at the last University Senate meeting, and the Senate has not been involved up until this point.

Senator Lawrence commented that the collegiate experience is not purely academic. There are extracurricular activities, internships, career seminars, and forcing students to take three additional credits would have negative impact on student grades because that will be taking away study time for the four classes they had originally planned to take.

L. Reesor replied that they do not have data on this issue yet, but there are students who take 18 and more credits with 4.0 GPAs and participate in other activities as well. The 15 credits is not mandatory, this is just a tuition model.

Senator Lawrence asked how students attending UND on scholarships would be affected.

L. Reesor responded that they will need to be at the 15 credits, but there will be other options available to them. Exceptions could be made.

Senator Tedjasukmana asked if this will affect the athletic department.
Senator Tschosik asked if they are incentivizing the average student to take more than 15 credits.

L. Reesor will still choose how many classes they will take. Knowing that they can take the fifteen will help incoming students balance their classes.

Senator Johnson asked if they would consider giving the option of fifteen credits rather than making it mandatory.

L. Reesor said that they are fulfilling state requirements, and that this came from the state, not them.

Senator McClain asked if increasing tuition will hurt those students who work and pay their own way through school.

L. Reesor replied that they will work with each student individually to help them make the best decisions for themselves.

Senator Oberg asked if having a 15 credit average would be a better option than making 15 credits the full time amount.

L. Reesor responded that there are a lot of variables, and he transition for the first year is difficult for most students.

J. Mitzel asked if the way this requirement is labeled could be adjusted, so that those who are members of organizations that require full time will not be affected if they want to drop down to 12 credits.

L. Reesor replied that they would work with the chapters and other organizations on this issue.

In closing, L. Reesor apologized that Senate had not heard about this issue until now. The committees wanted to get everything ready and lined out before it was brought to them. Finally, she wanted to talk about the Union Renovation Resolution. The costs for this project are estimated at 30% higher than what was anticipated. There were unanticipated changes, and there will be hard decisions that will need to be made in the near future. The Resolution before Senate tonight has two parts, including Renovation and Furniture, will need to be increased in order to account for the 30%. If Senate does not want to approve this funding, then the committee will return the funds. Additionally, Senate could use the McCannell Hall funds could be used for this renovation project.

Senator Swigost asked if they used the McCannell Hall funds, would Senate still need to draw on their funds to cover the discrepancies.
V. President Hanson responded that the One Stop shop is funded, but the others need funding.

L. Reesor stated there are enough funds in the McCannell Hall funds to cover the entire renovations without having to draw on the Senate funds.

Senator Thorson asked if they do not change the funds, what will the McCannell Hall funds be used for.

L. Reesor replied that the McCannell Hall funds can be used to renovate McCannell Hall.

Senator Thorson asked if this includes furniture.

A. Nadeau replied that the furniture portion and the renovation portion are two different numbers. The renovation portion would need to be increased, but the furniture portion would remain the same.

Senator Thorson asked if they had these three options at the moment: one, they continue to use their reserves and use a portion of the McCannell Hall funds, two, use all of the McCannell Hall funds, or three, they could not change it and not approve the funding.

L. Reesor responded that this was correct.

**MOTION**

Senator Johnson moved to take a five minute recess without objection.

**VOTE**

*(01:42:51) MOTION CARRIED.*

Meeting called back to order.

**MOTION**

Senator Tschosik moved to pull SB1314-32 from committee, and to approve it without objection.

Senator McClain asked for a point of clarification on approving the bill without objection.

Senator Tschosik replied that if they approved it now, then they would be able to skip all of the discussion and other parliamentary procedure.

V. President Hanson commented that Senator Tschosik’s motion would bring it from committee and bring it to discussion all at once.

Senator Emmons objected the second half of the motion, but does not object to it being brought from committee.
APPROVALS

Senator Tchosik rescinded his motion.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION Senator Tchosik moved to approve the consent agenda sections A and D, not C and B, without objection.

Senator Oberg objected, saying he needed to make some changes to the election results.

MOTION Senator Tchosik moved to approve section A of the consent agenda without objection.

VOTE (01:45:20) MOTION CARRIED.

UPC members were approved.

MOTION Senator LaBrie moved to extend the meeting time until 10 pm without objection.

VOTE (01:45:47) MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION Senator Oberg moved to amend item B on the Consent Agenda without objection. He added Travis Clark as the Graduate School representative, and Marissa Cerkoney under University Senate. The rest are still unconfirmed.

V. President Hanson clarified those who were confirmed and unconfirmed in the elections results.

VOTE (01:46:50) MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION Senator Oberg moved to approve the 2014 Election Results without objection.

VOTE (01:47:05) MOTION CARRIED.

REPORTS

Executive Reports

President President Creamer reported that the Parking Office was willing to change the inter parking policy, including the six citation policy. It was moved to ten citations. They are also discussing students who may go forward with the appeals processes.
Finally, there is a specific pass where you can park on campus after 6 pm.

Senator McClain asked when the parking system will be implemented.

President Creamer responded that the new policy will most likely be approved at the next meeting in May or June.

Senator Oberg asked if they could just park at the Wellness Center.

President Creamer responded that they would not go for it.

**Vice President**  
V. President Hanson reported that they suggested a Wellness Center be created at the last Parking meeting.

She also said that she was continuing to meet with the McCannell Hall building committee. There are issues with the windows, including fire proof glass, and other problems. They have to be fire proof in order to meet the building code. Furthermore, they are talking about making a parking lot behind Archives at the Transportation meeting. Additionally, there is a new app for bus routes and a parking app that will be available soon.

**Chief of Staff**  
R. Brown stated that he sent his report out, and opened for questions.

**Treasurer**  
A. Nadeau stated that she sent out her report. The unallocated fiscal year 2014 receivables is $20,812.87. The allowable unallocated fiscal year 2014 receivables investments amount totals to $119,186.66.

**Public Relations Coordinator**  
J. Kalka sent out his report.

**Governmental Affairs Commissioner**  
J. Mitzel sent out his report.

**Director of Internal Affairs**  
R. Fraase sent out an email about the Student Organization issues.

**Subcommittees**

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

Senator Tschosik stated that they discussed SB 1314-25 and SB 1314-36.

**Appropriations**  
Vice President Hanson yielded to Senator Johnson, Chair of the Appropriations Committee.
Senator Johnson stated they talked about SB 1314-32 and SB 1314-33, and that both bills were passed.

**State & Local**

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

Senator Oberg stated that they discussed and passed the Full Time Student bill.

**Standing Committees**

**SOFA**

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

Senator Johnson stated that they conducted the SOFA retreat.

**UPC**

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

C. Gerhardt reported that there will be the Spring Jam concert on Saturday, with about 3,675 tickets distributed to students. There will be buses going from campus to the Alerus Center. Parking at the Alerus Center will not be free.

**Elections Committee**

Vice President Hanson yielded to Elections Committee Chair, Senator Oberg.

Senator Oberg reported that there were a few more names to confirm.

**Special Reports**

**Constituent Reports**

No constituent reports.

**Other Matters Arising**

Senator Emmons asked what happened with the Logic Concert.

Senator Johnson responded that the concert took place two weeks ago.

Senator LaBrie reported that NDSA met over the weekend where their budget was approved. There was $75,000 in reserve, and they are looking to use some of it. They also discussed Open resources, where they discussed encouraging faculty to utilize the resource but will not advocate for it to be mandatory.

J. Mitzel asked what the plans were for the $75,000 in reserve.
Senator LaBrie responded that NDSA was going to spend $44,000 while bringing in $44,000.

Senator Oberg commented that this budget is smaller than last year’s.

**MOTION**

Senator McClain made a motion for a ten minute recess without objection.

**VOTE**

**(02:16:10) MOTION CARRIED.**

Meeting was called back to order at 8:36 pm.

Senator Thorson stated that Kyle Thomas Cassman’s visitation is tomorrow, April 28, and the memorial is the day after in Fargo. He offers his condolences to his family and friends on behalf of Student Government.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A. SR 1314-16**

Senator LaBrie discussed the full time student issue, and the purpose of this resolution is to urge the administrators not to make the full time status 15 credits.

**MOTION**

Senator McClain moved to approve SR 1314-16.

**DISCUSSION**

Senator Lodewyk seconded the motion.

**MOTION**

Senator Oberg made a motion to be named a sponsor on SR 1314 16 without objection.

**VOTE**

**(02:21:39) MOTION CARRIED.**

Senator Thorson commented that he is unsure that the resolution reflects what the guest speakers were talking about in their presentation. He feels that it should read from a policy point of view, since the departments try to package their degrees as four year programs. Furthermore, he feels that it might be premature to vote on this resolution since the policies have not been finished yet.

**MOTION**

Senator McClain moved to amend line 24, and change “receive no credit” to “receive no academic credit” without objection.

**VOTE**

**(02:24:49) MOTION CARRIED.**

Senator LaBrie said the reason line four was worded the way it was, it because they shortened the time from 4.5 years to 4.
Additionally, he feels this is the perfect time to pass the resolution because nothing has been hashed out or voted on yet.

Senator Tedjasukmana said that she would like the resolution to mention something about the athletic department, since they have so much on their plate already without having to take 15 credits just to remain in the team.

Senator McClain read an email he received from his constituent, outlining how the 15 credit full time status will negatively impact them. McClain also asserted that if this were to pass, it would have a very long term effect and it needs to be given the weight it deserves. Finally, he urged the Senate body to insert more strong language in this resolution.

**MOTION**

Senator Thorson moved to amend between lines 50-52, “therefore be it further moved that the Student Senate encourages the University of North Dakota Administration pay special attention to the topics of tuition costs, scholarships, residence hall life, student organizations, and student athletes in their discussions regarding this policy and its ramifications to the student community” without objection.

Senator Labrie asked if it was amending the wording of the clause, or if this was being inserted in the resolution.

Senator Thorson responded that it would be inserted between the two lines.

**VOTE**

**(02:39:34) MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION**

Senator McClain moved to amend line four to read “Discussion shows these changes will show an increased financial burden with little tangible facts, and” without objection.

Senator Oberg objected.

**MOTION**

Senator McClain made a formal motion to make the above amendments.

Senator Labrie seconded the motion.

**DISCUSSION**

Senator Swigost commented that he felt this was an inflammatory and unprofessional statement, especially when these policies have not yet been finalized.

Senator Emmons stated that she likes this amendment, except for the words “little tangible facts,” because there are tangible facts reflecting these impacts.
MOTION

Senator Emmons moved to amend the amendment by striking the words “with little tangible facts.”

Senator McClain asked a point of fact, and asked Senator Emmons if she would like to insert some other language in that line’s place.

Senator Oberg suggested the change be “that outweighs the benefits.”

Senator McClain made a friendly amendment to Senator Emmons’s amendment to change it to “that doesn’t show potential to outweigh the benefits.”

Senator Emmons accepted the friendly amendment.

MOTION

Senator Swigost made a motion to accept the friendly amendment.

Senator LaBrie seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION

No additional discussion on the friendly amendment.

VOTE

(02:48:21) MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION

Senator Vaagen commented that she does not feel that any other legislative body would add such language to a bill, and that this amendment is setting a dangerous precedent. She also expressed that she does not want her voice attached to this amendment without it being better clarified.

VOTE

(02:51:00) MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION

The Senate body moved back into discussion regarding the approval of SR 1314-16.

Senator Emmons commented that a problem she finds with this resolution is the financial issues surrounding this renovation. She is concerned about an increased financial burden on students with the increase in costs. Therefore, she feels that this resolution is very important.

Senator LaBrie asserted that through this increase in credit requirements, extra-curricular activities as well as inter disciplinary involvement will be hindered. He read different emails from students in his constituency opposed to the credit hike. These students express that they work full time as well as attend school, and assert that if this credit hike passes, they will attend a different university.
Senator Swigost asserted that UND is not forcing students to take the 15 credits. Additionally, UND already has a low graduation rate, and he does not foresee UND scheming to get more money out of the student body. Also, working around work schedules and involvement will be a moving discussion, and it will take time to hammer out the details. Finally, Swigost said that he trusts UND’s administration, and they are not proposing something that is widely out of the ordinary.

MOTION

Senator Tedjasukmana moved to add a clause to the resolution, saying “whereas student athletes are required to maintain full time student status, as well as to attend practices in competitions, travel to away competitions, attend required NCAA meetings, and complete volunteer hours, and whereas student athletes must also complete all degree related extra-curricular activities, such as flights, marketing goals, education experiences, internships, etc, and…” without objection.

VOTE

(03:02:11) MOTION CARRIED.

Senator Vaagen commented that she graduated under graduate in three years, with a large amount of credits, in addition to working part time. She also said that when employers interview her, they ask about her time management skills. This, she felt, is at the heart of the administration’s push for an increase in full time requirements. Furthermore, she had an issue with the language expressing that the school owes the students something. She asserted that students need to be aware of the contracts they agree to.

Senator Nelson feels that a lot of these administrative changes could be solved through programming, such as training advisors to encourage their students to take 15 credits.

MOTION

Senator Oberg moved to make an amendment, under Senator Tedjasukmana’s amendment. He asked it to say “whereas, many education students are required to complete extra-curricular experiences and do not receive academic credit for these, and…” without objection.

A Senator objected to this amendment.

MOTION

Senator Oberg made a formal motion to make the above amendment.

No one seconded the motion.

Senator McClain commented that good PR goes a long way, and UND does a great job on the PR front. This, he felt, wipes out all of the negativity surrounding this. He was concerned for those
students who agreed to contracts delineating a 12 credit minimum.

Senator Swigost responded to Senator McClain, saying that this new program would not take place in Spring 2016.

**MOTION**

Senator Emmons made a motion to call the question without objection.

**VOTE**

*(03:12:42) MOTION CARRIED.*

**B. SB 1314-42**

Senator McClain explained that SB 1314-32 funded the Study-a-Thon.

**MOTION**

Senator Emmons made a motion to approve SB 1314-32.

Senator Vaagen objected.

**MOTION**

Senator Emmons made a formal motion to approve SB 1314-32.

Senator LaBrie seconded the motion.

**DISCUSSION**

Senator Vaagen asserted that this event takes place after the Law School’s finals have ended, so they never get to participate.

**VOTE**

*(03:14:46) MOTION CARRIED.*

**C. SB 1314-33**

V. President Hanson introduced SB1314-33, the Memorial Union Study Space, to the floor. This bill, they explained, that this brought forward the issue of student study space to the forefront, since it was a low priority for administration. They want to provide funding to complete the project well, and to spend down the money that Student Government is sitting on, and take some money out of the investments accounts. In this way, Student Government can give back to the students.

Senator Thorson asked how this would fit into the earlier presentation, especially finances wise.

V. President Hanson responded that they would be able to spend up to $98,000 from investments, and she thinks that they should. Some of these funds would come from Student Government, not just the McCannell Hall fund.

A. Nadeau asserted that they wanted Student Government to make an impact on this project, and she firmly believed that this project is worthwhile. The total amount is $330,000, and she felt that some of that should come from the investments fund.

Senator McClain asked what the sources of this project are.
V. President Hanson replied that some of the McCannell Hall funds can only be used for the McCannell Hall. Some of the funds are coming from the committee, and it is separate from the McCannell Hall funds.

Senator Emmons asked what the investments balance was.

A. Nadeau responded that the allowable investments balance was $98,373.97, and there was still the $100,000 in there.

Senator Emmons asked if the investments account had to maintain a $100,000 balance.

A. Nadeau replied that it did not have to maintain a $100,000 balance. The bylaws do not say that the investments have to maintain a minimum balance.

Senator Oberg commented that the bylaws required a minimum balance of $100,000 last year. This year, they were just following precedent.

Senator McClain asked if the presentation earlier was different from this bill.

V. President Hanson responded that yes, it is completely different. However, the study space project will piggy back the renovation project so that all of the work could get done at once.

MOTION

Senator Thorson made a formal motion to approve SB 1314-33.

Senator LaBrie seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION

Senator Thorson commented that the confusion exists because Dr. Reesor asked Senate to fix the McCannell Hall bill because they did not have enough funding for the renovation project. SB 1314-33 only funds the study space in the Union, and he is in favor of it. More study space is one of the most commonly asked for things by students. He also feels that the entire fund should come from the McCannell Hall fund.

A. Nadeau said that when she was going through the numbers for this bill, she found that the amount coming back to the investments account from this year’s budget would be around $50,000 to $60,000. This did not take Whiz Kalifa tickets sold into account.

MOTION

Senator Thorson moved to amend SB 1314-33, changing the McCannell Hall fee to read “$232,000” without objection.

VOTE

(03:29:52) MOTION CARRIED.
DISCUSSION

Senator Emmons commented that she liked this bill because Student Government has a stake in the project, and helps them to maintain some control over the Union project. She also liked that they are using the McCannell Hall fund for this project.

VOTE

(03:31:12) MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

PUBLIC COMMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

The 04/27/14 meeting of the Student Senate was adjourned without objection at 9:52 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lexi Hanson
Chair

Taylor Nelson
Recording Secretary
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Date: 4-27-14

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Date: 2/27/14

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