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- I. Roll Call
 - a. Sletten called the meeting to order at 6pm
 - b. Sunderman called roll; Representatives Donovan and Goemann were absent; Representative Croud was late
- II. For Action: Approve Agenda
 - a. Fairbanks motioned to approve agenda; second by J. Daniewicz
 - b. Sletten apologized for the changing of the agenda; the current agenda is the one that is projected on the overhead screen
 - c. Sletten encouraged Forum to call a “Point of Privilege” if anyone is unable to see the agenda on the screen.
 - d. Motion passes
- III. For Action: Approve Minutes
 - a. Fairbanks motioned to approve the minutes; second by J. Daniewicz
 - b. Motion passes
- IV. President’s Remarks
 - a. President Fairbanks would like to thank everyone for attending the MCSA Retreat last weekend.
 - b. The MCSA printer is now fixed, so hard copies are available for printing in the office.
 - c. Senior meetings are this weekend. Sletten and Fairbanks will be presenting.
 - d. Fairbanks emphasized that Executive Committee members need to track their hours via the Google Document. This will create a lot of transparency on campus. She also encouraged all Forum members to track their members as well.
 - e. Emails about volunteering for Mental Health Awareness Week will be going out this week. All Representatives are expected to volunteer.
 - f. There will be a Student Organization Retreat coming up for all new Student Organization Representatives.
 - g. Wolf added that any Representatives who have ideas or would like extra work are to contact their Committee Chairs.
- V. For Information: Homecoming Information *Presented by Secretary Wolf and President Fairbanks*

- a. Fairbanks informed Forum about Homecoming. MCSA will be tailgating and selling walking tacos. MCSA will also be handing out Pounce fans to everyone at the game.
 - b. Fairbanks noted that there will be a lot of alumni returning, so she encourages Forum to participate in the networking event.
- VI.** For Information: Election By-Laws Amendment *Presented by Laddie Arnold*
- a. Arnold noted changes made to the Election By-Laws
 - b. One change will be that all candidates need to have a meeting with Election Commission prior to running in order to make sure all rules are being followed.
 - c. Arnold also noted that there will be penalties for candidates who do not follow rules. The first violation is a warning, second is a Listserv apology or reduction of debate speaking time, and third violation will be removal from the ballot.
 - d. Strowbridge asked for clarification in reduction of speaking time, Arnold responded by saying that opening remarks will be shortened
 - e. Troe asked for clarification on punishment of candidates; Arnold responded by saying that the Election Commission will look at each case individually.
 - f. Braegelmann asked if they could just ask to have name taken off ballot instead of receiving punishments; Arnold noted that this could be a possibility.
 - g. Daniewicz expressed concerns about whether the punishments relate to all positions or solely President and Vice President; Arnold responded by saying that ultimately, the removal of the name on the ballot will be up to the Election Commission.
 - h. Fredericks asked for clarification of the reduction of speaking time, asking if it was only for the MCSA Debate. Arnold noted that this will only be for the MCSA Debate.
 - i. Fairbanks asked if the Appeals Committee will still remain a part of the election process; Arnold responded by saying that they will still be present in the upcoming election.
 - j. Wente asked for definition of an apology; Arnold responded by saying the apology would include information from the Commission about what happened,

and a Listserv email sent out to students with a written apology and the information from the Election Commission.

- k. Jacobson mentioned that she is concerned that the wording is unclear. She would like to see the wording become clearer by next week.

VII. For Action: Sustainability Officers By-Laws Amendment *Presented by Representative Daniewicz*

- a. Fairbanks moved to approve Sustainability Officers By-Laws Amendment; second by wolf
- b. Daniewicz mentioned that he used the template from the Budget Manager to help word this amendment
- c. Baglio asked Daniewicz to talk about the benefits of increasing the wording in the bylaws, Daniewicz believes that roles are instilled when put in the bylaws. It creates a systematic stamp on that position's existence.
- d. Motion passes

VIII. For Action: Open Nominations for Steering Committee *Presented by Fairbanks*

- a. Fairbanks moved to open nominations for Steering Committee; second by wolf
- b. Fairbanks explained Steering Committee to the members of Forum. Steering Committee is essentially Executive Committee of Campus Assembly. MCSA must put forth two names to be approved by Campus Assembly. All Representatives nominated must be a member of Campus Assembly.
- c. Baglio nominates Troe; Troe accepts
- d. Fairbanks nominates Sunderman; Sunderman declines
- e. Vertnick nominates J. Daniewicz; Daniewicz accepts
- f. Daniewicz clarified that a member of Campus Assembly cannot be on more than one Core Standing Committee
- g. Johnson nominates Jansen; Jansen declines
- h. Motion passes, Troe and Daniewicz will be the names given to Campus Assembly

IX. Committee Reports

- a. Mental Health Awareness advertising is meeting after Forum

- b. Resources and Operations will be meeting every Wednesday. They will begin discussion of Tech Fee guidelines this week.
- X. Organization Reports**
- a. AISES is having a Pizza Ranch fundraiser today
 - b. Midwest philosophy will have their first speaker of Wednesday at seven
 - c. PHE will be having their first meeting tonight at 9 in the Wellness Center
 - d. ASA will be going camping on October 4th and 5th. They will be holding meetings Wednesday at six in the EDI Office
- XI. Old Business**
- a. None
- XII. New Business**
- a. There is a Driggs Lecture tonight at 7:30 about immigration
 - b. Student Services will be meeting after Forum tonight
 - c. Students who are new should ask questions, President Fairbanks is here to help
 - d. Academic Affairs will have a brief discussion following Forum
- XIII. Adjourn**
- a. Motion to adjourn; second by Wolf
 - b. Motion passes; adjourn at 6:28pm