

St. Norbert College

# Student Government Association



Meeting of the General Assembly  
President Oliver Dressel

## Call to Order by Executive Board (4:00)

Land Acknowledgement [Statement](#) (Mr. Ulrich)

Attendance (Mr. Beilfuss)

## New business (4:05)

New Commuter [Lounge](#) (Ms. Riggle)

Riggle: I have been communicating with the group Knights En Route on campus. There is currently a commuter lounge on campus in the art building, but they are losing access to that space at the end of the semester. They have written up a nice proposal and list of things they are looking for in the new lounge on campus.

Freye: I really hope we can see this happen, and I have talked with a lot of commuters lately. At the very least, we should be able to provide this for them. A spot in the library or the campus center would be ideal for them. It is important that we make them feel like they are a part of the campus community.

Dressel: I say that out of the three options they are considering, the campus center is probably the best option. That is where students are supposed to be engaged with other students. The library is not as engaging of a place, since it is meant for studying.

Hess: The library is also the place for a lot of other organizations on campus. The center for Norbertine studies and the honors center.

Fitzwater: If the students wish to talk and be more rowdy, the campus center is probably a better place.

Gonnering: Looking at the top three places being considered, what is the faculty or the students ranking?

Riggle: It was the commuter's rankings. I believe they have been working with Corday on this. They are looking for our approval and what we think of their proposal.

Dressel: The college has been working for a long time in making a commuter lounge. The art center place is only temporary, but the administration is very supportive of this initiative.

Hunt: Is it not really our place to say where the lounge is located?

Ulrich: I entertain a motion to informally approve the commuter lounge proposal.

Gonnering: I motion to approve.

Freye: I second.

Ulrich: The commuter proposal as brought to the general assembly has passed.

## Task force updates (4:15)

LASS (Mr. Hess)

Hess: The scholarship has been continuing the project to bring the Menominee flag to campus. A ceremony has been planned with administration. Looking to get drummers and a larger sized flag for the flagpole. Hoping to hand off a lot of the work to administration since we have done the most of the leg-work. Looking at getting members of the Indigenous People on campus onto the Board of Trustees.

GIF (Mr. Dressel)

Dressel: The Green Initiative Fund (\$7.50/smeester) is being run by ESAC on campus. Looking to get the fund back into student's control. I have a proposal for the constitution to have a total of three students on SAFAC will also sit on the Green Initiative Fund Allocations Committee (GIFAC). One shall be the Finance Coordinator and of the other two, one shall serve as chair of GIFAC.

The second edit was under the position of finance coordinator. The coordinator shall keep a detailed budget through their work on the GIFAC.

Also, campaigning may only occur in the week between the end of nomination acceptance and elections, ending at 9:00pm on the day the elections end.

Will vote on constitution changes once we reach quorum at the next general assembly.

## Old business (4:20)

Student Organization Representation (Ms. Hunt)

Updates from representatives.

Fitzwater: The Zambia Project came up to discuss how organizations cannot use Venmo or other forms of electronic payment. John Seckel does not allow fundraising through Venmo, PayPal, or other electronic payment services. The Zambia Project used those services as the primary way of collecting funds at their fundraising events.

Freye: I did overhear a little bit of conversation... this conversation has been occurring and it has been hoping to get rid of Venmo here at SNC. Some liability issues. We would be better off providing new solutions for these groups. In the foreseeable future Venmo is not going to be an option. Maybe the machine that they use for taking Meal Dollars on campus for those kinds of fundraisers. Also maybe looking into other apps or electronic forms.

Gonnering: It is not always students who are donating but families and off-campus organizations. So how do we accept donations from these groups if they do not allow meal dollars?

Edelbeck: Can the school offer microsites for their student organizations or philanthropies? For our sorority, we need to have direct fundraising websites to go towards the chapter or larger organization. Looking into microsites for student organizations.

Fitzwater: A lot of people do not use their club emails. Using the email as the base for the account which the school can then come in and audit it.

Dressel: Do we want to draft a letter to send to the LSE office? A quick solution before their fundraiser on May 2nd?

Ulrich: Why can't the Zambia Project just use the same fundraising technique as sororities on campus?

Hunt: It should be pretty easy, we can even share the QR code that we are using for our sorority.

Campus Climate [Survey](#) (Ms. Freye)

The survey is coming to a close. Only 10 minutes to complete, so please complete the survey if you have not. The social media posts helped advertise the survey on campus. The project is coming to a close.

Elections Update (Ms. Klatt and Ms. Edelbeck)

Klatt: Not much to say.. The ballot is live, and closes at Friday at 5:00pm. Close to 600 responses, good luck to everyone who is running! A last call email will be sent on Thursday morning.

## College committee/special project updates (4:30)

Wellness by Design (Ms. Burmesch)

Burmesch: The only update I have is the GMS Smart Cart. Any feedback be sure to reach out to them. There is a platform to fill out your opinions or send an email to KJ in Dining Services.

Student Organization Recognition (Mr. Gonnering)

Acafellas-Male Acapella Group

ACHA Hockey- Club Team

We will be approving or denying these clubs. We will be bringing back the Acafellas on campus. Also, the ACHA Hockey team which was dissolved as a JV team will be approved as a club team in the future.

VP of Student Affairs & Dean of Curriculum and Senior Diversity Officer (Mr. Beilfuss)

For the next general assembly meeting, we will be inviting the new executive board members and class representatives to the meeting.

Adjournment (5:00)