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Memo to: MCSA Executive Committee
From: Executive Assistant Montbriand
Subject: Executive Committee Meeting, December 4th, 2014

The Committee will meet on Thursday, December 4th, 2014 at 6:00 pm in the Student Activities Conference Room.

I. President's Remarks

A. MCSA Survey Results

1. Discuss

- a) President Wolf stated that Cougar Pawsitivity profits are estimated to be over \$62.00.
- b) President Wolf shared the survey results via Google Doc. Contact President Wolf if you would like another copy.

2. Brainstorm improvements

- a) Representative Sunderman suggested a more anonymous format for surveys. Representative Sundermann suggested having Open Forum presenters provide an abstract/layout to their presentation.
- b) Representative Jacobson suggested allocating a time to fill out the surveys. Representative Jacobson suggested highlighting committee accomplishments during forum. Representative Jacobson suggested having a time for questions, thoughts, suggestions after committee reports. Representative Jacobson suggested reforming the perception and voice of MCSA on campus; figuring out what students want to say and saying it.
- c) Representative Arnold suggested having a questions such as "How do you feel about MCSA's accomplishments during this semester?" Representative Arnold stated that presenters should still come to forums, but if the presenter has a longer forum that the presenter gives a longer version to a committee.

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- d) Advisor Blodgett suggested being mindful and involved in Executive Committee meetings. Advisor Blodgett suggested bringing resolutions to forum for the information of all, so that forum members feel involved and conversation is initiated.
- e) Representative Koester suggested having a Google Forum for Open Forum speakers, and having Executive Committee approve the speakers and their purpose. Representative Koester suggested having more legislative action.
- f) Representative Dial suggested having presenters come to Executive Committee, and limiting Open Forum to a 30 minute limit. Representative Dial suggested to having a similar information gathering as Jim Hall's "Cheese Day."
- g) Vice President Schroeder suggested bringing back perpetual to-do lists to forum and Executive Committee. Vice President Schroeder suggested having a more active way for organization representation. Vice President Schroeder suggested having a presentation on the history of MCSA.
- h) Executive Assistant Montbriand suggested utilizing the MCSA Facebook page to advertising goals, achievements and promotions of MCSA. Executive Assistant Montbriand suggested a more effective way of letting organization representative know what they can do at forum, what forum can do for them, and their power and use of MCSA.

3. Plans for next semester

B. State of the MCSA Address

- 1. Contact President Wolf with anything you would like anything to be mentioned.

C. Consultative Committee

- 1. Pushing steering for more constitutional committee.

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D. Agenda Update

1. Listing of committees in committee reports

E. Appointments/Replacements

1. Katie Ledermann - Sustainability Officer
2. Emma Zapchenk - Campus Assembly/Functions & Awards
3. Paul Schliep (potentially) - Campus Assembly/Fac & PA Affairs
4. Jayce Koester - Senator
5. Assessment of Student Learning - (new) Fiona Wu, open
6. Curriculum - open

F. MCSA Website Update - December 8th (Allison's Office Hours Project)

G. Upcoming Visits

1. Bryan Hermann - January 26th
2. Jen Hermann - Date TBD

II. Member, Committee, and Organization Reports

A. Ashley

1. SS will put a whiteboard in the student center for students to write suggestions on; it will be there Friday and Saturday.

B. Cory

1. FYC is looking to do a community fundraising event.

C. Ellery

1. RO is working on having the Dining Hall becoming zero waste and having a new gluten free bar.
2. MEeting with Jim hall for Zimride promotion.
3. RO to work with CR on a video promoting zimride.
4. Tech fee progress is continuing.

D. Emily

1. Changing friendship program to better suit international students on campus.

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2. CC has been looking more closely at course descriptions, pre-reqs, and work with the new portal system being implemented in Spring.
3. Credit Cap task force is being in the process of formation to debate whether all majors should have the same amount of credits.

E. Fiona

F. Jayce

1. MoQsie is taking students to two conferences this year.
2. CR held Cougar Pawsitivity this week.

G. Jayne

1. Saturday December 13th, MCSA potluck

H. Jen

I. Laddie

J. Megan

1. Election bylaws will be postponed to next semester.

K. Taylor

1. MCSA will be selling cookies at the Friday showing of Frozen.

III. Agenda Construction - December 8th

Open Forum

President's Remarks

State of the MCSA Address *Presented by President Wolf*

Old Business

For Information:

Spring Semester Initiatives *Presented by Vice-President Schroeder*

End of the Year Extravaganza *Presented by Advisor Blodgett*

For Action:

New Business

For Information:

Fundraiser Profits *Presented by Budget Manager Miller*

For Action:

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Election Bylaws *Presented by Election Commissioner Arnold*

Bylaw Renovations *Presented by Parliamentarian Jacobson*