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Memo to: Members of MCSA Forum
From: MCSA Executive Committee
Subject: MCSA Forum Meeting 09.23.24

Join in Turtle Mountain Cafe at 6PM 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](#).

I. Vote to Approve Agenda

Vice President Harteneck asked for a motion to approve agenda

Tollefsrud
Huebsch

II. Vote to Approve [Minutes](#)

Motion to approve minutes

Selig
Varney

III. Presidents remarks

President Tollefsrud: "I'm supposed to give you guys wisdom or something like that. So I wanted to remind you all that if you have schoolwork that you need to prioritize, make sure to do that. We have nice weather, and crunchy leaves, take care of yourselves."

IV. Old Business

A. Position vacancies

1. Campus Assembly Representatives (non-first year) Vacancies (2)
2. Parliamentarian

Skylar: We are really trying to fill the parliamentarian role, this is who takes over for me if I am sick. Any questions about the parliamentarian or CAR?

Chitwood: I nominate Vae for campus assembly rep.

Motion to elect Vae as CAR. Passes unanimously

Vae is now the new Campus Assembly Rep

Hietpas: I have a question from a concerned member of MCSA; can you be first-year rep and parliamentarian at the same time?

Harteneck: Yes, technically. Are there any nominations for this role?

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Hietpas: Yes, I nominate Landon Shaw as parliamentarian.

Harteneck: Is there any discussion on this nomination?

Huebsch: Why would you make a good parliamentarian?

Shaw: "I think I would be great. I want it, so bad." "I want to be able to do more than what I'm doing right now."

Lafferty: I think that I would also like to run for parliamentarian. Can somebody nominate me?

Harteneck: You can nominate yourself as has been done in the past.

Huebsch: I nominate Kiera Lafferty for parliamentarian.

Lafferty: I think I deserve to be a parliamentarian because of all of my prior experience in student government.

Shaw: I recant my nomination.

Maher: Why did Kiera nominate herself right after Landon?

(Discussion about parliamentarian role and nomination conflict)

Shaw: What is it that parliamentarian does again?

Harteneck: The parliamentarian is appointed by the form, they do not have voting rights, and they have to attend our executive meetings. Is there any discussion on the parliamentarian nomination?

Lafferty: I am quite busy, so I don't know if I would be able to manage the time commitment.

Harteneck: Would you two like to discuss this role with Riley and I after the meeting so we can give you guys more information?

Lafferty and Shaw agree. Shaw is still interested

Harteneck: We will meet with both of you eventually, and have an answer for both of you guys next forum.

Harteneck: P.s, Please don't edit the official MCSA documents. Only President Riley, Vice President Myself and Executive Assistant Shai have permission to edit these documents, they are used in official meetings.

Harteneck: Any more discussion on the parliamentarian role?

No further discussion

V. **New Business**

A. Intergroup Dialogue participants needed!

Harteneck: If you are interested in talking about your political identity with other people, please talk with Riley and I after forum and we will see what we can do to get you in this dialogue.

B. Sept. 26th open house in Oyate

1. UMM Climate action planning even

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Hietpas: This is an event where all of the colleges in Minnesota join in on a climate action plan. This is an open house where participants can submit their ideas to the people running the event.

Hietpas: Every year MCSA has a sustainability forum, so they bring in speakers within the environmental field to give speeches on their different fields, along with a panel, and a social event afterward to talk with speakers. I have lots of fun things planned for this event this year, I've been able to bring in Copal, a Latino organization that does sustainability work. They have a recent initiative focusing on community engagement in voting, which aligns with MCSA's goals for this year. I'm working on getting catering done for this event as well.

Harteneck: Any questions?

Lafferty: Is the sustainability forum run through MCSA?

Hietpas: This committee is run through MCSA, and I'm trying to get La Union Latinx in on this event to help.

Hietpas: You can email me with any more questions about the sustainability forum. (Hietpas writes his email on the board: hietp046@morris.umn.edu)

C. First Year Council Election

Harteneck: Elaina Verney has been fully trained to be our election commissioner, meaning we can move forward with our election initiatives for this year. We're thinking about tabling events that we could do to promote university voting initiatives for this year.

Selig: We could do a "morris takeover" style event.

Varney: I'm getting the form and stuff filled out, in the next two weeks we will get that sent out to the first years.

Harteneck: Any other questions?

VI. **Organization Reports**

ASA: Hosting a Poke bowl and trivia night this Wednesday at 7:00pm in the TMC. There will be teams of four.

Harrison: What kind of trivia will there be?

AI: "Generally Asian."

UR: We have our latest issue out, albeit a day late.

MoQSIE: We're having a But I'm a Cheerleader Event this Thursday where we watch the film and then interview one of the actors from the film after. Thursday at 7:00pm in Louie's Lower Level.

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Poli-Sci: *(I didn't catch what the rep for poli-sci said. If any other org reports are missing here please don't be afraid to let myself, Riley or Skylar know :)*

VII. **Committee Reports**

External Affairs: We went to the community fun night at east side park. We met retirees from the community, the ex-mayor of Morris, someone on the civic service committee, and someone from town hall. We also know who to contact in case we want to order a parade float.

Shaw: We also realized we need to make a facebook account for more community outreach.

Campus relations: Working on finalizing an MCSA social event.

Academic affairs, resources, operations: Resolutions about information given about Courseworks, doing more research on what people's problems with Courseworks were.

VIII. **Announcements**

A. [Join MCSA on Campus Groups](#)

B. Campus assembly meetings

1. September 24th at 11:40am - *Science Auditorium*

Dimayuga: Who has to go to this meeting?

Harteneck: Every committee in MCSA has to attend this meeting. Essentially everybody who is a voting member of the forum.

Harteneck: P.s: The forum attendance sheet lists whether or not you are a voting member. Any other questions about voting membership?

Harteneck: If you can't be a voting member this year, you should let Riley and I know that so we can remove you as a voting member from the forum. I also wanted to clarify that we vote to approve minutes in case any forum members see issues with the previous voting minutes.

2. Zoom link will be sent out beforehand if you do not already have it

C. [MCSA Instagram](#)

D.

IX. **Adjournment**

Harteneck: Motion to adjourn the meeting?

Huebsch: Motion to adjourn

Committee time will be following the forum