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Memo to: MCSA Forum Members
From: MCSA Executive Committee
Subject: Forum Agenda for Monday, December 4th, 2017.

The Forum will meet on Monday at 6pm in IH 109/ Cow Palace.

- I. Open Forum**
- II. For Action: Approve Agenda**
 - A. Lenius motions**
 - B. Tetrick seconds**
 - C. Motion carries**
- III. For Action: Approve [Minutes from 11/27/17](#)**
 - A. Wilson motions**
 - B. Rosemark seconds**
 - C. motion passes**
- IV. President's Remarks**
 - A. [State of the Organization address](#)**
 1. Powerpoint regarding all that MCSA has done this semester
- V. Committee Reports**
 - A. MCSA Committees**

Academic Affairs- We met Thursday and discussed faculty unipit regarding ENAS resolution

Campus Relations

Executive Committee

First Year Council

Resources and Operations- We solidified dates for tech fee. March 3 and 5th. The Monday will be the allocations after forum. We are also finalizing the application.

Student Services-We are putting together materials regarding off campus housing. We are also putting up a UR article.
 - B. Campus Assembly Committees**

Assessment of Student Learning Academic Support Services

Consultative

Curriculum

Faculty and P&A Affairs

Faculty Development

Finance- We met Thursday and discussed the current financial situation. We have a bill to go through board of regents. In 2019 1% tuition increase and other fee increase has been approved.

Functions and Awards

International Programs

Membership-Diversity was brought to this committee. Then it will come to Campus Assembly during the first assembly of next sem.

Multi-Ethnic Experience-We are going to have a diversity representative on every committee. This Thursday is next meeting at 10:30.

Planning

Scholastic

Steering

Student Affairs

VI. Organization Reports

AISES-We are hosting a sustainability conference. More info to come next semester

KUMM-We went over few changes in constitution and are going to be making more changes next semester

Biology Club-We are planning study night sometime this weekend or monday. We are also doing the hold the snake at yule ball.

MPIRG

BSU

MoQSIE - This Friday was first meeting regarding drag show in March.

CNIA

Student DFL

College Republicans-We have elected a new president, Tayler Laman. Today we are voting on new vice president

SAAC

University Register- We did not publish last week but will be publishing this week. New news editor, Joshua, and a new staff editor.

VII. Old Business

A. For Information:

1. Debrief on Campus Conversation: Fiscal Environment *presented by* Org Rep Goodsell
 - a) How colleges are handling less support from the state was the reading. Chancellor wanted everyone together to find ways that programs could shrink but work together to meet student needs. A lot of people didn't talk until the end. The questions were a little hard to discuss. There was a talk on what campus should be focusing on.
2. Last Campus Conversation is Thursday, Dec. 7th from 12-1 pm in the Science Auditorium
 - a) Topic: Innovation in the Liberal Arts
 - b) Readings can be found [here](#)
3. Consider applying for the [McNair Scholarship](#)
 - a) Need at least 30 credits to apply and a faculty recommendation
 - b) Deadline December 8th
4. Register for [Equity, Diversity and Intercultural Connections Retreat](#)
 - a) Dates: January 26-28th
 - b) \$10 fee, scholarships available
 - c) Deadline to sign up is TODAY

B. For Action:

VIII. New Business

A. For Information:

1. U of M [letter](#) for faculty to support students affected by DACA, TPS, and the travel ban
 - a) They are asking Morris and all other campuses to send it to our professors and have them sign it. It is saying that if a student is affected by this asking for the college and prof to present a flexible learning plan and ask for their spot to be held.
2. Debrief on Chancellor Meeting *presented by* President Wilson
 - a) Ruby, Salvi, and I met with the chancellor. Went to Nigeria and Portugal. Did some recruitment at prep schools. Campaigned for money. Gave her an update on the Gala. Talked about her plan for the campus conversations next sem. Since the conversations next sem are about what we can do, she will be more active. Showed her the DACA letter and told her we are sending to faculty. Asked her what admin is doing to it. She said she would grant leaves of absence. They are in the process of figuring it out. Talked about campus climate.
3. Debrief on Campus Assembly *presented by* President Wilson
 - a) Talked about changes in curriculum classes. Calendars for the 2 years after next. Discussed whether the Monday before finals should be kept as a study day and most people still wanted to keep it.
4. President's Award for Outstanding Service: Call for Nominations
 - a) [Nominate](#) a faculty or staff member by March 9th who you think has provided excellent service to UMM. 12 awards will be presents. The nominee can be retired.
5. MCSA events next semester
 - a) Tech Fee: Saturday, March 3rd and Monday, March 5th
 - b) MCSA Elections: Monday, March 5th through Friday, March 9th
 - c) MCSA Gala: Thursday, March 22nd

- d) Support the U Day: Tuesday, April 10th
- e) Sustainability Forum: TBD

B. For Action:

1. Spring semester initiative brainstorming

- a) Break into 4 groups to discuss next semester
- b) Reconvene for large group discussion
- c) Making the MCSA information much more accessible to people that are not just in MCSA, making it more available to the public
- d) Greenhouse and conservatory: There was talking about closing it. A lot of the professors do their research there. Trieu: They are increasing the research there so it being used more. It just needs a lot of money regarding the renovations and we don't have the money. It makes us lose money. We should have people sign into the guest book
- e) Real housewives of Morris.
- f) Spring Semester activities fair
 - (1) Inviting different offices like counseling and student services to make people more aware.
- g) Student community interaction. Promoting community events and having MCSA participate more. Being more involved in the community. E.g. adopt a highway or have a food shelf
- h) Food contract and Noah Pilugin's committee is working on listerv replacement
- i) Forum debate/discussion like the campus conversations but at better times and more student input focused. The topics would be more student oriented like gen eds, infrastructure.
- j) Looking and redoing the MCSA budget
- k) MCSA bowling

IX. Announcements

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- A. “The Nutcracker Suite” Jazz Ensemble and Chamber Orchestra performance is Wednesday, Dec. 6th at 7:30 pm in the HFA Recital Hall. Students \$1.
 - B. Senior Banquet is Dec. 7th from 5-7 pm in Oyate. [RSVP!](#)
 - C. UMM budget community discussion is Friday, Dec. 8th at noon in the Science Auditorium.
 - D. Yule Ball is Saturday, Dec. 9th from 9pm-1am. Tickets are \$2.
 - E. Late Night Bite (RIP Midnight Breakfast) is Sunday, Dec. 10th from 9:30-11:00 pm in the Dining Hall. It’s free!
 - F. Rep. Collin Peterson's office in DC is looking for interns for Spring 2018 and Fall 2018. Email Roger Rose or Ruby if interested.
 - G. Good luck with finals!
- X. Adjourned at 6:55**