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Memo to: MCSA Forum Members
From: MCSA Executive Committee
Subject: Forum Agenda for Monday, February 22nd, 2021.

The Forum will meet on Monday at 6:00 pm on Zoom. Zoom link: z.umn.edu/MCSAForum. Please mute yourself when not speaking or voting.

Reminder that only current voting members are allowed to vote, make motions, and make seconds. However, all are encouraged to participate in discussions. Click [here](#) to check your voting eligibility in Forum.

MCSA core documents like the Constitution, Bylaws, and guide to Robert's Rules can be found [here](#).

This meeting came to order at 6:02pm

I. Open Forum: Tech Fee IT Update by Bill Zimmerman

Bill Zimmerman gave an update on Tech Fee IT. Mr. Zimmerman explained that Morris had expanded Zoom classrooms. There is a plan to update several classrooms, but its being proposed to reduce that number to two. There was a brief discussion about the current budget for 2022 for technology updates. Mr. Zimmerman also discussed the updates that took place over this past summer. A point that was brought up was to have a focus on updating the wifi since online learning has been so much more common. Something that was brought up is the need for different labs being updated, for example when was the last update for the labs or how used are the labs.

II. For Action: Approve Agenda

- 1.) Kimberly Novotny
- 2.) John Barber

This motion passed.

III. For Action: Approve Minutes [02.15.21](#)

- 1.) Shanda Pittman
- 2.) Lindsey Roemeling

This motion passed.

IV. Committee Reports

MCSA Committees

- Academic Affairs
- Campus Relations
- Resources and Operations

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Student Services

Executive Committee

First-Year Councilcenter

Campus Assembly Committees

Consultative

Curriculum- HAs started having discussions with administration about the general education requirement regions. Students will be presented with two or three options to look at sometime this semester.

Equity and Diversity

Finance

Membership

Planning

Scholastic

Steering

Student Affairs

V. Organization Reports

BSU

CNIA

MoQSIE

InterVarsity

KUMM

SDS

VI. Old Business

For Information:

- 1) Budget approval

The budget was fully approved for next year.

- 2) Prairie Gala Update - *presented by Lindsey Roemeling*

Lindsey Roemeling gave a brief update on the Prairie Gala. One proposed idea is to have a silent auction all day in Oyate.

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3) Tech Fee Update - *presented by Cole Maxwell*

Cole Maxwell let everyone know that there are now four proposals for tech fee.

4) Governing documents changes - *presented by Joey Daniewicz*

a) Rank choice voting

Joey Daniewicz discussed adding rank choice voting for the office of MCSA President.

b) Removal of credit requirement

The introduction of the removal of the 12 credit requirements for the office of MCSA President.

c) Miscellaneous

5) First-year cohort building programming

a) Speed friendshipping

b) Indy vs Gay snowball fight

c) Socially distant ice cream social

All three ideas listed above are potential ways to help get more of a feeling of community among first year students. A proposed idea is to do a snowball fight as an alternative to the traditional tug of war and to help have students

For Action

1) Election Commissioner election

Julia Scovil nominated Gabby Holboy for the position of election commissioner. Sierra Brown seconded.

Mitchel Morris Nominated himself. Sierra Brown seconded.

Both candidates shared some experience and how they would be good for this position.

Gabby Holboy won this election.

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Mitchal, Camerean, Noelle, John, Cole, and Shelby were all voted in as members of the election commission.

- 2) Approval of \$750 and cosponsorship for EDI book club and speaker

liz thomson discussed a book club that is happening on campus with the book that has to do with race.

- 1.) Sierra Brown
- 2.) Cameron Berthiaume

VII. New Business

For Information:

- 1) EDI Women's History Month event co sponsorship - *presented by Sam Fellers*
Sam Fellers discussed a women's history month event that will be held. There will be a mini film festival that will show many movies that show women in leadership roles. EDI is asking for MCSA to be a co-sponsor for this event, this sponsorship isn't fiscal.

IX. Announcements

A. [Black History Month Events](#)

Sierra Brown elaborated on some Support the U day. She elaborated on some details for why students will be hearing more about Support the U day as well as local politicians. This is something that will be discussed more throughout this next couple of weeks.

Noelle Muzzy briefly shared some details about the sustainability and energy expo. Currently they are looking for students that are interested in sustainability to present.

X. Adjourn.

This meeting was adjourned at 6:58 pm