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September 19th, 2011

- I.** Roll Call
  - a. Van Cleve called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.
  - b. Granaas called roll; Representatives Robinson and Narayan were absent; Representatives Forde, Donovan, McBrady, and Blankenfeld were tardy.
- II.** For Action: Approve Agenda
  - a. Govada motioned to approve the agenda; second by Showalter.
  - b. Motion carried.
- III.** For Action: Approve Minutes
  - a. Govada motioned to approve the minutes; second by N. Wentе.
    - i. Fairbanks motioned to amend the minutes of the last meeting to read “Fairbanks” instead of “Vogel” under the appropriate heading; second by Showalter.
    - ii. Motion carried.
  - b. Motion carried.
- IV.** President’s Remarks
  - a. Congratulations to the First-Year Representatives: Myhal, J. Wentе, Wolf, and Thao. We’re very excited to have them on-board this year.
- V.** For Information: UMACS Volunteer Solicitation *Presented by Joseph Hartman*
  - a. The UMACS Conference will be hosting 160 guests on the UMM Campus this coming weekend. They need volunteers to introduce speakers throughout the weekend’s events, escort guests from campus to the turbine on Saturday afternoon, as well as to escort guests to Pomme de Terre park on Friday night. Those interested should speak to Hartman directly.
- VI.** For Action: Approval of AFRC Representatives *Presented by AFRC Chair Robert Smith*
  - a. Govada motioned to approve individuals as a slate for the AFRC; second by N. Wentе.
    - i. Forde expressed that the interview process went well and the interviewers have confidence in the selected individuals.
  - b. Motion carried.
- VII.** For Action: Approval of MCSA Parliamentarian
  - a. Govada motioned to approve Nike Johnson as the MCSA Parliamentarian; second by N. Wentе.
    - i. Peters asked who the other candidate was for the position; the other individual did not previously give consent, so the name was withheld.
  - b. Motion carried.
- VIII.** For Action: Elect First Year Representative to Executive Committee
  - a. Govada motioned to open nominations; second by Showalter.
    - i. Nyberg nominated J. Wentе; J. Wentе accepted.
    - ii. Rosana nominated Thao; Thao accepted.
    - iii. Fairbanks nominated Wolf; Wolf accepted.
    - iv. Showalter nominated Myhal; Myhal accepted.
  - b. Each representative was given time to speak.
  - c. Govada motioned to suspend the rules during the election; second by Peters.
  - d. Wolf was elected to Executive Committee.
- IX.** For Information: Regents Update *Presented by Regents Representative Rook*
  - a. Rook gave an example of a BoR Committee Report and Mission Outline. These will be sent out to all MCSA members; the information is extensive but important. Questions can be sent to Rook, and Rook will relay our feedback to the BoR.

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- b. Govada and Forde asked about what feedback Rook was looking for. Rook is looking for input on what direction Morris would like the BoR to take this upcoming year on their already decided upon issues.
- X.** For Information: Campus Assembly *Presented by President Govada*
  - a. First Campus Assembly meeting is tomorrow.
  - b. The positions where students sit do say something about the students' voice and where we stand.
    - i. Discussion ensued with remarks from Vogel, Govada, N. Wenthe, Patterson, Preston, Peters, Forde, Fairbanks, Granaas, and McBrady.
  - c. Discussion concluded with the friendly decision that each representative would have the freedom to sit where he or she desires during the upcoming meeting. We will have a discussion in the near future about how to best pursue (or not pursue) a seating arrangement that is effective in Campus Assembly.
- XI.** Organization Reports
  - a. Updates were made for the Faculty and P&A Affairs Committee, Planning Committee and Curriculum Committee.
  - b. Announcements were made for
  - c. Rosana announced that Multi-Ethnic Experience Committee is gathering data regarding multi-ethnic opportunities and resources within disciplines, divisions, or anywhere else on campus.
- XII.** Old Business
  - a. Rook would like to thank those who helped with the First-Year Representative election. Voter turnout matched the presidential election in percentage.
- XIII.** New Business
  - a. Forum sang for Van Cleve's birthday; Donovan and McBrady presented him with a picture.
  - b. Govada and Van Cleve are meeting with the Chancellor tomorrow. If you have input or something to bring forward, send either of them an email ASAP.
  - c. Send in Committee Reports rather than announcing them during Forum.
  - d. There will be a System-wide Sustainability Conference on Friday morning with the campuses of the U. It's free for UMM students. Information is online. Send Govada an email if interested.
  - e. Preston motioned to draft a congratulations letter to the new UMN President from MCSA; second by Vogel.
    - i. Kahler's inauguration will be streamed somewhere on campus; we will be drafting a letter to congratulate him from MCSA to keep up our awesome reputation with him.
    - ii. The letter will be submitted to Forum for feedback.
  - f. Motion carried.
- XIV.** Adjourn
  - a. Preston motioned to adjourn; second by N. Wenthe.
  - b. Motion carried; meeting adjourned at 6:49pm.
- XV.** MCSA Committee Meetings followed Forum.