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**Memo to:** Members of MCSA Forum  
**From:** MCSA Executive Committee  
**Subject:** MCSA Forum Meeting 08.26.24

***Join in the TMC at 6PM All students and faculty are welcome and can join in discussion, but only voting members can make motions and vote. List of voting members can be found [here](#).***

- I. **Vote to Approve Agenda:**
  - A. Vice President Harteneck called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm. Secretary Selig mentioned moving to approve the agenda, and member Varney voted to second it. The agenda passed with no issues.
- II. **President remarks:**
  - A. President Tollefsrud gave brief remarks welcoming everyone to MCSA and an overview of the agenda.
- III. **Old Business:**
  - A. Skipped the first meeting of the school year.
- IV. **New Business**
  - A. [What is MCSA?/What is a Forum?](#)
    1. MCSA is the Morris Campus Student Association(The Morris Student Government)
    2. MCSA is open to everyone! We have several positions available.
    3. Brief overviews of the positions available: See the link to the presentation for more details.
    4. A brief overview of all of the committees and what the committees do: See the link to the presentation for more details
    5. What is a forum? The forum occurs every Monday that we have school. It is a different agenda every night. Other things are discussed at these meetings. The forum is open to everyone. Not everyone can vote, but all students are welcome. Committee meetings typically follow the meeting.
  - B. Position vacancies
    1. Executive Assistant ([Apply Here](#))
      - a) The executive assistant will attend all meetings. Must also attend executive committee meetings. Takes minutes and attendance during meetings. Sends out all meeting minutes to committees prior to the start of the next meetings. Assist

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the president with other projects. Not a voting member of the executive committee.

- b) Two questions from President Tollesfrud: What are minutes? Minutes are notes that are taken during the meeting. Where can we find the agenda? The agenda is sent out to students via email. They are also in the shared drive.
- c) Campus Assembly Representatives Vacancies (11)
  - (1) Presents on Roberts's rules of order at the MCSA retreat. Serves as an advisor on forum procedure. They are not a voting member of the forum.
- d) Serve as a forum member, attend all meetings, and sit on at least one campus assembly or adjunct committee. Report to the forum on the proceeding of their assigned standing committee. In order to serve in this position, you need to be nominated, and the forum will vote on the nomination.
- e) First Year Council Representatives(4)

2. Parliamentarian

3. Sustainability Officers (2) ([Apply Here](#))

- a) Coordinates and communicates with student organizations to promote sustainability. Works with the office of sustainability. Monitors the quality of sustainability measures on campus. You can make this position your own if this interests you and you want to work with sustainability.

4. Student Representative to the Board of Regents ([Apply Here](#))

- a) The student representative between Morris and the board of regents. Attends board of regents meetings. Reports to the forum at the board of regents meetings. Reports efforts and findings to the forum.

5. Minnesota Student Legislative Coalition Representatives ([Apply Here](#))

- a) Has the responsibility of reporting to the MSLC. Organizes the annual support of the U day in the spring. Encouraged to make at least one trip to the Minnesota legislature per month while in session. Shall sit on the All University Committee. Takes on projects as directed by the Executive committee or the forum.

C. Goals for the year

- 1. Increase MCSA membership and involvement

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2. Collab with student organizations
  3. Promote Get Out and Vote initiatives
- D. Questions: Elaina Varney: What committee will be working the most with getting out the vote? Campus relations
- E. Questions: Guadalupe Dimayuga: How can we promote MCSA? We are working on getting the social media up. Getting an email out to all students every week is also in the works.
- F. Questions: Nona Harrison: Does MCSA want to be involved with UR? This may be something that will be discussed at the next meeting.
- G. Questions: Shai Olsen: Does MCSA want to host a voting event with MQSIE? This is something that will be added to the agenda.
- H. Questions: Elyjah Huebsch: CAs are interested in hosting a voting event. How can MCSA help? MCSA is interested; this is something that will be added to the agenda for next week.
- I. Questions: Jesse Kennedy: CAs can help, but they were not trained in on anything regarding out-of-state voting?
- J. Questions: Cole Slesip: Representative Anderson is up for election and is a Morris alumnus. Is it possible to get him out on campus maybe for a talk or to host a debate?
- K. Questions: Henry Hietpas: With an election year happening, can we get consistent messaging across campus organizations for voting?
- L. Comments: Zoe Fieberg likes the idea of consistent campus messaging. Wants smaller events that are more engaging and more personal.
- V. **Organization Reports:**
- A. Josie Barber: MQSIE is still working on when they are going to be holding meetings and also figuring out what they are doing for larger events/smaller events. The KUMM lineup for the Homecoming concert is finalized, and posters will be out soon. First staff meeting is tomorrow at 6:00 pm in Cow Palace.
- B. Nona Harrison: The first info meeting was held last week. Great turnout! Brainstorming session tomorrow. The new website is now available.
- C. Alwin Lor: The Asian Student Association is meeting 6-7 pm in the MRC lounges on Wednesday. The first meeting will be a toothpick and marshmallow-building competition.
- D. Emily Frost: Meninigns is combining with improv and is working on getting social media back up. Improve club is late Thursday nights, and theatre days are on Fridays.
- E. Guadalupe Dimyague: Men volleyball is playing Volleyball on Sundays

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- F. Mock Trial: Needs more members. They need people who are in the speechie realm. You have a court case assigned once a year to work on this fake case, and you are judged on this ability to argue/act out the mock trial.
- G. Mat: CNIA has the first meeting this week on Friday. It is a very casual meeting to see what people are interested in. Cheer also has a meeting this week. They will be learning basic moves.
- H. Connor Kuhn: The Philosophy Club is having a student-driven debate on Saturday in the TMC. Students need to attend in order to make this event function.
- I. Chad: The American Indigenous Business Club is starting. They are still trying to find a time to meet. If interested, reach out to Kenyon.

VI. **Committee Reports:**

- A. No Committee Reports

VII. **Announcements**

- A. [Join MCSA on Campus Groups](#)
- B. What's up Wednesday- Homecoming week
  - 1. MCSA is hosting this during homecoming week.
- C. President Tollefsrud: In the future, we will have more time for collaboration; this was a lot of information. Please give Skylar a round of applause.

VIII. **Adjournment**

President Tollefsrud: Motions to adjourn

The meeting adjourns at 7:00 pm

**Committee time did not follow the forum as the time went over**

*Committee time will be following the forum*