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**Memo to:** MCSA Forum Members  
**From:** MCSA Executive Committee  
**Subject:** Forum Agenda for Monday, October 7th, 2019.

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

**I. Open Forum**

**II. For Action: Approve Agenda**

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

**III. For Action: Approve [Minutes from 9.23.2019](#)**

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

**IV. *Esmira Alieva on Community Meals***

Alieva- Hi everyone, my name is Esmira Alieva, I'm a senior and I'm the president of MSA. Community meals is something we do multiple times per year and I am here today to invite you to our exotic and tasty dinner. MSA is hosting with the office of engagement. There is usually not a community meal in October, but we are trying to make it an annual thing. We have some family members of those in the club that will be making the meal, it's free and open to everyone, please help spread the word. We also need volunteers, you might think it doesn't make a difference to give an hour of your time to help, but it really helps. Last time we fed 129 people, and the rest goes to the food shelf. I appreciate your time and please volunteer. Prep on the 13th from 2:30-when we get done, the meal is Monday, October 14th from 5:30-when we stop serving.

**V. President's Remarks**

Thanks for coming, nice to see some new faces. We have a plant in the back, Peter, so that's cool. You should all sign up to help with the meal. The secretaries are going to cover what we've been working on.

**VI. Committee Reports**

**MCSA Committees**

Academic Affairs

Scovil- We did not meet this last week, but we will meet for like ten minutes after this, this year we will be working on lowering the credit count for foreign language minors, and working on if we can make them more into studies of the culture and language.

### Campus Relations

Loechler- We talked about the first steps for the prairie gala, which is next semester but it's a lot of work so we need to start soon. Also, what kind of connections we can make as a student body with the community and what will have the best impact. Like, government connections between us and the City of Morris and looking at how we can connect our community to our students about jobs and availability of those jobs.

### Resources and Operations

Happ- Recently, we have been talking about a resolution, our main objectives are the sustainability forum in November, next meeting we will be narrowing down our ideas about sustainability forum, so if you have any ideas come talk to me about them! We will also be talking a lot about tech fee this year.

### Student Services

Rosemark- Working on the info session on the tuition waiver, lessening the burden and ending the stigma. Also looking at a bias response and referral network.. Later in the year they will be looking at tenant rights and maybe doing a survey about that.

### Executive Committee

Rosemark- We will be calling on nominations for the 2021 commencement speaker. The 2020 one has already been decided, we have identified students to be on search committees. We have a student on all of them, except the athletic director, if you're interested in that talk to me about it.

### First Year Council

## **Campus Assembly Committees**

### Consultative

Westfield- Our main goal is to figure out what consultative is, we are having an identity crisis. Hopefully we will come up with something, our main focus will probably be improving campus climate.

### Curriculum

Janet broke us into sub groups, and each of us are trying to come up with new gen ed things, whether that be reforming old ones or coming up with new ones.

### Equity and Diversity

Meeting tomorrow, this will be the first one.

### Finance

We talked about money, we do a lot of budget going over, and recommendations. Specifically, next time, we are talking about the HLC visit and specifically how the budget will play into that.

### Membership

We tried to fill open spots on committees, we will randomly email people. We are meeting Thursday.

### Planning

We had the NASS program come in and talk about renewing the program, because this is the end of our contract, so we will be renewing that, and talked about the

#### Scholastic

We are meeting with admissions this week, like about barriers for international students, gen eds that can be a barrier for people coming here. We are waiting for the office of the registrar to be filled

#### Steering

Working a lot on community hour, and what is it? Should it be a community hour or a committee hour? They created a committee focused on the restructure of committees, so I think that will be a good thing.

#### Student Affairs

Johnson- Meeting tomorrow, deals with policy and services to students. From everything making sure student life goes well to approving student orgs. We want to work on our classifications for student orgs. We want to look at mental health and the Let's Thrive campaign. Trying to integrate sustainability and efficiency and how to make us healthy and happy.

## **VII. Organization Reports**

### BSU

Meeting tonight at 7

### CNIA

Changed powwow date from april 11th to march 28th. Powwow committee meeting tomorrow night.

NASS is playing lacrosse on Wednesday on the mall so you're all welcome to go to that.

### KUMM

Jojo and Peter meeting with Ampers on Friday morning.

### MoQSIE

It's coming out week. There was a coffee chat today, there is stuff happening all week, posters will be going up soon. There is an allies and questioning and panel on Wednesday.

### Saddle Club

Yesterday, we got another horse on campus. We have two on campus right now, facilities is finally fixing our electric fence. We are planning haunted barn. You can look at the post on the forum on it or just email me if you want to volunteer!

## **VIII. Old Business**

For Information:

### 1) [First Year Representative elections](#)

a) Will close tonight at 11:59 PM

## 2) Executive Vice President and Provost Candidate Forums

W- There was one yesterday, you should attend. They're in HFA 45, times are listed in the emails that you will get. System wide issues are being discussed.

For Action:

## IX. New Business

For Information:

### 1) MCSA Q&A

#### a) Open forum positions

##### i) Campus Assembly Representative (1)

Rosemark- Open to all students, you should not run for that if you are a first year, because it's included in first year council. Elected by the forum. Votes on all major policy decisions.

Westfield- Best position for getting connected with faculty and staff.

##### ii) MSLC Reps (2)

Rosemark- Minnesota student legislative coalition. Open to all students

Johnson- Fun, you meet some great people.

Rosemark- Email us if you're interested. Least amount of time commitment. Get a \$50 stipend for the year. A lot of tabling, telling students to contact their representative, and a lot of planning for the lobby day.

##### iii) Budget Manager (1)

Shelby- What does the budget manager do?

Westfield- They manage the budget. We have a set budget that we set last year, and the BM tells us if they can spend our money or not.

Happ- They would be on my committee.

Westfield- They sit on exec, if you are on campus assembly you should be on finance. No vote in exec.

Rosemark- A good way to get involved. And help prepare the yearly budget. 2 hour a week time commitment.

##### iv) At-Large Reps (2)

Rosemark- Only available to current members, you have to be a voting member of forum. The at-large reps represent the forum in exec. We have on, Anika, and there are two open ones.

##### v) First Year Council (4)

For Action:

- 1) Approval of Jasmine Pryor as Sustainability Officer
  - a) Johnson motions
  - b) Scovil seconds
  - c) Motion passes
- 2) Approve Intersivity Organization Representative
  - a) Scovil motions
  - b) Johnson seconds
  - c) Motion passes
- 1) Elections for Campus Assembly Representative
  - a) King nominates Kedrick Hill
  - b) Schneider seconds
  - c) Hill accepts
  - d) Feather nominates Amelia Nelson
  - e) Johnson seconds
  - f) Nelson accepts
  - g) Votes are conducted, Amelia Nelson wins the vote.
- 2) Elections for At-Large Representatives
  - a) Barber motions to table this
  - b) Schneider seconds
  - c) Motion passes
- 3) [Membership](#)

Westfield- Sign up for committees that you need to be on. Thank you.

Rosemark- If you are a campus assembly rep, you have to be on a committee. Org reps do not have to be on committees unless they are also campus assembly reps.

**IX. Announcements**

**X. Adjourn.**

Adjourned at 6:52pm.