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Memo to: MCSA Forum Members
From: MCSA Executive Committee
Subject: Forum Agenda for Monday, August 29th, 2022.

The Forum will meet on Monday at 6:00 pm in Imholte 109 (Cow Palace) and on Zoom.

[Zoom link](#): Please mute yourself when not speaking or voting.

Zoom Passcode: Pounce22

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 6:10pm on August 29th

I. Approve Agenda

- 1) Kendra DeRosa
- 2) Gabby Holboy
- 3) This motion passes

II. President's Remarks [\(link\)](#) presented by President Young

Dylan Young: Here's what we did over the Summer. In April 2021, students voted in favor of making menstrual products available in all campus bathrooms, and as of this August that has been implemented. The MN State legislature has allocated grants to establish a Hunger Free Campus Grant Program, and \$8,000 dollars has been allocated to Morris to fight hunger on campus (thank you Vanessa Mora!). In Spring 2022, I asked Chancellor Schrunk Eriksen to formally support the formation of a Truth and Healing Reconciliation Committee in the US house, and now a resolution in support of that will be voted on in Campus Assembly. An accessibility audit was conducted and the suggestions the student services committee made were implemented. Student worker wage increased to \$15/hour in August 2022. In July 2021, CNIA called for Search the School. In July 2022, a preliminary search was conducted. In June 2022 MCSA wrote a letter to the Governor to support hiring a Native Regent and for consultation with Native students and tribal nations before hiring a new Regent. This was

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successful and Tadd Johnson was hired to the Board of Regents. This shows that our voices are strong, influential, and important.

III. [Welcome to MCSA Forum](#) *presented by President Young and Vice President Muzzy*

Noelle Muzzy: We're going to take some time to talk about how we hold discussions, what rules we follow, and that everyone's voices are respected.

General Rules We Should Follow in Forum:

Shelby Maloney: Let people finish their thoughts before the next person talks.

Gabby Holboy: Raising our hands and following parliamentary procedure.

Ally: Don't attack someone else and their opinion.

Dylan: Listen to whoever is talking, don't create side conversations.

Gabby: Active listening, don't think of your responses instead of listening to what other people are saying.

Noelle: Gave a quick overview of Robert's rules.

IV. Committee Reports

Noelle: The committees are Academic Affairs, Resources and Operations, Student Services, and Campus Relations. We also give updates on what each committee works on and we get Campus Assembly updates as well.

V. Organization Reports

Circle of Nations Indigenous Association (CNIA)

Noelle: During Org reports, representatives from different student orgs give updates.

Margot: CNIA's first meeting is Wednesday at 6pm in the NASS lounge. There will be Indian Tacos.

VI. Old Business

For Information

1. Letter on Chancellor Search
 - a. Executive Committee Letter
 - b. Response

Dylan: This summer, the executive committee sent a letter to Joan Gabel about the search for a new Morris Chancellor. Chancellor Behr retired in 2021, and our current Chancellor

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Erickson will be the Chancellor until the end of this year. We asked about the timeline of when the search will start. We were told it will begin in the beginning of the Fall.

VI. New Business

For Information

1) [Upcoming Events](#)

a) First Year Council Election

- i) Application Open Now! ([link](#))
- ii) Information Session, Thursday 6:00 PM Imholte 109
- iii) Application Close: September 11, 11:59 PM
- iv) Election Dates: September 12 - September 15

Noelle: All first years can apply to be on first year council! The applications close in two weeks on Sunday (not next Sunday, the one after that). After that, first years will vote for who they want to be on the council. Anyone who is in their first year at Morris can apply (transfer students, non traditional students, everyone!). The first year council meets with President Dylan Young and creates projects and initiatives while representing the 1st year class. One of the 1st year council members also gets to go to executive committee meetings. There's a town hall on Thursday September 1st where we will be talking about first year council and MCSA. There will be free pizza there!

Dylan: The Town Hall will be in the Humanities Lounge!

Events this Fall and Dates: Healing Ceremony 9/15, Sustainability Forum 12/2, Fall Retreat 9/23 (we're doing group MCSA photos, wear what makes you feel cool), Food Odyssey, Orange Shirt Day 9/30, Town Hall #2 11/8, Boarding School Teach in, DEI training 10/10

b) [Tabling](#)

Sign up for tabling!

2) Membership Changes & Vacancies

For Action

1) Approval of Secretaries

- a) Academic Affairs: Kianna Big Crow
- b) Student Services: Jay Allard

Noelle: The Secretaries of Student Services and Academic Affairs resigned, so we now have open campus assembly positions. We'll be nominating at large reps once the first year council is elected.

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Motion to approve secretaries as a slate

- 1) Gabby Holboy
- 2) Kenda DeRosa

Gabby: Great candidates

This motion passes

IX. Announcements

Gabby: Auditions for Romeo and Juliet are coming up. Menighens is doing a workshop tomorrow at 5pm with snacks to practice for auditions. If you're interested in planning Yule ball let me know, we'll partner with MOQSIE to fundraise for LGBTQ+ students here.

Hal: KUMM staff meeting is happening 5pm here. There's pizza and you have to come to the meeting if you want to DJ.

First cheer meeting is 7pm today and home opener is Saturday.

Captain: SDS is having our first meeting right after KUMM at 7:45pm in the Mocassin Flower room (bottom of student center). We'll be discussing initiatives for the year.

liz: The Public Safety Advisory committee meeting is tomorrow. If you're interested email liz. We're going to do at least 2 public events increasing communication and transparency.

Maya: AISES (American Indian Science and Engineering Society) is meeting on Tug Lake 5-6pm this Thursday. There will be Pizza.

Bri: Welcome new students!! If you want to get MCSA emails please send an email to ummmcsa@morris.umn.edu!

X. Adjournment

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