August 28, 2012
J.W. Jones Student Union
Boardroom, 7:00 p.m.

I. Opening
   a. Call to Order
   b. Pledge of Allegiance
   c. Roll Call: Senators Ryan Smith, Clark, Corbett and Weddle were not in attendance. Chairman Wood was also not in attendance.

II. Hearing of Agenda Related Items

III. President’s Report
   a. The Organizational Fair will be Thursday 11am-2pm under the Bell Tower.
   b. Freshman Election applications are due September 7th. The elections will be held September 11th-12th.
   c. The Senate office has moved this year to the new IIC office which is located where the old Student Affairs office used to be. This is where you will be doing you Senate office hours.
   d. Advocacy Hour- Speak with constituents about the possibility of the bar raising the age of admission from 19 to 21. Report back next week what you find.
   e. University Committees- Anyone interested in joining a University committee contact President Ziemer.

IV. Vice President’s Report
   a. Since it is an election year we are all going to work together to really push voter registration and voting in the election. We will have tables in the Union every Thursday registering people to vote. We will also have a couple events before the election to promote registration and voting.
   b. Look for an email with a google doc for committee placements. You must serve on two committees so please sign up for two preferences.

V. Secretary’s Report
   a. Additions, corrections, deletions to the minutes of the last meeting? There were none.
   b. Correspondents: There were none.
   c. Some people still need to sign up for office hours so please go by the office sometime this week and mark a time that works best for you. You need to be in
the office at the time you signed up so we can cover the office for most of the week.

VI. Treasurer’s Report
   a. Balance- $41,00
   b. Balance is placed on file, subject to audit.
   c. We will be looking at the budget in New Business so if you have any questions or would like to look at committee spending or anything from last year let me know.

VII. Committee Reports
   a. Events Planning
      i. The Events Planning committee organizes events including the Backyard Bash, Homecoming activities, and Northwest Week. This committee provides ways to promote Student Senate while also organizing activities to entertain Northwest students. Their goal this year is to widen the variety of events they do.
      ii. The Backyard Bash was last Thursday night. We teamed up with X106 to bring a rap artist from Kansas City come, gave out snow cones, and talked to many of the incoming freshmen to promote Student Senate. We had a really good turn out and really promoted Senate and the voter registration with the new freshmen.
      iii. We will be working with the Governmental Affairs committee a lot to promote the voter registration this fall. We are thinking September 21 & 22 for the big event so save those dates.
   b. Public Relations:
      i. We have a new website! We are back on the Northwest domain under the Campus Life tab.
      ii. Be sure to like us on Facebook- Northwest Student Senate, and follow us on Twitter- @nwsenate.
      iii. If any Senate committees or campus organizations need help promoting events, let us know.
   c. Student Affairs
      i. Welcome back everyone to another exciting school year and year of Senate!
ii. We are excited to get our committee rolling- so please contact us if you are thinking about wanting to join our committee!

iii. We will be getting the ball rolling soon on constituency reports, so please let us know if you have any ideas for topics to cover in those monthly reports we will be having all of you fill out.

d. Governmental Affairs

i. Gov. Affairs will be working with Events Planning, P.R., and Civic Service to have an awesome voter registration drive. Through events and info tables we will help students register to vote and/or sign up for absentee ballots.

ii. Gov. Affairs is now accepting applications for the Parliamentarian position. If you are interested, please contact Ryan Smith or Andrew Saeger.

iii. Throughout the fall we will be working on planning the Legislative Reception for the spring.

iv. Throughout the year we will be examining the bylaws and policies for possible amendments.

e. Organizational Affairs

i. The organizational committee is responsible for granting official University recognition to organizations, maintaining records on existing groups, and overseeing the allocation of funds to student organizations.

a. Civic Service

i. The Civic Service committee organizes blood drives and many other community service opportunities. We are hoping to team up with other organizations this year. This committee will meet on Wednesdays at 5 pm.

ii. The first blood drive will be September 25-28 and they are pretty low for units of blood right now so start promoting that.

VIII. University Committees

IX. Student Regent

a. Payment for student employment has changed this year. There will no longer be check given. Now the university will be direct depositing checks or putting pay on a prepaid card.
b. University Employee payrate was increased. While this may seem unproductive because of all the budget cuts, the increase was minimal and we are still behind many other schools in average dollars.

c. A Missouri Western student rep will be here next week to see how we do things at Northwest.

d. RHA & SAC
   i. Liaisons for these positions still need to be filled. If you are interested contact President Ziemer.

X. Chief of Staff
   a. This position will also need to be filled. If you are interested please contact President Ziemer.

XI. Parliamentarian
   a. This position will also need to be filled. If you are interested please contact President Ziemer.

XII. Organizational Information

XIII. Unfinished Business: There was none.

XIV. New Business: The budget was proposed by Treasurer Spinner. Chairperson Saeger moved to table the budget, Senator McCoy seconded the motion.

XV. Hearing of Non-Agenda Related Items

XVI. Closing
   a. Announcements: Fraternity recruitment has started and Rush week is next week. If you are looking to get involved check out some of the events.
   b. Inspiration from President Ziemer: Leadership is action not position- Donald H. McGannon We are all really excited for this year so let’s all work together to become a great 90th Student Senate.
   c. Inspiration for next week? Mel Peitzmeier
   d. Adjourn: There was a motion to adjourn by Senator Liz Smith seconded by Senator Fritsch.