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**UMM Student Services Committee
Minutes – 02/10/05**

Present: Julie Pelletier, Heather Pennie, Jason Steinbrenner, Nick Peterson, Judy Riley,
Kristie Kehrwald, Dave Swenson, Carla Riley

Absent: Solomon Gashaw, Sara Haugen, Gail Hockert, Sara Vig, Jennifer Zych

[The committee approved the following agenda amendments: added review of the Athletic Department Statement of Philosophy draft and review of the Office of Student Activities Mission Statement draft; removed agenda item two for a future meeting, the proposed policy regarding student organizations' names.]

I. Minutes

The minutes for November 10, November 24, and December 8, 2004 were approved as written.

III. Health Services Subcommittee Chair

Julie Pelletier announced that Judy Riley has accepted the position of Health Services Subcommittee chair. The subcommittee had already met and had additional meetings scheduled.

IV. New Business

A. Athletic Department Statement of Philosophy

The committee discussed the EOA statement in the philosophy, some wondering if the official UMM EOA statement should be used rather than the abbreviated statement in the document. A second suggestion was to replace the current statement with "Provides for equal opportunities and supports diversity of all members of the UMM community."

Overall, the committee felt the statement was very good. They recommended that Heather Pennie bring this back to the Intercollegiate Athletics office to revise the EOA statement and make recommended grammatical changes.

B. Office of Student Activities Mission Statement

The committee recommended a few minor grammatical changes and a change from bullets to numbers. In addition, it was suggested that the document title be changed to include "at UMM." The document was approved with the recommended changes.

C. For Information

~~Members were given a copy of an article published in *The Chronicle of Higher Education* for their information. The article discussed a looming court battle over restricting campus organizations' membership to individuals who share the groups' religious beliefs.~~ Members were given a copy of an article published in *The Chronicle of Higher Education* for their information on campus organizations.

D. MCSA Student Services Report

The MCSA Student Services Committee was working to bring student legal services to the UMM campus. Members of the MCSA Student Services Committee have been invited to attend the Student Legal Services Convention and hope to attend. Creating a student legal services department on the Morris campus will require a lot of research and will be a long-term process.

V. Old Business

A. College Republicans of UMM

The committee recommended that all mentions of 50% majority be replaced in this document with “simple majority.” Also, the hyphen should be dropped in the title Vice President. The constitution was approved with these corrections.

B. Mascot Policy

Julie Pelletier noted that the mascot policy was to be presented to Campus Assembly on February 22. Pelletier was looking for volunteers from the committee to assist her in presenting the policy at the meeting. Dave Swenson, Nick Peterson, and Jason Steinbrenner volunteered to assist.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 A.M.
Submitted Melody Veenendaal