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MCSA Forum minutes 04/17/2023

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Memo to: Members of MCSA Forum
From: MCSA Executive Committee
Subject: MCSA Forum Meeting 04.17.23

Join in Cow Palace at 6PM or on Zoom ([Zoom](#) passcode: Pounce22), please mute when not speaking or voting. All students are welcome and can join in discussion, but only voting members can make motions and vote. List of voting members can be found [here](#).

Meeting called to order at 6:08

Vote to Approve Agenda and Previous Minutes

A. [Minutes Link](#)

Motion- Gabby Holboy

Second- Hal johnson

Passed unanimously

Presidents Remarks

Gabby Holboy briefly remarked about the MCSA appointed application and encouraged participation.

Old Business

New Business

Student Leadership Survey ([link](#))

B. Description: For anyone that held a leadership position this past academic year.

Forum Paused briefly to take this survey for student activities

Committee Preference Survey ([Link](#))

C. Description: Ranking Forum committee preferences and Campus Assembly committee preferences.

Forum paused briefly to complete this form.

Vote to Approve Secretary Nominations

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- D. Description: Vote to approve Academic Affairs Secretary: Bella Sieling, Campus Relations Secretary: Bethanie Belisle, External Affairs Secretary: Paisley Sierra, Resources and Operations Secretary: Henry Hauser, and Student Services Secretary: Alija Wosti.

Motion to approve the secretaries.

Motion-Captain B.

Second-

Each of the secretaries elect briefly introduced themselves.

All of the secretaries were approved by forum

TRUTH Report Presentation ([link](#))

- E. Description: A report on the findings of the relationship and history between the University of Minnesota and tribal nations.

Dylan Young presented before forum to discuss the truth report. Dylan's presentation was made to inform and encourage MCSA to pass a resolution in support of the recommendations made by the TRUTH Report. Dylan went on to discuss the work that TRUTH project has done and the three guiding questions;

How might this institution serve as a site of healing rather than harm?
How do we redress the inequities created through genocide and repression of Indigenous people and culture? How do we repair where settler occupation has erased native lives, culture, and histories by exploiting native lands and resources while displacing Indigenous people?

The report found that the institutional harm has been committed by the University of Minnesota. The primary harms that were proven were genocide, forced removal, land expropriation, wealth transfer and accumulation, revisionist history, and indigenous erasure.

The following recommendations were made; land back, reparations in perpetuity, diverting PUF streams, representation, Commitment to Education as Individual and Tribal Self-Determination, Enact Policies that Respect Tribal Sovereignty and Cultural Heritage, Sites for Future Research, and Meet Trust Obligations.

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Dylan recommends that MCSA respect for tribal autonomy and UMN-Tribal collaboration. Dylan reminded us that we have the largest Native American student population in the UMN system. Dylan also discussed how in recent history, MCSA has been a leader within the UMN system on issues involving Native students and tribal nations and how we and the University has an opportunity to transform into an institution of healing.

Visit this site for more information. sites.google.com/view/truthproject/about

Organization Reports

Committee Reports

Consultative committee will be giving some of their coursework to Steering Committee.

Announcements

F. Officer Applications ([Link](#))

G. Ramadan Feast

1. Apr 21, 2023 @8PM

Liz discussed the feast that will be held this friday

Adjourned meeting at 6:50pm