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**Memo to:** MCSA Forum Members  
**From:** MCSA Executive Committee  
**Subject:** Forum Agenda for March 6th, 2017.

The Forum will meet on Monday at 6pm in IH 109 and then move to Science 1020.

- I. Open Forum**
- II. For Action: Approve Agenda**
  - A. approved
- III. For Action: Approve Minutes**
  - A. <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1XIN-DppRhUNuppbN2jboCFxwUNb58Q-TG4vJ6fLlInk/edit>
  - B. approved
- IV. President's Remarks**
- V. Committee Reports**
  - A. MCSA Committees**

Academic Affairs - *Millard*

    - Did not meet last week, but will meet this week to discuss implementing resolution that passed

Campus Relations - *Wray*

    - Still working on additions to logo. From that will have banner and different ideas about pins and dealing with funding shortages

Executive Committee - *Ledermann*

    - Meeting on Wednesday

First Year Council

Resources and Operations - *Alam*

    - Tech Fee

Student Services - *DeBellis*

    - Working on what to do with greenhouse survey and will send to out
    - Moving forward with suggestion box
  - B. Campus Assembly Committees**

Assessment of Student Learning      Academic Support Services

Consultative - *Pilugin*

- Talked about survey last year about department chairs, and other things about previous meetings. Did a self critique of role of Consultative Committee.

Curriculum

Faculty and P&A Affairs

Faculty Development

Finance - *Alam*

- Didn't meet because they were in cities to present budget. The key points of presentation was to put more pressure on U of M to get more funding for Native American Waiver tuition because we historically receive repayment from that.

Functions and Awards

International Programs

Membership

Multi-Ethnic Experience

- Dave Swenson came and talked about listserv. They are still revisiting ideas about how to deal with that
- DiversiTea happening after spring break
  - Group discussion talking about diversity on campus and what MEEC does to gauge climate of morris
  - Thursday 3/23 in Oyate

Planning

Scholastic

Steering

Student Affairs

- Met with Katie and others about food resolution and how to continue to work on it. They like it and are thinking about sending it to CA

## VI. Organization Reports

AISES

Chemistry Club

Biology Club

Sport Leadership at Morris

CNIA Student Democratic Farmer-Labor Party

International Student Association MPIRG

MoQSIE

University Register - *Hunt*

- Distributing issue this Thursday

Women's Rugby

## VII. Old Business

A. For Information:

B. For Action:

## VIII. New Business

A. For Information:

B. For Action:

### 1. Approve Sara Carman for First Year Council Representative

a) *Smith*: Motion to approve Sara Carman as she comes to forum every week, but does not have a voice and the other rep quit MCSA

b) Carman approved as First Year Council Representative

### 2. Approve Tech Fee Allocations

a) Discussion about Tech Fee allocations:

b) [https://docs.google.com/document/d/12NpmAK3hPPg1G6EL4uhKfWWVUt7K7E\\_Jogrzs5dZ1B0/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/12NpmAK3hPPg1G6EL4uhKfWWVUt7K7E_Jogrzs5dZ1B0/edit)

c) *Hakala*: move to approve tech fee allocations separately

d) *Hakala*: How will we handle Tech Fee tonight?

(1) Plan: will go through each request individually in whatever order and look to see what fits Tech Fee guidelines. Need to speak and vote objectively. Respect others' opinions

(2) Mike, Matt, and LeAnn will speak later about their strategic plans for departments to better understand their ideas in the long term. This could help better inform us to

see what it is to push for. They might have a huge initiative planned

- (3) Raise your hand to follow Robert's rule.
- (4) Anyone can call for a point of order (a rules violation), a parliamentary inquiry (about how things should be done, or if you're lost), point of information (request for info, it is unclear whether this fits guideline, etc. Don't state facts to make an argument, but to better understand)
- (5) Be wary of calling to question or moving to last question. If there is too much debate you can call to question, which means discussion ends and we vote on whether we think we should end discussion. Or let discussion die naturally by not raising your hand anymore.
- (6) We want to be friendly and want a friendly debate, and wrap up discussion.
- (7) Be concise and avoid repeating points.
- (8) Tech Fee Guidelines: on MCSA website
  - (a) A lot of things that can be posed as technology, but do not fit our guidelines
  - (b) If someone did not consult with an expert, that breaks our guidelines.
  - (c) *Hunt*: Part 2, part E. All proposals have been reviewed by Resources and Ops?
    - (i) Yes
  - (d) If Tech Fee is the only way to get funding, we should have asked this during the hearings. Sometimes an entire system of request is necessary in order to be useful, but we can fund things partially.

- (e) Can provide stipulations within our allocations
  - (i) Example: we will fund entire proposal, under the stipulation that the old computers go to these people, but we have to be wary of who keeps track of those stipulations
- (f) *Lindberg*: we can line-item veto and say they cannot spend money on specific item, but you can't say what they can spend money on.
  - (i) Remember these are guidelines.
- (g) Carryover: There is a 20% carryover from last year
  - (i) Example: if we have \$100,000 we are supposed to set aside \$20,000 for wiggle room.
  - (ii) This has already been taken into account. This accounts for fluctuation in enrollment and other things.
  - (iii) It may be worth considering dipping into this a little bit from last year, but that could hurt next year's committee. They wouldn't get the flexibility
  - (iv) *Lindberg*: If you did spend it all, if anyone went over, they could not use any of it.
  - (v) *Wu*: POI: is it possible to spend carryover?
    - (a) *Hakala*: yes, but we should have minimum of 20%
    - (b) *Lindberg*: This makes it sound like a requirement, but this is a guideline. We need a motion to dip into carry over funds.

(c) We can spend \$10,000 this year, but Resources and Ops will have to take this into account next year. The problem is if enrollment is down again next year.

(d) Need to make sure to document that we went over the carryover.

(vi) *Alam*: Don't think about anything else, we only have \$194,000.

(h) *Ledermann*: Please don't talk about any personal anecdotes. We are purely voting on guidelines, not personal experiences.

(i) *Hakala*: Remove as much bias as possible. Think about guidelines.

(j) *Forney*: what is the recommendation for abstention and involvement in student orgs?

(i) *Hakala*: Being involved in something means you like that group more. Think hard about abstaining about that vote to avoid conflict of interest

(k) *Schewe*: when are you making motion for one individual. To fund in full? And then amend?

(i) *Hakala*: 2 approaches. Make a motion to approve requests individually. Salvi will say to review requests.

C. \*Practiced Robert's Rule: Motion to allocate \$75,000 for a Tesla\*

D. Motion to approve Tech Fee allocation

1. approved

## IX. Announcements

A. Email Alicia about Student Mental Health if interested

**X. Adjourn**

A. 1:05 am