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- I.** Roll Call
 - a. Van Cleve called the meeting to order at 6pm.
 - b. Granaas called roll; representatives Rook, Donovan, Thao and Wolf were excused. Representatives Narayan and Vue were absent.
- II.** For Action: Approve Agenda
 - a. Govada motioned to approve the agenda; second by N. Wenthe.
 - b. Motion carried.
- III.** For Action: Approve Minutes
 - a. Govada motioned to approve the minutes; second by Showalter.
 - b. Motion carried.
- IV.** For Information: Student Athletic Advisory Committee *Presented by Secretary Frode*
 - a. This committee is working on an initiative to reach out to student groups outside of athletics to bridge the gaps between student athletes and students in other circles. To facilitate this, the SAAC is giving away and selling “Cougar Nation” t-shirts to show solidarity for school spirit. Student Activities, Residential Life, and Morris-area businesses are sponsoring the shirts. Campus events will be locations where students wearing the t-shirt may win drawings and prize giveaways.
 - b. The Committee wanted to publicize the Cougar Nation shirt through MCSA, as well as suggest events for Cougar Nation giveaways. Email Kelli Hamilton, hamil260, if you have suggestions or questions.
- V.** President’s Remarks
 - a. All Committees will be changing their meeting times next semester; please respond to your committee heads so that the time works for you.
 - b. Senior Banquet is next Friday; seniors must RSVP by this week. Alumni Association partners with many MCSA members to make this a great event.
 - c. We’ve been doing more research about health insurance; there seem to be a wide variety of providers within the 40-mile required radius. The research about deductibles tells us that UMN’s expectations seem reasonable, although the

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requirements may not be easily met by every student's insurance. Insurance concerns may still be brought up to Govada or Henry Fulda, as this is on-going.

- VI.** For Information: Technology Fee Guidelines Changes *Presented by Secretary Forde*
- a. Forde presented the logic behind changes to the original guidelines. The changes are up for discussion and will be presented for approval by Forum next week.
 - b. Discussion comments included the different changes between the guidelines and the application form and explicitness of guidelines.
- VII.** For Information: Campus Assembly *Presented by President Govada*
- a. Campus Assembly will meet Wednesday, 11/30/11 at 4:30pm in the Science Auditorium. The main topic of interest is the change in the academic calendar for 2016-2017, as well as a motion regarding the Resource Allocation Taskforce.
 - b. Discussion regarding the calendar included some background information about ceremonies and rewards in the spring semester and opinions of support.
- VIII.** For Information: MSLC Update *Presented by Director Preston*
- a. Policy and Pizza Night is this Thursday. Please consider helping with tabling to help advertise this awesome event.
- IX.** Organization Reports
- a. None
- X.** Old Business
- a. None
- XI.** New Business
- a. Help get the word out about the new waste sorting system in the dining hall.
Correct waste sorting will help lead to better data for implementing composting.
- XII.** Adjourn
- a. McBrady motioned to adjourn; second by N. Wentz.
 - b. Motion carried. Forum adjourned at 6:27pm.