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Memo to: MCSA Executive Committee
From: President Rosemark
Subject: Executive Committee Meeting, September 18th, 2019

Called to order at 6:32 pm

I. Approve Agenda
   A. Scovil motions
   B. Barber seconds
   C. Motion passes

II. Approve Minutes from 9/4/19
   A. Scovil motions
   B. Westfield seconds
   C. Motion passes

III. Old Business:
   A. Website Bios
   B. Strength Finder 2.0 Book (2 minutes)

Rosemark- Please put your results in this link.
Barber- Where do we go to get reimbursed?
Lund- Office of Student Activities.
   C. First Forum Reflection (5 minutes)

Scovil- I want to reiterate Maddie H.’s idea of posters, we could get a lot more people if we put up posters.

Happ- As I was leaving for forum, people were asking where I was going, so they don’t really know where we meet and what time.

D. Fall Retreat (5 minutes)
   1. Approval of $16.41 in additional funds

Rosemark- That’s how much we went over the budget.
Westfield- What was the original budget?
Rosemark- $75.
Westfield- That’s...wow...
Rosemark- We also got a s’mores roaster for $.99!
Westfield- Why would you get that if you were already over budget?
   Westfield motions to approve
Loechler seconds
Scovil abstains
Motion passes

2. Reflection

Rosemark- I think the retreat went well.

E. Tuition Waiver Info Session (5 minutes)

Rosemark- There is a meeting scheduled with CNIA with Josh and Maddie and the CNIA co-chairs tomorrow. The main thing we need to establish is: is it cosponsored? Who is sponsoring? Whatever they are comfortable with, if they don’t care, then I would suggest cosponsoring/co-hosting. Then we need the date and the programming and guests.

Barber- What would the date be like?

Scovil- It depends on who is leading it.

Rosemark- Could be the evening, could be the community hour.

Scovil- Why would we want more things in community hour? People aren’t available.

Rosemark- Maybe a Thursday evening.

Rosemark- So we also need a location and general plan for the program.

F. Membership (5 minutes)

1. Open Positions:

   a) MCSA Positions

      (1) MSLC Reps (1 or 2)
      (2) Budget Manager (1)
      (3) At-Large Reps (2)
      (4) Campus Assembly Reps (3)
      (5) First Year Council (4)

   b) Visioning & Planning Task Forces

      (1) #2 Research and Creative Opportunities (1 students)

      Rosemark- Wyatt Anderson will be doing this probably.

      (2) #7 Accessibility (1 student)

      Rosemark- I suggested Agnes Dieter.

      (3) #8 Connectivity; UMM's place in the region, system (1 student)
c) Strategic Recruitment Council (1 or 2 students)
Rosemark- I sent a list of a bunch of students for these.

d) Committee on Committee Restructure (1 student)
Rosemark- I suggested Andy Brichacek.

2. Recruitment Strategies
Rosemark- Posters would be a good idea, what do we want it to look like?
Loechler- Kriss Baye could design it.
Rosemark- The secretary of campus relations should handle it.
Loechler- So I will talk to him.
Rosemark- As long as it has the MCSA logo, and when we meet, I’m fine with it. It should say every other Monday starting ____. I think we should also do tabling. Sydney could you start a sheet for tabling?
Happ- We should table on Mondays and be like “Forum’s tonight!”
Rosemark- We could use the box of papers we did. Any other ideas?
Scovil- We should use our own facebook page to say when forum is happening.

IV. New Business:

A. Sustainable & Affordable Courses Resolution Update by Secretary Happ & Discussion (5 minutes)
Happ- My committee had a lot to say. So, they first said the resolution is cool, but is it going to do anything, will it even be relevant? The good criticism, by saying paperless by 2021, it only mentions classes, but if we want to be a paperless campus, there are other things that use paper campus wide. They also just disagreed with it in general, that it isn’t realistic. The language sounds very forceful, it should be more encouraging. It also goes against affordability because people need to have expensive gadgets to use it. Also, the main problem is professors not allowing paperless note taking, not ebooks. The way we talked about it was like “encouragement vs. communism.”
Rosemark- For the record, communism is not that bad. But the point of a resolution is demanding. If it isn’t demanding and doesn’t have a time bound thing, then it is a little bit pointless.
Happ- People also said that laptops can be distracting.
Rosemark- Open source textbooks and ebooks are what we are aiming to encourage.
Happ- People who are in the hard sciences will usually want to keep their books, and ebooks usually have expiration dates.
Scovil- I would print off my ebook pages, and I also prefer highlighting real paper, which a lot of students prefer.
Loechler- And printing off everything defeats the whole purpose.
Rosemark- Would the best move be to continue drafting it? I think it should all still be linked it.
Happ- I can send an email about us tweaking it and drafting it.
Loechler- What if we went to a more organization-approach?
Lund- Offices use a LOT of paper as well, they’re a big source of paper use/waste on campus.
Happ- I can take it back next meeting and we can continue to discuss it.
Rosemark- The main goal is still the allowance of paperless classrooms by 2021. Students should be allowed to use paperless means in the classroom.
Loechler- Should we make the wording be more like “making the option more accessible.” They don’t want demanding, the committee, they want encouraging. Putting it onto students as they wish.
Rosemark- It’s not the students we’re going after, it’s the professors.
Lund- The wording of “paperless by 2021” is sort of, bad? Now?
Loechler- Some majors, it’s pretty much impossible to have all online and open source textbooks at this point.
Lund- Yes, exactly.
Happ- The exact wording of it does not speak to what we’re appearing to try to do.
Rosemark- Do we want to scrap it?
Westfield- It seems like a very short time frame.
Loechler- Even Margaret Kuechenreider, who is very environmentally sustainable, still prints things out for students.

B. Commencement Speaker (5 minutes)

1. MCSA Exec to call for nominations
Rosem rak- Formerly, the functions and awards committee did it. Now, they’re wondering if we want to do it. One way it could work: we send out a google form for seniors to fill out, and then look into the answers and send a list to the Chancellor, who will then invite them. We should make like a top 5 list to send to her.
-All agree that we want to take part in this.-

C. Registrar Search Committee (5 minutes)
Westfield- Janet emailed me because I used to sit on Curriculum, and said I would be a good choice for this, and I said no. We need a student to do it. She said she would prefer the candidate to be male.

D. Lunch with President Gabel - 9/23/19, 12:30 PM at LaFave (2 minutes)
Rosemark- Please go to this if you were invited. Most professors should be okay with it.

E. Lunch with Student Legal Services - 9/25/19, Time TBD (2 minutes)
Rosemark- If you would like to attend, please go. Student legal services is on the twin cities campus, they have lawyers that can meet with students, Morris used to have it, but we stopped contracting with them for whatever meeting. We are possibly looking to maybe have a lawyer come up every month. They are going to do some info sessions. If you want us to have that, please go. Also, if you just want to go and get free lunch.
Interested: Maddie K, Maddie H, Sydney, Josh, Sam, John.

F. Meeting with VCs (2 minutes)
Westfield- Is that, by chance, a lunch?
Rosemark- It very well could be! Last year I had meetings with Sandy biweekly to talk about everything, so you should think about setting up something like this with you respective VCs.
Maddie H.- Bryan Herman
Maddie K.-Sandy
Julia- Janet
Sydney- Jenna
Rosemark- Should we send out a mass email about that to all of them?
All agree.

G. Climate Strike (2 minutes)
Rosemark- Go! To it! Would we want the executive committee to write a letter encouraging professors to allow students to attend?
Kornely- It's a little late, isn't it?
Lund- It’s literally tomorrow.
Loechler- We could do it tonight, and have it for Friday.
Rosemark- We could do it to show our support.
Lund- Where would it be sent?
Rosemark- To all the faculty.
Happ- I feel like you really want to write the letter.
Loechler- Well, the whole point of a strike is to not ask permission.

V. Member, Committee, and Organization Reports

A. Sam

I will be leaving tomorrow at 3:30 for the inauguration. I will be back by 5:30pm on Friday.

B. Josh

I’m not on a committee, I sat on consultative last Tuesday and we don’t have a chair. There’s a chairs meeting and no one wants to step up to be the chair. It’s not going to be me, but we’re working on finding a chair. The search committee was another update.

C. Sydney

My committee (Campus Relations) is in disarray.
Rosemark- Why can’t you meet during the Mondays where we don’t have forum?
Loechler- It’s not a me-situation. It’s because people are not committing. Brie can’t commit, she deferred, she’s still a student, she’s President of a club, but she isn’t committing to MCSA.
Rosemark- She missed one meeting, and she missed a campus assembly day, and only one missed campus assembly is it. So don’t plan around her.
Loechler- I won’t.

D. Julia

E. Maddie H.

I already talked about what we talked about, but we’re meeting every off week, and I will send out a message to our messenger group if we are not. I planted the seed to start thinking about sustainability forum.

F. Maddie K.

Nobody answers when I ask what time we can meet, and Student affairs meets next Tuesday.
Rosemark- Try to meet on the off Monday, so people shouldn’t have any commitments during that time.

G. Anika
The POOP guy is talking at MoQSIE tonight. He’s in the LGBT community, that’s why he’s talking at MoQSIE, but he’s here with the theater discipline and the environmental sciences. It’s more of a performance than a talk.
Rosemark- We will also be talking at the climate strike.
   H. Marley
The Jonas Brothers! Yeah!
   I. John
Nothing.
   J. At-Large Representative
   K. At-Large Representative
   L. At-Large Representative (1st Yr)
   M. Budget Manager

VI. **Agenda Construction for September 23rd**

Finzen- I am the MoQSIE rep, and I was taken off, so please put me on.
Lund- Josh, please just have the committees and orgs in just one line instead of spaced out like that.

VII. **Test Door Access**
Adjourned at