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**Memo to:** MCSA Executive Committee  
**From:** President Rosemark  
**Subject:** Executive Committee Meeting, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Called to order 6:32pm

**I. Approve Agenda**

- A. Westfield motions
- B. Scovil seconds
- C. Motion passes

**II. Welcome Lindsey, First-Year At-Large Representative**

**III. [For Info: Minutes from 10/30/19](#)**

- A. Loechler motions
- B. Happ seconds
- C. Motion passes

**IV. Old Business:**

- A. For Info: Have your Committee donate food!

Happ- Question, all of it is coming in here?

Maloney- How do we sort that?

Rosemark- We can get some sticky notes and assign corners.

Loechler- There could be sabotage.

Kornely- I will take pictures of my pile!

Rosemark- No sabotage please.

Lund- When does that end.

Rosemark- December 1st

Loechler- Are we accepting donations after thanksgiving?

Rosemark- Yeah sure.

- B. For Info: Sustainability Forum Dec. 5th.

Rosemark- In the TMC, please plan on attending. It will be 6:30-7:30, questions after.

- C. Steering Meeting (*10 minutes*)

- 1. MCSA Representative Position

Rosemark- We met yesterday, what was your impression Lindsey?

Roemeling- It was fine?

Rosemark- We talked about the proposal, Ted kind of mischaracterized his feedback he received.

Roemeling- He said that we thought that faculty were unable to decide if students were good, which was not what we meant.

Rosemark- He said students were concerned that they would be scared to sit on a committee with their nominator, which wasn't exactly getting at the true issue. Basically everyone else was saying like "why are we talking about this?" Some members were not initially there on the first meeting about it. Ted said something like that MCSA and him agreed that MCSA would come up with a counter offer. Ted asked for the language of the proposal, and I said I could have done that if he asked before, but I presented it there. His main concerns were that people would have to be apart of MCSA and that MCSA would still be in charge of the nominations. Either they're going to approve our solution or we aren't going to talk about it any more.

Rosemark- We were thinking of changing the bylaws to include the MCSA Rep, but we should probably just wait to see what's all going on.

#### D. Campus Inclusivity (*20 minutes*)

##### 1. Committee Meetings

Rosemark- How was the student affairs meeting?

Loechler- Dave, really derailed the whole thing. We didn't get to talk about a lot of it, I showed them what we had been talking about. Dave said we could only control time, place, and manner. We only got to the mural, which is as far as we got. A lot of people loved the idea, but Dave wanted us to come back with it next week with an actual presentation.

Kornely- Yeah, he wants us to present it now.

Loechler- If you would like to make a google slides presentation, go for it, but I do not have the time. They kind of ignored the actual document with the proposals. They were expecting the not funding to fix all of the issues, which isn't really the case.

Kornely- Yeah, we mainly just talked about the mural.

Loechler- A lot of people had ideas about the artistic direction for the mural, which is really not what we need to talk about at the moment. The next meeting is November 26th.

Rosemark- There will be a VCAA date that day. Your committee might reschedule or cancel.

##### 2. [Initiatives](#)

##### 3. [COWGE Best Practices](#)

Rosemark- This isn't the proposed policy, it's just a gathering of policies that other schools have. So this is something we could look at. They want MCSA to give them feedback about it. One idea is to have a contact on posters for disability forces, but Dave said we would have to protect anonymous speech.

Lund- I think having student activities decide everything is a bad idea.

Loechler- I thought about it and was wondering who else would do it? I don't know if any other place is a fit besides student activities.

Barber- Could, for disability contact stuff, could it just go through a building event manager?

Rosemark- Yeah, I mean there would still have to be someone from the event to contact about it.

#### 4. Next Steps

a) EDA Trainings

b) [It Ends Here](#).

Rosemark- The Equity Diversity Advocates program.

Westfield- We went over it in consultative.

Rosemark- It was approved by campus assembly and it is being run by Heather Peters and Jennifer Rothchild and it is to train people on committee to think more about equity and diversity when meeting with committee and to try and make our campus more equitable. So for example, when looking back at the stage naming on the mall, hopefully with more EDAs something like that would be avoided in the future. I was thinking it would be good to have an EDA training session during one of our forum times, as well as work with them to do an open training for anyone to attend. I think students would go if they were offered.

Rosemark- The other thing is the it ends here campaign.

Westfield- How many posters do we have that have people from other places?

Loechler- Yeah, like even the bookstore outsources their models.

Rosemark- We could make the same video but with Morris students. I sent the idea to Heather Peters, and she thought it would be a good idea too, and we could apply for a grant.

Rosemark- So this would be probably next semester but I agree with Julia that we should still do something this semester. We could have a poster making session and open dialogue.

Scovil- My idea with the poster making thing was turning posters into a positive thing.

Rosemark- It could be like poster making lesson.

Lund- People could derail into making bad posters.

Rosemark- We could have a session on gender and sexuality, an info session? I can send an email to Adrienne and Chelsea and see what they think.

E. Affordable & Sustainable Courses Resolution (5 minutes)

Happ- We voted on it, it passed in my committee. They had no huge reservations on it.

Rosemark- I sent it to LeAnn and Janet. LeAnn liked it, she thought it would be good to have faculty representation on the work group. I don't know how that selection process would happen.

Scovil- Who might have recommendations.

Rosemark- Janet sent an email back and said it would go against University of Minnesota policy. Policy says that professors can have discretion about electronic use in their classes, and the resolution says that students must be allowed. According to policy, they could ask a student to leave if they are using an electronic device if they choose to.

Scovil- We could do a resolution just on this campus.

Rosemark- I don't know how that works, but I think we could pass this right now. Janet said she will email me with more later.

F. Community of Scholars (Dec. 7th) Volunteering for Prairie Gala (5 minutes)

Rosemark- Please sign up. Make sure your committees sign up. SOdexo will give us money for the gala if we volunteer.

V. **New Business:**

A. Healthy Eating Initiative (10 minutes)

Rosemark- Me and the Maddie's had breakfast with Sean Shermann, we talked about how we could incorporate more indigenous foods on campus and make a movement with people cooking together.

Happ- I know we have to involve Sodexo, but the cooking demonstrations they have done before haven't been great. One time, someone made a mayo salad, so...

Rosemark- We could maybe do it in the TMC? One thing they wanted to do was make a map of the edible foods on campus, which is already happening.

Scovil- I think it be cool but I don't know if we need to be involved.

Lund- We might be spreading ourselves a bit thin.

Rosemark- We could talk about incorporating more indigenous foods into the dining hall.

Finzen- Do we want them ruining those foods?

Happ- We would also have to worry about sourcing.

Kornely- The point of this is to sustainable.

Scovil- If sodexo did stuff about locally sourced food that would be good.

Rosemark- We could try to start up the food committee. We used to have it and it was about talking about food on campus.

Lund- Sodexo knows, they know about the issues, they are doing what they can. They are really understaffed and have limited abilities in the food desert that is Morris.

Scovil- I think a task force could be good.

**B. UMN Senator Possible Vacancy (5 minutes)**

Rosemark- There might be a vacancy approaching for the senate. So usually what happens, forum will elect someone.

**C. For Info: Give To The Max Day Tomorrow!**

**VI. Member, Committee, and Organization Reports**

**A. Sam**

Give to the max day tomorrow!

**B. Josh**

Westfield-Julia and I went to Mike's IC class about MCSA and how to get involved.

Scovil- It was dead.

Westfield- It was pretty dead. Anyway, now we are restructuring the sports management major.

**C. Sydney**

I have not gotten on the apparel stuff, the fanny packs. They're \$12 through CustomInk. My committee had a virtual meeting. Very positive feedback on the Prairie Gala theme being Murder Mystery. I went ahead and got the rest of the student center reserved besides the TMC but I can do that if we need it. Dave wants to be the dead body.

Rosemark- We should get invitations started soon.

**D. Julia**

Last week my committee met and sent out a lot of emails. We emailed LeAnn about the library initiative and she wants to send it next semester. We emailed Tammy about the test-in part about the major and take a year and go up, she was all for it. Last time, what happened was students came and talked to Tammy about how it was unfair to other majors. In 2015, there was lots of research done about that idea, and Tammy sent me presentations about it. Math and science

majors are the biggest obstacle. Tammy suggested we look at the 2009 course catalog and 2019 and see the difference. We emailed Jessica Porwoll and haven't heard back about the APlus stuff. We are looking at a way to get NAIS and environmental issues brought into WLA courses. My first meeting with Janey is next week and we want to talk about standardizing WLA.

E. Maddie H

We talked about sustainability forum at our last meeting and about tech fee. Finance is up in the air right now because we had a set schedule, and since the hearings are now happening, we have to reschedule, and there isn't a good way to do that. It's being worked out right now, the proposal is that there will be two meetings where half of us can't be there.

F. Maddie K.

We didn't meet on Monday, so nothing to report.

Rosemark- They haven't gotten back to us about the tuition waiver info session.

G. Anika

H. Marley

I. John

J. Shelby

I might try to redo the budget within the week and bring it next week.

K. Lindsey

The freshmen meet tomorrow to talk about initiatives.

L. At-Large Representative

M. At-Large Representative

**VII. [Agenda Construction for 11/4/19](#)**

**VIII. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.