MCSA Forum minutes 09/20/2021

Morris Campus Student Association

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Memo to: MCSA Forum Members
From: MCSA Executive Committee

The Forum will meet on Monday at 6:00 pm in Imholte 109 and 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.

I. Open Forum
   A. Nomination and Approval of Consultative Committee Membership (2)
Dylan: We’ll be nominating two people for consultative committee. No one else ran last Spring, so we’re nominating candidates in the open forum. Follows same process as at large reps.
What committee does: Campus assembly committee that has equal number of students staff and faculty. They are consulted by organizations on campus that want feedback. You do not need to be a current MCSA member to be on Consultative Committee. You’ll become a voting member of forum after being elected to Consultative. The student with the most votes gets a 2 year term, the other student gets a 1 year term. Takes place on Thursdays at 11:40 so if you’re already on a committee at that time you probably shouldn’t run for this

Leah
   1) Julia
   2) Briana
Madison
   1) Gabby
II. Approve Agenda
   1) Kendra
   2) Shelby
   3) Motion Passes

III. Approve Minutes: 9.13.21
   1) Jade
   2) Gabby
   3) Motion Passes

IV. President’s Remarks
Julia: Covid numbers are going up in Morris so stay safe and follow safety guidelines. Feel free to join forum on zoom if you don’t feel well.

Dylan: COVID dashboard didn’t update last Friday. Talked to Dave and Sandy is out sick and she is the one who updates it.

V. Committee Reports

MCSA Committees

   Academic Affairs
   Julia will be running again this week. They will talk about Gen Ed proposals and discuss the idea of all campuses using the same academic calendar. Members: Henry, Naeem, Jade, and Biz.

   Campus Relations
   Will discuss Friday’s event and future events (including homecoming). The plan is to make homecoming really big this year. Members: John, Sloane, Gabby, Juan, Maureen, Sierra.
Resources and Operations
Will discuss the Sustainability Forum and Noelle’s Friday meeting with Bryan Herman about past referendums and accessibility. They’ll also go over what the committee wants to work on this year. Members: Kendra, Griffin, Briana, Grace

Student Services
Will discuss Sodexo vegetarian and vegan food issue and student dorm room accessibility. Members: Cameron, Delaney and Daleny, Cal, Anika, and Dylan.

Executive Committee
First-Year Council

Campus Assembly Committees
Consultative
Curriculum
Equity and Diversity
Finance
Kendra: Acting Chancellor Sandy presented about the end of the 10 year campaign. Got 150% of the goal which means more money going back to students. The goal was $21 million and we raised over $30 million. The funds will help with the SAGE grant. Morris exceeded their goal more than any other campus.
Membership
Planning
Scholastic
Steering
Julia: Meeting tomorrow. They will be voting on Campus Assembly agendas. They will also be looking at community hour since it isn’t used as a community thing anymore. Let Julia know if you have thoughts about Community Hour.
Cameron: Don’t let them put classes in during the community hour time because it’s needed for committees.

Student Affairs

VI. Organization Reports
BSU
CNIA

Jade: CNIA had elections. They’re tabling for National Boarding School Remembrance day 27th-30th and will hand out pins. Everyone wear orange on September 30th for National Boarding School Remembrance day.

MoQSIE

KUMM

Cameron: Listen to KUMM!

SDS

Meeting tomorrow about line 3. The national convention is coming up in a month in Minneapolis. If you’re interested or have questions talk to Cal.

VII. Old Business

For Information:

1) First Year Council Election Update presented by Commissioner Barber
   a) Filing Deadline: Monday, September 27th
   b) Election Dates: September 29th - October 1st

Shelby: How many people are running so far?

Dylan: 4 first year candidates

Shelby: Everyone reach out to freshmen to apply

2) Leadership Vacancies
   i) Secretary of Academic Affairs
   ii) Board of Regents Representative
   iii) Government Relations Officer
   iv) Application due 11:59pm CST on Wednesday, September 22nd

Can email the MCSA account or Dylan or Julia if you have questions or concerns about these positions.

VIII. New Business

For Information
1) Request from Student Advisory Committee of the MN Office of Higher Education

This is a statewide group of student leaders who advise the MN Office of Higher Education. They are developing the hunger free campus program. We’ve been asked to designate a Morris representative to serve on this committee. The first meeting will be in October, a date hasn’t been decided yet. Griffin is interested in being the Morris representative.

For Action:

1) Changing our Monday at 6:00pm CST meeting time

Julia: Someone emailed about a time conflict. Should we move the forum time?
Jade: What would the new times be?
Julia: Would have to look at everyone’s calendars
Biz: A time change won’t work
Cal: Keeping this time consistent is a better strategy than to try to fit everyone's schedules in
Shelby: I like the consistent time. It’s hard because a lot of sports meet at this time, but this time works for everyone here so we should keep the time
Sloane: Most clubs at this point have consistent schedules, so changing it will probably lead to less people coming
Daleney: Time or day change? Dylan: Could be either, this would be discussed if we changed it.

Motion to look into a time/day change at further at a later date

1) Shelby
2) Julia
3) Motion fails. Forum will continue to meet Mondays from 6-7pm

IX. Announcements

Julia: Thanks for the work on the event, it was a fun time!

X. Committee Time