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Memo to: MCSA Executive Committee
From: President Rosemark
Subject: Executive Committee Meeting, March 11th, 2020

Called to order 6:33pm

- I. **Approve Agenda**
- II. **Approve [Minutes from 3/4/20](#)**
- III. **Old Business:**
 - A. ASC Resolution (*5 minutes*)
 - B. Tech Fee (*20 minutes*)
 - Update from *Secretary Happ*
 - COVID-19
 - [Proposals on Tech Fee Oversight](#)

Happ- We have a total of \$171,200 to use this year for tech fee. I don't know what people are talking about in the money left over, because I haven't been contacted at all. I haven't been contacted by IT either, so we don't know how much they are asking for. Dave said to do it in person still, but no students are going to be here to listen to it. All of the options are in the doc that is linked. One option is to postpone, but we don't know when classes will start again.

Rosemark- One option would be to have a room, presenters could present to the zoom and everyone else is zooming in. There would be an exec member there. People could submit questions in the chat or we could do something like the sustainability forum where people can upvote questions. Or have a google doc where people can type questions.

Westfield- I like the upvoting.

Happ- That is just more tech to rely on.

Rosemark- The deliberation process would be people commenting on each proposal in a google doc and then the exec group would look that over and then do a zoom with just exec and talk about it. And then do the recommendations and have people vote via email.

Barber- I feel like that would be biased for exec, exec would get more input.

Happ- Option 1 would be us relying on zoom for an entire day. Option 2 is less tech heavy but less interactive. We would send out a folder with the proposals and then compile the questions

into a google doc, which would then be sent to presenters, and then they would have a few days to answer those questions. Then the end process would be the same as option 1. So, nothing is going to be pretty.

Westfield- Do you have a rough timeline on the second one?

Happ- If we have forum send questions to us by that Saturday and send them out that day, and then get the answers by Monday. I don't have a timeline for getting it back to forum with all of that.

Barber- So, you are thinking in terms that we will be pushed back.

Happ- I need to let these people know tomorrow. Both option 1 and 2 would happen the weekend that tech fee would happen.

Scovil- I like option 1 because you can save zooms.

Happ- We could have everyone record their talks and then have it watched by forum.

Lund- I feel like that's a lot to ask.

Scovil- We can say that it's required to watch the zoom and recorded parts if people can't.

Westfield- I think option 1 is the best.

Happ- It is the closest to how tech fee currently runs.

Scovil- I think having the proposals available is good regardless of the option we go with.

Happ- The comments would be made on the proposals. So, deliberations with the entire forum would be really hard to do over zoom.

Rosemark- If people are on campus, they can show up to the room. The presenters can also zoom in or be here on campus.

Scovil- The deliberation part is the tricky part.

Happ- I wish we could just postpone, but I don't think it's feasible. I think option 1 is the best, but it will require a lot of work.

Westfield- We will want to get the proposals out to everyone in advance. Assuming zoom works perfectly, we don't want people to ask questions that are in the proposals.

Rosemark- Also, people should have their presentations on the drive.

Happ- Ideally every presenter will be on campus, but I know for a fact that there are at least two students who won't be here.

Barber- I also like the idea of us recording them, I think it can resolve a lot of issues.

Rosemark- I think minutes will be very helpful.

Happ- Deliberations can take a bit more time figuring it out.

Westfield- I think we're good to go for option 1.

Rosemark- I will be here to help facilitate.

Happ- We'll tell forum to go if they can.

Rosemark- We need to change it to HFA 45 instead of Science 1020. We gotta talk to campus police.

Happ- I'll draft an email to send tomorrow.

- C. Tuition Waiver Info Session (*2 minutes*)
- D. Prairie Gala Update by *Secretary Loechler* (*5 minutes*)
- E. MCSA Campus-Wide Elections (*2 minutes*)
- F. 2021 Commencement Speaker Nominations (*5 minutes*)
 - o Google Form & Email

Rosemark- Marley please do this.

- G. STUD (*5 minutes*)

Rosemark- Cancelled, as far as I know.

IV. **New Business:**

- A. 2020 Commencement Speaker Announced (*2 minutes*)
 - o MN Lt. Gov. Peggy Flanagan
- B. Freedom of Speech Language Brought to Assembly (*5 minutes*)
 - o The Campus Assembly of the University of Minnesota Morris endorses the following:
 - 1) The University of Minnesota Morris is unequivocal in valuing and supporting the free speech rights of all members of our University Community provided by the Constitution of the United States and repeatedly upheld through the Judicial system.
 - 2) Any efforts (real or perceived) to restrict those rights must be opposed and when possible met with education* and more speech.

- 3) While an individual or group may choose to waive their free speech rights, it will not be construed as a broader waiving of the rights of other members of our University Community.

*<https://www.aclu.org/other/speech-campus> is not a bad place to start that education

C. [COVID-19](#) (10 minutes)

Rosemark- I emailed Dave asking if students should stay at home like home-home or off campus home. I asked about student workers, and a lot of the faculty had to explain it in class. IT were not really notified that they had to get laptops for folks.

Barber- Peh was under the impression that campus governance would be operating as normal.

Rosemark- So for forum, what should we do?

Happ- If people zoom in, it could be a test run for tech fee.

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

- A. Sam
- B. Josh
- C. Sydney
- D. Julia

We should get more snacks for the exec office.

- E. Maddie H
- F. Maddie K - *excused*
- G. Marley
- H. John
- I. Shelby
- J. Lindsey
- K. Juan
- L. Kimberly
- M. Becca

VI. [Agenda Construction for 3/23/20](#)

VII. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 6:59pm.