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The Campus Assembly met on Monday, October 25 at 4:30 p.m. in the Science Auditorium.

I.  Introduction to Campus Assembly.

Roland Guyotte gave a brief introduction/orientation on Campus Assembly and read the powers of assembly from the UMM Constitution:

Powers: The assembly, as the policy-making and legislative body, exercises general legislative authority and responsibility in all educational matters concerning the Morris Campus delegated to it by the University Senate and the Board of Regents.

Membership: The assembly membership includes faculty, academic, civil service and bargaining unit staff and students.

Quorum: A quorum shall normally consist of a simply majority of the membership of assembly. A current membership list shall be compiled at the beginning of each academic semester. If a member cannot attend an assembly meeting, and if advance notification of the absence is given, the member shall not be counted as part of the quorum for that meeting.

The UMM Constitution can be found in its entirety at <http://www.morris.umn.edu/committees/assembly/const.shtml>.

Tim Lindberg, MCSA President, gave some introductory comments. He introduced the other MCSA officers: Kristen Strissel, Vice President of Academic Affairs; Nick Peterson, Vice President of Student Services; and Johanna Farmer, Vice President for Finance and Operations.

II.  Chancellor's Remarks.

In lieu of chancellor remarks, Sandy Olson-Loy gave a brief overview of the Graduate Exit Survey that she presented at the Board of Regents meeting in October.

III. Minutes from April 19, 2004 assembly were approved as presented with one minor revision. Minutes from April 30, 2004 assembly were approved as presented.

IV.  Election ≠ Gretchen Murphy replaces David Wuolu on the Consultative Committee.

V.  Committee replacements.

Sarah Mattson replaces Pat Gannon on Campus Resources and Planning Committee
Leslie Meek replaces Pareena Lawrence on Scholastic Committee
Julie Pelletier appointed chair of Student Services Committee
Bert Ahern appointed chair of Faculty Development Committee
Bonnie Tipcke appointed chair of Functions & Awards Committee
Mike Vandenberg replaces Christine Dent on Functions & Awards Committee
Chris Cole replaces Roger Wareham on International Programs Committee
Rebecca Gercken-Hawkins replaces LeAnn Dean on Minority Experience Committee
Dennis Stewart appointed chair of Teacher Education Committee
Joe Alia replaces Peter Whelan on Teacher Education Committee

VI.  Curriculum Committee. The following Fall 2004 curricular changes were approved.

Division of Education

Art History
1 new course
ArtH Art of Italian Renaissance 1300-1520

English
4 new courses
Engl 4018 American Postmodern Lit
Engl 4021 British Literature of the Fin de Siecle
Engl 3010 Practicum in Writing Tutoring
Engl 4019 Re-Writing Shakespeare for Film and Stage

Humanities
1 new course
Hum 3051 Russian Literature

Music
1 new course
Mus 1046 Class Voice

Spanish
1 new course
Span 3505 Sex, Love and Marriage in the Golden Age Spanish Literature

Theatre
5 revised courses
Th 2111 Creative Drama with Children
Th 3101 World Theater: History and Literature I
Th 3102 World Theater: History and Literature II
Th 3201 Advanced Acting
Th 3202 Advanced Directing

Fall 2004 catalog changes were approved as presented.

Division of Science & Math
Biology ≠ catalog revisions, 1 new course
Chemistry ≠ catalog revisions, 2 new courses
Computer Science ≠ catalog revisions, 1 new course
Geology ≠ catalog revisions, 2 course revisions
Mathematics ≠ catalog revisions, 4 course revisions
Physics ≠ catalog revisions, 1 course revision
Statistics ≠ catalog revisions, 2 new courses

Division of Social Science
Anthropology ≠ catalog revisions, 1 new course, 10 course revisions
Economics ≠ catalog revisions, 1 new course, 12 course revisions
History - catalog revisions, 4 new courses, 76 course revisions
Management ≠ catalog revisions, 2 new courses, 13 course revisions
Political Science ≠ catalog revisions, 1 course revision
Psychology ≠ catalog revisions, 9 course revisions
Sociology ≠ catalog revisions, 1 new course, 12 course revisions
Geography ≠ catalog revisions

VII. Request to change name of Minority Experience Committee to Multi-Ethnic Experience Committee.

Sarah Buchanan reported that the members of the Minority Experience Committee support the name change implemented by the Multi-Ethnic Student Program and believe that the MEC's name should also use language appropriate to the goals, concepts, and context of the change in the year 2004. Isaiah Brokenleg asked if it was the intention to leave out GLBT students and students with disabilities and questioned the priorities of the committee. Buchanan said the committee never intended to leave
anyone out. Roland Guyotte referred to the By-laws that read, The Minority Experience Committee is responsible for promoting campus-wide understanding of racial and ethnic minorities and for enhancing their educational opportunities. It considers and makes recommendations regarding curriculum, educational programs, and extracurricular activities where these touch upon the interests of racial or ethnic minorities. It consults, advises, and cooperates with existing committees that have jurisdiction in these areas to develop and recommend policies. Sandy Olson-Loy said she believes the committee is trying to let go of the minority definition by using an inclusive multi-cultural name and asked the committee to look at the overall charge.

VIII. Senators Reports.

Nate Hilfiker reported that due to Senate restructuring UMM will be losing a student position. The Senate is adding additional representation from across the entire University but the net outcome is that UMM will lose some members. Roland Guyotte added that Nate spoke eloquently against the restructuring proposal.

IX. Old Business.

None

X. New Business.

An assembly member asked how name changes are dealt with. Sandy Olson-Loy said that changes are usually made in consultation with the Campus Resources and Planning Committee. Sam Schuman added that any revised proposal should eventually be submitted to the Executive Committee.

Adjourned at 5:15 p.m.