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**Memo to:** MCSA Forum Members  
**From:** MCSA Executive Committee  
**Subject:** Forum Agenda for Monday, April 25th, 2021.

The Forum will meet on Monday at 6:00 pm on Zoom. Zoom link: [z.umn.edu/MCSAForum](https://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:**

- A. Motion to approve the agenda
  - 1) Cal Mergendahl
  - 2) Julia Scovil
- B. Motion Passes

**II. For Action: Approve Minutes [04.19.21](#)**

- 1) Julia Scovil
- 2) Shanda Pittman
- A. Motion passes

**III. President's Remarks**

- A. President Scovil thanked everyone who helped with and attended Prairie Gala.  
There was not as high of attendance as a normal year, but people who went had fun.

**IV. Committee Reports**

**MCSA Committees**

- Academic Affairs
- Campus Relations

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Resources and Operations

Student Services

Executive Committee

First-Year Councilcenter

**Campus Assembly Committees**

Consultative

- Consultative will be meeting this Thursday and will discuss VCAA Dean Applicants' cover letters

Curriculum

Equity and Diversity

Finance

Membership

- Every MCSA member needs to sign up for committees tonight

Planning

Scholastic

Steering

Student Affairs

**V. Organization Reports**

BSU

CNIA

- Jade Allard will be next year's CNIA representative in MCSA

MoQSIE

InterVarsity

KUMM

SDS

**VI. Old Business**

For Information:

- 1) Sexual Misconduct Hearing Committee *presented by President Scovil.*

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- a) President Scovil gave an update on the committee. It's up to the University to decide what makes someone biased and unable to be on this committee. It was a university decision to say that advocates for victims of sexual assault are considered biased and can't serve on this committee. President Scovil emailed a variety of schools to see what their universities counted as disqualifying measures. If those schools do not respond by the end of this week, MCSA will draft a letter going against banning advocates from being on this committee.

## **VII. New Business**

For Information:

- 1) [VCAA/Dean Search Candidates](#) *presented by Vice President Dylan Young.*
  - a) Peh Ng Zoom Q&A session at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 28.
  - b) Bradley Deane Zoom Q&A session at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, April 30.
    - i) Vice President Young explained that Peh Ng and Bradley Deane are the candidates for VCAA. If you have questions for the candidates there is a form that has been emailed to everyone where you can submit your questions (the form is anonymous). There was an email sent out today with the zoom links to those sessions. Everyone's encouraged to go to those Q+A's and keep up to date on the discord.
    - ii) Deadline to get questions in is this Wednesday at 9am

For Action

- 1) Campus Assembly Committee Sign-Up *presented by Vice President Young.*
  - a) [Committee Information](#)
  - b) [Committee Sign-Up](#) (Campus Assembly)
    - i) President Scovil and Vice President Young explained what campus assembly is. Campus assembly is where staff and student representatives discuss different things going on in

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the university. It's like forum, but includes the whole campus.

- ii) Motion to add Cal Mergendahl to steering committee:
    - (1) Cameron Berthiaume
    - (2) Julia Scovil
    - (3) Motion Passes
  - iii) Questions were asked about what each committee does. These are the committees that were discussed.
    - (1) Vice President Young explained that the Student Affairs committee has worked on things like the poster policy in the past. Public safety may also become a sub committee of Student Affairs.
    - (2) Gabby Holboy explained that the EDI committee is currently talking about what "new normal" stuff should stay after covid's over. EDI committee makes sure everyone's being properly treated on campus.
    - (3) President Scovil explained that Curriculum committee looks at new classes, gen ed reform (this is probably what the committee will focus on most next year).
    - (4) President Scovil explained that Scholastic goes over things like changing grade policies.
  - iv) Motion to approve Membership as a slate (Juan Vasquez Garcia and Sierra Brown)
    - (1) Julia Scovil
    - (2) Noelle Muzzy
    - (3) Motion Passes
- 2) Approve Appointed Positions
- a) Budget Manager: Kendra DeRosa
  - b) Sustainability Officer: Griffin Peck
  - c) DEI Officer: Biz Rathbun
  - d) Government Relations Officer: Sierra Brown
  - e) BOR Representative: Juan Vasquez Garcia
    - i) President Scovil Introduced the people in the appointed positions.
    - ii) Motion to approve the appointed positions as a slate
      - (1) Julia Scovil
      - (2) Shelby Maloney
      - (3) Motion Passes

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- 3) Nominate [Parliamentarian](#)
  - a) Vice President Young explained that Parliamentarian is an ex officio (non voting) member of exec. They help keep track of the rules. It's a really important role for operations. Joey Daniewicz explained that the parliamentarian makes forum run smoothly, makes sure people are following rules, and remembers what is in the MCSA constitution/bylaws. They also give a presentation on Robert's Rules during the retreat.
  - b) Nominate Grace Hiltner 1) Julia Scovil 2) Noelle Muzzy Grace accepted
  - c) Nominate Henry Hubred 1) Henry Hubred 2) Noelle Muzzy Henry accepted
  - d) Voted on who is parliamentarian. Grace Hiltner won
- 4) Committees briefly met in breakout rooms to do introductions.

**IX. Announcements**

**X. Adjourn.**