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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. Approve Agenda
   1) Noelle Muzzy
   2) Julia Scovil
   3) This Motion Passes

II. Approve Minutes: 10.25.21
   1) Jade Allard
   2) Shelby Maloney
   3) This motion passes

III. Committee Reports

   MCSA Committees
   Academic Affairs
   Vanessa: Committee discussed the meeting with Carrie, and are coming up with questions for the end of semester survey for the Morris 1101 classes.
   Campus Relations
Shelby: Maureen might make a graphic for the Sustainability Forum. Open positions in the All U Senate posters are up around campus.

Resources and Operations
Noelle: Talked about how to make the Sustainability Forum more interactive. Go to the Sustainability Forum on Dec 3rd from 4:30-7pm in the TMC! So far Clement Loo and Syd Bauer have agreed to present. If anyone’s interested in attending have them fill out this form! z.UMN.edu/SustainabilityForum2021

Student Services
Claudia: Met with TJ and are meeting with Bryan Hermann about sodexo next.

Executive Committee
Julia: Vote on Discord Guidelines next week. Julia is working on the tuition waiver senate resolution.
Dylan: Joan Gabel announced that a program similar to Morris’s tuition waiver will start on all UMN campuses.
Jade: Waiver only applies to the transfer students from tribal colleges, not other
Noelle: There is also an income requirement to be eligible for the waiver
Julia: The email also made it sound like only first year students get that money wouldn’t be as good
Cal: It doesn’t seem like students only get the money for their first year, it’s just that it would start with first year students
Shelby: It was not clear on how that would work

First-Year Council
Julia: Meeting this week to plan what there focus will be this year and electing the first year exec rep today.

All University
Dylan: Everyone read Cal’s article in the University Registrar on what the All University committee will be working on.

Campus Assembly Committees
Finance
Shleby: Went over old budgetary information and will discuss the strategic vision plans for the future at the next meeting.
Dylan: Can’t share what they did talk about. It’s in the discord if you want more info.

IV. **Organization Reports**

Black Student Union (BSU)

Circle of Nations Indigenous Association (CNIA)

Jade: Healing Ceremony went well this weekend. Starting Powwow committees. This Saturday is a teach in this Saturday at 9:15am Jade is speaking at it. Dylan: Thanks to MCSA leaders who went to the healing ceremony, it’s important we go. Talk to Jade if you’re interested in being in Powwow committees.

Morris Queer Student Initiative for Equality (MoQSIE)

Jay: Planning for Trans Day of Rememberance, which is later in November. Dylan: Trans Day of Rememberance is another important event for us to support.

Students for a Democratic Society (SDS)

Cal: Going to discuss last week's walk out and start working on the Regents meeting that will be in Morris at March. 7:45pm Mock Flower Room if you’re interested in attending those meetings.

V. **Old Business**

For Information

1) **Discord Guidelines**

Julia: The changes to the guidelines are highlighted in yellow

Dylan: Previous students who aren’t in the discord before graduation won’t be let in the discord, but we won’t kick out students when they graduate. It’s strongly encouraged for students to put their name and pronouns as their name in the server. Sensitive topics will be put under spoilers in discord

Cal: Links, text, and images can be checked as a spoiler. Also send a warning of what’s in the spoiler. Talk to Cal if you want to learn how to do that.

*Exec should make sure how to do spoilers is in the guidelines*

Julia: Added how to do spoilers on discord in the discord guidelines
Dylan: Sending in a petition is going to be defined as sending an email to the president and vice president of MCSA. Appeals can be sent to ummmcsa@morris.umn.edu. The discord guidelines will be reviewed in even academic years because facebook guidelines are reviewed in odd academic years.

Claudia: Do we need to take screenshots of the things we delete?
Dylan: Yes, that seems like a good idea. We should have a place not in the shared drive to put those screenshots.

Henry: Are we going to do alternating years for reviewing the facebook and discord guidelines?
Dylan: Yes, alternating years
Dylan: Since facebook and discord are pretty different, hopefully these two guidelines won’t look similar and will fit each of the different things

Cameron: Need to take into account discord guidelines
Cal: Can just mention that they need to be followed, not look at them specifically
Julia: Don’t have something similar to the facebook guidelines, because it’s assumed that facebook rules need to be followed since we’re already on facebook. We can talk about it at exec if we need to add a guidelines saying people need to also follow discord’s guidelines

New Business

For Information

1) Sustainability Forum presented by Secretary Noelle Muzzy.
   a) Friday, December 3rd, 2021 from 4:30 - 7:00 PM CST
   b) Location: Turtle Mountain Cafe

Noelle: Hoping to get a competition going. Probably going to have a few competitions day of, and a 1 week trash picking up competition tabling leading up to the forum. It will be really fun and we’re planning to get pizza and cookies! If there’s a different sodexo food that’s good let Noelle know.

Dylan: This administration endorses sodexos hot apple cider

Dylan: Is there a place for people to apply to be presenters?

Noelle: If have an interest in something related to sustainability you can present! Noelle will have a link for people to sign up to present soon. Invite people you know to present.

Dylan: Hoping to have a lot of student presenters

Julia: Noelle can send the link to the MCSA email and then we’ll send it out to forum
Noelle: Can invite West Rock people. Janet knows people
liz: As I’ve learned more about sustainability I’ve learned it’s a really broad area related to a lot of different things. Will there be a variety a presenters in different areas?
Noelle: Clement will present and liz can give contacts they know to Noelle
It will be a fun party, but we need everybody to come for it to be a fun party!

2) Teach-In: Impacts and History of Native American Boarding Schools
   a) Saturday, November 6th 9:00 AM to 2:15 PM CST
   b) Location: Imholte 109 or via Zoom Webinar.

Delaney: CNIA is doing something similar on the 17th in Cultural Hour
Jade: Cultural Hour on the 17th is more centered on Native Heritage month, and will be similar
Dylan: Grizz will be one of the speakers at this months culture hour, so everyone go to that!
Camron: Is this an all day event or can you stop in at different times
Dylan: It’s multiple different sessions/presentations. Hope to see everyone there either in person or on zoom!

Julia: Go to Julia if you have not gotten the invite for the teach in yet!
Here’s more info on the Teach In and the different presentations happening:
https://events.morris.umn.edu/event/teach_in#.YYB40dbMJfU

For Action

1) Facebook Forum Guideline Revisions presented by President Julia Scovil.

Julia: Facebook has a definition of hate speech so those are linked in the guidelines so we can use their defition. Petitions can be sent to the MCSA email, and in the past alumni were always let in the forum so that was formally added into the guidelines

Motion to Approve the Facebook Guidelines

1) Noelle
2) Cal
3) Discussion: None
4) This motion passes
2) Nomination and election of first-year, at-large representative to the executive committee.

Dylan: This is the same process as the at large representatives. Julia and Dylan don’t think that’s a great way of doing it, so we’re going to ask members of the forum to let the first year council bring up who should be the first year representative. Then the entire forum will vote on that.

Julia: Feel free to nominate someone else, but Julia will nominate the person who the first year council informally chose to represent then.

Dylan: It makes sense for first year counsel to choose the rep because this person represents them.

1) Julia Nominates Ethan
2) Shelby seconds
3) Ethan accepts
4) Ethan is the First Year Representative

3) Campus Assembly Committee Vacancies
   a) Membership (2 members needed)

Dylan: Membership is elected from the forum. This meets during community hour at the same time as curriculum committee. They decide chairs of committees so it’s an important committee. Meets every other week. Everyone’s eligible.

Cameron: Can we be on more than one committee?

Julia: Depends on the type. If you’re on consultative you can only be on consultative but the other committees you can be on multiple.

Noelle: What is memberships main focus?

Julia: Approves who is on what committees. Looks at how many people should be on committees.

Dylan: Also finds the parliamentarian

Cameron: nominates Grizz

Julia seconds

Grizz doesn’t accept

Dylan: Don’t put first years on the committees
Cameron nominates Henry
Henry says no
Point of Info Jay: 11:40-12:50 thursdays is the meeting time?
Yes
Julia: These spots don’t have to be forum members, so if you know someone who wants to be involved let them know!
Cameron: Who wanted to be on first year council? Maybe they would be interested?

Noelle nominates Daleny Teske
Cameron Seconds
Daleny accepts
Motion passes

Dylan: can nominate the next person next forum. Invite people to try this position! Have them come to the next forum
Cameron: What do you want to get through
Julia: Want to get a minimum amount of student representatives on campus assembly and minimum amount of usa staff (union staff) (if we partner with them) on campus assembly
Cameron: Should we advertise about this position
Daleny: Could put something out in the student org discord
Dylan: has tried to recruit through the discord but it hasn't worked
Cal: a lot of them are not interested or are really busy on that discord. Should focus on talking to specific people who could be interested
Dylan: Best way to recruit people is word of mouth. Encourage people to join these positions!

b) Curriculum (1 member needed)
Julia: Vanessa can be on this committee
  1) Julia
  2) Noelle
  3) Vanessa accepts
c) Scholastic (1 member needed)

Dylan: Instead of looking at curricular policy, looks at policies affecting quality of education (advising, scholarships, graduation, admission, etc). Looks at transfer credits and admission standards.

Julia: meet on the off weeks of curriculum committee. Everyother Thursday during community hour

Cameron: What’s meant by admissions?

Dylan: Talks about who gets admitted into the university (not the environmental admissions)

Julia: Could talk to the student interested in first year council about this position

No nominations so we’ll come back to this next time

IX. Announcements

Briana: Got an email back from Aaron Wenzel about a Student Rep for Briggs Library Associates. This rep does not need to be a voting member of MCSA, but they would become a voting member of this library group. The group’s next meeting is Nov 2nd at 10:30am in the McGinnis Room and there is a zoom option. Is anyone interested in this position? Do we need to vote them in? This position gets to help students get involved with the library and decide how funds are spent. The group meets the first Tuesday of each month from 10:30-11:30am

Julia: If anyone’s interested talk to Julia and you can go to that meeting unofficially

Henry: Publishing infrastructure survey in the discord so everyone check that out and let Henry know if you have any suggestions

Dylan: Creating a Boarding School Awareness student org to spread awareness and be the Search the School leadership. Going to meet right after forum in Louie’s Lower level so go to that if you’re interested! Probably would meet once or twice a month.

Noelle: Green ambassador/tour training Friday from 3:30-4pm in front of welcome center

Denise: 8pm celebration of Dia de los muertos with Union stop by

Griz’s birthday is on the 11th!

X. Adjournment

This meeting adjourned 7pm November 1st