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Memo to: MCSA Forum Members

From: MCSA Executive Committee

Subject: Forum Agenda for Monday, October 3rd, 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, <u>all</u> are encouraged to participate in discussions. Click <u>here</u> to check your voting eligibility in the Forum.

MCSA core documents like the Constitution, Bylaws, and guide to Robert's Rules can be found <u>here</u>.

I. Approve Agenda

- 1) Gabby Holboy
- 2) Daleney Teske
- 3) This motion passes
- II. Approve Minutes: 9 26 22
 - 1) Dylan Young
 - 2) Gabby Holboy
 - 3) This motion passes

III. President's Remarks presented by President Young

a. Campus Assembly committee assignments (link)

Dylan: Here is the list of everyone's campus assembly committees. Not many changes since last April, there were a few people switched into different committees

IV. Old Business

- a. Vacancies
 - i. UMN Senator

Noelle: We're taking nominations to fill the UMN senator position since Henry Hauser is now the SSC rep

Motion to table this discussion until next week

- 1) Dylan Young
- 2) Gabby Holboy
 - ii. Membership Committee

Dylan: This position has to be a campus assembly rep.

Noelle: There are 3 open positions

Nominate Muthu Meenakshisundaram

- 1) Dylan Young
- 2) Gabby Holboy
- 3) This motion passes

This discussion is tabled for the next meeting

- b. Retreat Monday, October 10, 6:00 PM 7:30 PM
 - i. It will be a potluck! Sign-up with food you're bringing <u>here</u>
 - ii. Bring whatever you want to eat, let us know about dietary restrictions so we can accommodate them

Noelle: You can sign up to bring food and add your allergies to the top (also add if it's severe so that we know if we shouldn't bring certain foods). Avoid bringing foods that have the severe food allergies, and if you can't bring food or need funds to get food or a place to cook food come talk to me or Dylan.

c. Vote on Truth and Healing Commission Resolution

Noelle: The group is pushing for the US government to create a commission to investigate the impacts and the traumas that have happened because of boarding schools. It includes search the school investigations, looking through old records, investigating the physical and mental impacts boarding schools had on children, and the impact boarding schools has had on future generations. Dylan: Campus assembly is also voting on a similar resolution right now. At the end of this resolution we encourage campus assembly to pass that similar resolution.

Motion to Pass the Resolution on Truth and Healing Commission

1) Dylan Young

- 2) Cameron Berthiaume
- 3) This motion passes

Noelle: I think we are the first non tribal college student government to pass this resolution.

V. New Business

- a. Voter Registration Sign-Up presented by Representative Maloney
 - i. Link to Sign-Up

Shelby: Political Science Club and Pi Sigma Alpha are tabling and giving out information abotu voting. We'll advertise for the Major and the City Council discussions that MCSA will be hosting at the legion. We'll have free t-shirts, buttons, and cookies. I'm hoping to we'll get people excited about voting and have them register to vote. We're looking for people to sit at the table and give people information. You don't need to be an expert, we'll have the information at the table. Everyone that works will get a \$5 highies giftcard.

Noelle: You can also look up information on the secretary of state's website.

Gabby: Campus relations committee members sign up for this!

Shelby: We also might use the prize wheel from the welcome center.

- b. Volunteers needed to help with Alumni Banquet catering (Friday, October 7th)
 - i. Link to Sign-Up

Noelle: We help Sodexo serve food during homecoming (4-9pm) and then they cover some of our food at Prairie Gala.

c. Discussion of <u>Resolution on Physical Campus Spaces Recognizing Indian</u>
Boarding School History and Current Day Native Students

Kianna: I wrote this resolution for a physical space on campus that teaches about the history of the boarding school that was here. It talks about the history of campus, how the display case near the TMC hasn't been updated since the 1980s, and we want to indigenize campus. We're calling on the university to organize a subcommittee and start a mural by this next March, and to get the display case done by the end of this year. We also are calling on the University to include Native Students in this process. We want to build resources to teach people history. We're still brainstorming ways to do that as well.

Dylan: The history of this campus is rooted in Native People, and the current campus is 27% Native Students, but this isn't reflected in the visual and physical spaces on campus.

Henry: Were we able to talk to anyone in studio arts?

Kianna: We haven't reached out yet, we're starting focus groups this week. We'll get this done either way.

Gabby: In 2021 we talked about putting a mural in the TMC (just a general mural), so I think doing this mural will work.

Kianna: We're starting focus groups next week to talk to Native students about how they think we can indigenize campus and what their perspectives are.

Shelby: This resolution is saying that we support this effort and this is what we're working on, and then the committee is going to figure out the details.

liz: Ways of doing are also a way of doing things. You can also make a different kind of change and indeginize by changing how professors teach. There have been people taking pictures by the sign by the MRC, I want to add a sign about current Native students and scholars there. I asked about the case and Becca Gerken is connected to it. by the TMC EDI is also in favor of updating the case. Is there anything in the resolution of who should pay for the mural? This is something you can think about, administration will ask about this.

Dylan: We're going to run the resolution by CNIA, Gabe DeRo???, Kevin Whalen, Becca Gerken, Mark Collier, NASS Staff, Steven Gross, Studio arts professors and students, and the Office of Student Activities. OSA is in support of the resolution and the chancellor supports it as well.

d. Committee Updates

Campus Assembly Committees

- i. Steering
- ii. Consultative
- iii. Curriculum
- iv. Equity and Diversity
- v. Finance
- vi. Planning
- vii. Scholastic
- viii. Student Affairs
- ix. Membership

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x. Resources and Operations

Daleney: We're going to be looking for feedback on the resolution, then we'll be working on focus groups.

xi. Academic Affairs

Kianna: We'll be writing a resolution to hire a Dakota language professor.

- xii. Campus Relations
- xiii. Student Services

Jay: We're going to meet here. I had a meeting with Kari about food insecurity stuff, and we're going to keep working on the student worker survey.

VI. Organizational Reports

- a. Circle of Nations Indigenous Association (CNIA)
- b. Morris Queer Student Initiative for Equality (MoQSIE)

VII. Announcements

- a. Food Rescue Program Student Coordinator Position Sodexo
 - i. Interest Form

Noelle: Sodexo is looking a student coordinator to run the food rescue program,

Cameron: 7:45pm tomorrow night Mitchell Handcock will be talking about how to organize. There will be snacks.

Dylan: I'm going to work on a resolution about implementing a legal service fee. Twin cities students each pay \$17 as a legal fee and then are able to consult with legal services. I think that would be helpful because students face mistratement in the work place. I'm also working on a resolution about the health service fee. We pretty much pay the same health service fee as teh twin cities students, but they have 3 clinics.

Gabby: I finished what I want to add to my Narcan resolution. Let me know if you want to help out. I will put the document in the shared drive.