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Memo to: MCSA Forum Members
From: MCSA Executive Committee
Subject: Forum Agenda for Monday, November 15th, 2021.

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) Cameron Berthiaume
- 2) Shelby Maloney
- 3) This motion passes

II. Approve Minutes: [11.14.21](#)

- 1) Jade Allard
- 2) Julia Scovil
- 3) This motion passes

III. Committee Reports

MCSA Committees

Academic Affairs

Campus Relations

Shelby Maloney: Planning to get the sustainability flyer forum to Noelle tonight.

Resources and Operations

Noelle Muzzy: We'll need volunteers to table the week of the forum. Noelle will make a spreadsheet and email it to everyone. We may also need volunteers to help serve food for part of the sustainability forum.

Student Services

Claudia Iron Hawk: Will be meeting with Tony Nemmers

Executive Committee

Julia Scovil: Discussing Native American Tuition Promise Program

First-Year Council

Ethan Balacek: Meeting this week to talk about ideas and the sustainability month

All University

Dylan Young: Figured out details around infrastructure survey. The survey will be sent out within the next few weeks.

Campus Assembly Committees

Steering

Julia Scovil: Trying the hybrid voting format for next campus assembly. A lot of discussion about using common hour time for the distinguishing visiting professor. Got a report from the ad hoc committee on secretaries with ideas that will be brought to the campus soon. No changes with that will likely happen until next year.

Planning

Noelle Muzzy: Talked about admissions and enrollment. Compared current enrollment numbers with goals.

Cameron Berthiaume: Melissa Bert presented. There's not a lot of enrollment of international students. The system is going to start using a program called Slate for admissions. Other systems admissions are supposed to promote the Crookston and Morris campuses. They want to make a clear distinction between Morris's tuition waiver program and the new program the other system campuses are getting.

Equity and Diversity

Student Affairs

Henry Hubred: 3 new clubs will be on campus; latinx, audio recording/podcast, and wrestling. Started planning what the committee will work on.

Membership

Curriculum

John Barber: Talked about Gen Ed proposals. Broke into 2 groups. One focus on experiential learning/first year experience and the other group is working on the themes.

IV. Organization Reports

Black Student Union (BSU)

Circle of Nations Indigenous Association (CNIA)

Jade: Doing culture hour this week. Griz is giving the presentation at Culture Hour on Wednesday from 7-8pm in the Cow Palace (Imholte 109).

Morris Queer Student Initiative for Equality (MoQSIE)

Cal: MoQSIE and Chem club are most likely going to collaborate on slime

Students for a Democratic Society (SDS)

V. Old Business

For Action

- 1) Approval of [Discord Guidelines](#)

Dylan: Guidelines are ready to be approved

Motion to approve the Discord Guidelines

- 1) Julia Scovil
- 2) Shelby Maloney
- 3) Discussion:

Julia: There's no added welcome channel because this doesn't seem to be a current need, and we're reviewing the guidelines next fall so a welcome channel can be added in next year if needed.

This motion passes

VI. New Business

For Action

- 1) [Tuition Promise Program Resolution](#) presented by President Scovil

Julia Scovil: Similar to what we looked at last forum. The bullet points are the stipulations.

Could add current enrollment numbers, but it might be better to keep them out and just know them. Want to lift the financial requirements and provide support for graduate students.

Delaney Anderson and Henry Hubred are going to cosponsor the resolution.

Had 5 minutes for anyone to add suggestions

Cameron: What is the plus of having the enrollment numbers

Julia: Could be used to show the university can afford to cover more students

Cameron: Are the numbers in or out?

Julia: Currently they are out

Cameron: Sounds like a good idea to leave them out unless someone with more knowledge would recommend including those numbers

Cal: Seems like it's good to know and discuss the numbers, but maybe not needed in the resolution

Dylan: Don't think the enrollment numbers are a back pocket argument, they're one of our main arguments. Students opposed to the resolution are likely to bring up costs, but including enrollment numbers shows that it is not that substantial of a cost for the University. The numbers aren't needed in this resolution, because amendments can be added on later.

Kendra: It may not be necessarily helpful to add numbers now unless cost is used to argue against the resolution. Can also look at the costs of Morris's tuition waiver from finance committee's data on Thursday.

Shelby: Seems like a good idea to have that in there, especially since it was mentioned that the University gained 10 million dollars.

Julia: Dylan and Julia will be meeting with Karen Diver next Wednesday.

Julia: Enrollment numbers were added in to also make the argument that all of those current students would miss out on the new tuition waiver program

Delaney A: Does the Twin Cities enrollment number include graduate students?

Julia: Yes

Cal: Should we clarify that those enrollment numbers include graduate students?

Julia: Yes, added it in

Shelby: Should I set up a meeting with Bryan to discuss how our Tuition Waiver impacts are finances?

Julia: Yes. We'll talk to Karen Diver about how finances will be affected as well.

a) [Letter](#) to President Gabel

Dylan: Dylan and Julia wrote a letter to president Gabel about the issue of calling the new Tuition Program an "expansion of the Morris Tuition Waiver". They do not want the new program to be referred to this way because it is not accurate.

b) November 17th - 19th Tabling ([sign-up](#))

Dylan: Will be tabling in the Student Center about the Tuition Waiver Resolution this Wednesday-Friday. Sign up on the link above.

c) Vote to Approve Resolution

Motion to approve the Resolution

- 1) Jade Allard
- 2) John Barber
- 3) Motion passes

Dylan: Resolution will be sent to Karen Diver and President Gabel Tomorrow Morning

2) Nomination and Selection of Membership Committee Member (1 member)

Julia: Turns out that people on Membership can not be on another committee. We need to find 1 more person who is not already on a campus assembly committee.

Dylan: Julia and Dylan invited other student leaders to join, but they are not here. A few did seemed interested.

IX. Announcements

Griz: The high school is doing the Sound of Music this week

Noelle: Dance Ensemble has shows this week.

Julia: First Year council meet with Julia to figure out when FYC will meet this week

Don't eat the sodexo chicken or bread (or much of the other food it sounds like)

Dylan: Add any other announcements in the announcements channel in discord

X. Adjournment