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**Memo to:** MCSA Forum Members  
**From:** MCSA Executive Committee  
**Subject:** Forum Agenda for Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup>

The Forum will meet on Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm in Imholte 109.

**I. Roll Call**

a. Vice President Schroder called meeting to order at 6:01pm; Executive Secretary Montbriand called roll.

b. Representatives Stangel, Barnett, Arnold, Kroska, Zapchenk, were absent.

**II. Open Forum**

**a. Greenhouse Task Force *Presented by Kristian Nyberg, Katie Ledermann and Martin Zais***

i. Kristian Nyberg presented a proposal for a winter greenhouse project; a winter greenhouse is a way the Morris students can grow fresh fruit and vegetables throughout the year in a cost effective manner; produce can be provided to students and dining services; St. Bens has a winter greenhouse built; plans have been developed to work on this greenhouse over the next few years.

ii. Main goal of winter greenhouse is to provide food for campus, educational gardening and engaging students in the sustainability in food while networking with friends.

iii. The ultimate goal of the winter greenhouse is to build on one the Morris campus. They would need system in place and money; next year organic garden club takeover project; looking for funding through sodexo, student funded positions through the office of sustainability, additional grants, money from the green reinvestment fund, money from tech fee, fall 2014 they will come back to write a resolution for student support to show student obyd interest

1. Questions: President Wolf- When is the

next upcoming event to learn about this? Answer: Senior Seminar by Kristian Nyberg- contact him for more information.

**b. *Zimride Advertising Presented by Sam Fettig***

*i.* At tech fee this year, MCSA approved renewal of zimride license; student concerns were presented about advertising and it's effectiveness and popularity; Sam Fettig was asked to come talk to MCSA forum about advertising orders are going to be put in for promotional materials.

1. Advisor Blodgett suggested that posters should be rotated during the year so they don't become a blur to passing students; Recommended Sam Fettig to work with external relations for poster designing.

2. Representative Koester noted that mailbox campaigns are ineffective because they are thrown away; Representative Koester suggested that advertising should get in people's hands without the use of a mailbox.

3. Representative Wealot noted that a lot of students have a misperception of zimride and more information on zimride students can break the stereotype of "riding with a stranger"; Representative Wealot suggested that student testimonies about their use of zimride could help with breaking the "riding with a stranger" stereotype.

4. Representative Wentz asked how freshman are being informed about zimride; suggested that advertising should show pros and cons and show economic tradeoff of using Zimride as well as showing data of success rates; Suggested that we have a screen with rides in the Student Center, similar to ones used in bus terminals.

5. Representative Prince said that its overwhelming at the beginning of the year to go through packets, and

intake all the information; also was noted that advertising should be aimed upperclassmen and nontraditional students too, so they can re-learn or learn to use zimride.

6. Representative Schliep noted that majority of the students that go home for the weekend are freshman and don't know how the system works; floor programs telling freshman how to use it and show them how to use it would be beneficial to the increased popularity and use of zimride.

7. President Wolf noted that advertising in the UR would be effective.

8. Representative Swanson said that it should be emphasized that zimride can take students to more places than the bus, is cheaper than the bus, and make the advertising more personable and applicable to individuals.

9. Representative Jacobson noted that existing screens in Student Center should be used for zimride screens; misconceptions hurt the program and because students are not informed or misinformed; informational meetings or forums could be held, with the bonus of food to attract body count.

10. Representative Sunderman noted that zimride goes other places zimride doesn't and that it should be advertised where zimride can take students.

11. Representative Riley noted that publicity such as the screens in the Student Center that refreshes each day would inform people more resulting in more use of zimride.

- ii. After the suggestions have been considered by Sam Fettig, he will re-visit forum to notify the members of progress. Contact him with any questions or concerns.

### **III. For Action: Approve Agenda**

a. Representative Dial motioned to approve the agenda; second by Representative Jacobson.

b. Motion carried.

**IV. For Action: Approve Minutes**

a. Representative Dial motioned to approve the minutes; second by Representative Prince.

b. Motion carried.

**V. President's Remarks**

a. President Wolf welcomed forum members back; noted that we had a busy weekend full of campus activities that were successful; C

b. President wolf noted that Campus assembly will be happening next tuesday in science auditorium; they will be looking at gender neutral housing and approving it, discussing leadership gpa policy, and big student issues.

c. President Wolf noted that Executive Committee members need to stay a few minutes after forum to discuss things for Thursday.

d. President Wolf noted that if any representative's name was not called during roll, contact her or Executive Secretary Montbriand.

e. President Wolf reminded forum members that this upcoming week is earth week and pride week, open mic, dance ensemble, teacher of the year, student leadership banquet, as well as to stay persistent on schoolwork.

**VI. Committee Reports**

a. Representative Jacobson noted that student affairs met today to talk about the next steps for gender neutral housing and going to Campus Assembly; talked about actions for gpa requirements for student leaders and will go to for information for campus assembly (2.25) be voted on early next semester.

**VII. Organization Reports**

a. Representative Koester informed the forum members of Pride Week and its events. Pride week will be kicked off on Monday April 21st, 2014. For additional information, Representative Koester requested you contact her, or refer to

the posters around campus.

i. Monday April 21st, 2014: E-quality is sponsoring Open Mic Night @ TMC at 8:00pm. There is no cost to attend.

ii. Tuesday April 22nd, 2014: Ice Cream Social @ The Mall at 7:00pm. If the weather does not permit, the Ice Cream Social will be held in Louis Lower Level. There is no cost to attend.

iii. Wednesday April 23rd, 2014: Queer History Presentation @ Imholte 112 at 7:00pm. There is no cost to attend.

iv. Thursday April 24th, 2014: Transgender Rights and Community Presentation @ Science 1020 at 7:00pm.

v. Friday April 25th, 2014: Capital A Presentation @ Imholte 111 at 7:00pm. There is no cost to attend.

b. Representative Sundermann reported that STLF chose their new bus core to lead pay it forward tour next year.

#### **VIII. Old Business**

a. None presented.

#### **IX. New Business**

##### **a. For Information:**

##### **i. MCSA Introductions *Presented by President Wolf***

1. President Wolf asked everybody to introduce self with name, grade next year, position(s) held, and favorite thing about morris; went through forum members individually.

##### **ii. MCSA Committee Preferences *Presented by President Wolf***

1. President Wolf informed forum members that they will be serving on MCSA sub-committee; there are 4 committees; forum members will be asked rank top 4 choices, and placements will be sent out next week.

a. Representative Dial presented student services; Representative Dial stated the goals

of SS such as to bury the gpa policy, fight the tobacco policy, modify sexual assault pamphlet- making gender friendly, making moodle way for professors to let you know how you are doing, and having composting for catering events.

b. Representative Koester presented campus relations; Representative Koester stated the goals of CR such as to manage relationships, work with cougar pawstivity, increase publicity, tabling, talking to people, conversational jobs, long term projects, work with one stop, administrative issues, student issues. Please contact her if you would like additional information.

c. Representative Sunderman presented academic affairs; she stated that goals of AA such as working on academic resources, reaching out to freshman, how to read your APAS, reps assigned to each residence hall about APAS, resources for life after senior year, revamping the founders scholar forum (about the importance of liberal arts and how it is in our curriculum) and making it student friendly, and moving to more of an online curriculum.

d. Representative Wealot presented resources and operations; Representative Wealot states goals of the R&O such as coordinating tech fee, organizing two pizza ranch fundraisers, pushing composting and expanding, educational composting off-campus, improving food on campus, making dining hall more family friendly, and providing computers for papercut printers in residence halls.

### **iii. Chinese Language Offering Presented by Secretary Sunderman**

1. There is a new course offering; Chinese language can be taught next year and the class is already half full, 2

candidates are sent to the campus for teaching Chinese, as well as economics and art. There are office plans in the future for this new discipline; there are hopes this class will help with retention of international students.

**iv. MCSA End of the Year Gathering *Presented by Advisor Blodgett***

1. Advisor Blodgett reminded forum members that on Saturday May 3rd, there will be an end-of-the-year party at her house; forum members agreed on grilling main entrees. Advisor Blodgett also noted there are vegetarian and gluten free options as well.

**X. Announcements**

**a. Executive Secretary Contact Information *Presented by Executive Secretary Montbriand***

i. Executive Secretary Montbriand informed forum members that an email will be sent out after tonight's forum with her contact information, so members can communicate attendance concerns and other relative questions to her.

**XI. Adjourn**

- a. Representative Koester motioned to adjourn ; second by Representative Haile
- b. Motion carried; adjourn at 6:47pm.



I. Roll Call

- a. Vice President Schroeder called meeting to order at 6:01; Montbriand called roll.
- b. Representatives Prince, Zapchenk, and Swanson were absent.

II. Open Forum

- a. Asian Language Discussion Presented by Monica Rin
  - i. Monica Rin was not present, and Asian Language Discussion was not presented.
- b. Walk a Mile Presentation Presented by Jayce Koester
  - i. Representative Koester presented information for the “Walk A Mile In Her Shoes” walk hosted by Someplace Safe on Tuesday April 15th, 2014. There is an 11:30 registration time, where the participants have the option of wearing a pair of heels and walking. The walk will start at 12:00pm, at the Someplace Safe Thrift Store. There is no transit provided to students; transportation is up to individual who wishes to attend. Koester noted there is a pledge form at the walk to donate to Someplace Safe; pledges are encouraged for store cost, charity, as well as advocacy work.
- c. For Information: Robert’s Rules Presented by Vice President Schroeder
  - i. Vice President Schroeder introduced the members of forum to Robert’s Rules; Vice President Schroeder passed around an information sheet about Robert’s Rules for new forum members. Vice President Schroeder displayed a document presenting different points of Robert’s Rules such as point of privilege, point of information, point of order, point of clarification, point of parliamentary inquiry, and move to previous question. Vice President Schroeder encouraged all members to present questions about Robert’s Rules as well as to take a sheet as an ongoing guide and reminder of the rules.

III. For Action: Approve Agenda

- a. Representative Dial motioned to approve the minutes; second by Representative Koester.
- b. Motion carried.

IV. For Action: Approve Minutes

- a. Dial motioned to approve the minutes; second by Koester.
- b. Motion carried.

## V. President's Remarks

- a. President Wolf thanked all members of forum for attending the first forum and proclaimed that she is excited to work with the talented new members; thanked Sunderman for her work on last forum's minutes, as well as thanking Montbriand for the new name tags.
- b. President Wolf introduced the new format of the agenda for forum and expressed her opinions on the need for the new format of the agenda; President Wolf proclaimed that this forum's agenda format is a "test run" to see how it succeeds.
- c. President Wolf reminded Campus Assembly members about checking their campus email for information about chair assignments and committees during the summer; old representatives are to stay in their term until the end of this school year and encourages any new representatives to attend to Campus Assembly to become familiar with the meetings.
- d. President Wolf reminded forum members to check their campus email to approve their invite to become a part of the MCSA Campus Connections page.

## VI. Committee Reports

- a. President Wolf stated Student Affairs did not meet today but instead will meet next week to continue ongoing discussions about, gpa and student employment workforce.
- b. Election Commissioner Daniewicz stated that on Thursday morning the consultative committee will be discussing dean's search committee.

## VII. Organization Reports

- a. Representative Barnett informed the forum members of the Equality drag show this Friday April 18th, 2014 at 8:30pm. Tickets are \$5.00 for students. Forum representatives will be participating in the show.
- b. Representative Koester informed the forum members of Pride Week and its events, which have no cost to attend.
  - i. Monday April 21st, 2014: Equality is sponsoring Open Mic Night @ TMC at 8:00pm.
  - ii. Tuesday April 22nd, 2014: Ice Cream Social @ The Mall at 7:00pm. If the weather does not permit, the Ice Cream Social will be held in Louis Lower Level.
  - iii. Wednesday April 23rd, 2014: Queer History Presentation @ Imholte 112 at

7:00pm.

iv. Thursday April 24th, 2014: Transgender Rights and Community Presentation @ Science 1020 at 7:00pm.

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c. Representative Sundermann reported that next Monday April 21st @ Imholte 109, EMSP will be hosting teacher of the year Megan Hall to share about education and its meaning.

#### VIII. Old Business

a. Vice President Schroeder explained what the purpose of “old business” is in the forum agenda; to bring up topics from previous week, to discuss topics that were not mentioned at the previous forum, and topics that need a vote.

b. There was no old business brought forth.

#### IX. New Business

a. For Action:

i. Earth Week Committee Co Sponsorship Request Presented by Heidi Eger

1. Motion brought forth by Wentz to hear request; second by Dial.

3. Heidi Eger informed forum members of Earth Week, occurring April 21st, 2014 to April 25th, 2014. They are requesting \$78.47 for their Earth Week Funding. Eger noted that they already have \$200.00 in funds.

4. Eger outlined Earth week events such as student funfair, poetry reading, and sustainability square dance. Eger proclaimed the purpose of Earth Week is to raise awareness and education about sustainability as well as encouraging community involvement.

5. President Wolf requested a current budget update from Budget Manager Bobby Miller; current MCSA budget is \$1785.83 without the ~\$2300.00 reimbursement from Support The U Day bussing.

6. Wentz motioned to grant fund request; second by Dial.

7. Motion Carried.

ii. Elect Election Commissioner Presented by Wolf

1. Koester motioned to open nominations; Second by Dial.

2. President Wolf requested that Election Commissioner Daniewicz help newly elected commissioner, and explain the duties of the position.

3. Election Commissioner Daniewicz listed the duties as running elections for first year representatives, running minor elections in Forum, running major elections, running campus wide elections.

4. President Wolf suggests that seniors of the 20142015 school year run for Election Commissioner, due to tradition, sake of neutrality, experience, and rigour of information.

5. Sunderman nominates Arnold; Arnold accepts.

a. Arnold introduces himself as senior, and explains that he has been in Election Commission the past two years and is familiar with many of the bylaws of elections, has proper experience, and asks forum members to consider voting for him.

6. Johnson nominates self; Johnson accepts.

a. Johnson introduces self; proclaimed he wishes to give Arnold competition and encourages forum to make a wise voting decision.

7. Election Commissioner Daniewicz states that even if there is no competition in elections, it is not an automatic win. Representative Daniewicz passes out ballots.

8. President Wolf motions to suspend rules; second by Dial.

9. Representative Arnold is elected as Election Commissioner.

10. Motion Carried.

iii. Elect Parliamentarian Presented by Wolf

1. Motion to elect parliamentarian

a. Vice President Schroeder noted that the main duties of the parliamentarian are to keep track of how we run on the bylaws and constitution, keeps tracks of roberts rules, keep order of forum, keeps Vice President “on track”.

b. Sunderman nominates Jacobson; Jacobson accepts.

- i. Jacobson accept introduces self; she states that she been on forum for a year as first year representative, and that this is her fourth year in a body governed by Roberts Rules. She proclaims she is a big fan of order, rule, and memorization, as well as being honored to be elected as parliamentarian
- ii. Representative Jacobson is elected Parliamentarian.

2. Motion carried

iv. Elect Three At Large Representatives Presented by Wolf

1. Motion requested by Koester; second by Dial

2. Motioned carried

3. Representative Daniewicz reminded the forum members that the elected members will be apart of the Executive Committee. Representative Daniewicz noted elections will be held one at a time.

4. Dial nominates Haile; Haile accepts.

a. Representative Haile introduces self, explains that she was an active member of the past administration, went to a lot of Executive Committee meetings this semester, was involved in Support The U Day, and hopes to expose MCSA to diversity issues and challenge traditional points of MCSA.

5. Koester nominates Lamegin; Lamegin declines.

6. Barnett nominates self; Barnett accepts.

a. Barnett introduces self; she explains that she has been a part of forum for the past year, is on Forum for Equality, queer students rights is important to her, as well as representing the underrepresented.

7. Stangel nominates Kleckner; Kleckner accepts.

a. Kleckner introduces self, and wishes to become more involved in forum. He knows alot about the workings and goals of MCSA, and is confident in his work in the Executive Committee to reach out to all

groups and individuals to make UMM a better place for everybody.

8. Kleckner nominates Stangel; Stangel accepts.

a. Stangel introduces self, proclaims that he is next year's student senate consultative committee representative, and hopes to bridge gaps between student governments and to collaborate and coordinate with each other.

9. Koester nominates Ledermann; Ledermann declines.

10. Arnold nominates self; Arnold accepts.

a. Arnold explains that this is his 2nd year in MCSA, wants to be in MCSA leadership position for a new perspectives and experiences; he has student organization experience outside of student government; want to make sure MCSA is working with student organizations, bringing in students to student gov, and more representative organization.

11. Sunderman nominates Miller; Miller accepts.

a. Miller introduces self; he is the budget manager, chair of AFRC, has experience with student meetings and wishes to become more involved.

12. Jacobson nominates Johnson; Johnson accepts.

a. Johnson introduces self, informs that last year he was secretary for academic affairs, is a senator for larger university issues and wishes to bring those issues to forum, and he was already a part of the Executive Committee, wishes to bridge communication gap with Executive Committee and forum.

13. Wealot nominates Wentz; Wentz declines.

14. Haile, Arnold, and Stangel are elected.

v. Approval of Secretary of Student Services Presented by Wolf

1. President Wolf nominates Representative Dial; Representative Dial accepts.

2. Approval motioned by Riley; Second by Koester.

3. Motion carried.

4. Dial motioned to pass remaining election votes as a slate; second by Koester.
5. Motion Carried.

vi. Approval of Secretary of Resources and Operations Presented by Wolf

1. Representative Ellery Wealot.

vii. Approval of Secretary of Academic Affairs Presented by Wolf

1. Representative Emily Sunderman.

viii. Approval of Secretary of Campus Relations Presented by Wolf

1. Representative Jayce Koester.

ix. Approval of Minnesota Student Legislative Coalition Representatives Presented by Wolf

1. Representative Sonja Swanson and Laddie Arnold

x. Approval of Student Senate Consultative Committee Representative Presented by Wolf

1. Representative Alex Stangel.

xi. Approval of Board of Regents Representative Presented by Wolf

1. Representative Jordan Wentz.

xii. Approval of the Budget Manager Presented by Wolf

1. Representative Bobby Miller.

b. For Information:

i. Queer Student Demographic Questions Presented by Koester - Representative Koester stated that there is a push to try and get queer demographics for queer students on campus, consisting of questions in registration about gender and sexual preferences for administration to collect information on queer student experiences. Representative Koester stated at MPIRG this past weekend, they voted on measures that would be worked on during the next school year to add queer demographics into the administration and increased queer demographics training for faculty and students. Queer demographics is listed 2nd on the priorities agenda for MPIRG. For additional information, Representative Koester requested you contact him, or attend an Equality meeting on Wednesdays at 8:00pm in RC GWS.

X. Announcements

a. Sustainability Events Presented by Representative Wealot - Representative Wealot informed the forum members that next week is Earth Week and many events will be held. Everyone is open to participate and attend, more people needed.

1. Monday April 21st, 2014: Sustainability Fun Fair @ The Mall from 1:00pm - 4:00pm. Volunteers are needed for one hour shifts; the sign up sheet is attached to forum minutes.

2. Tuesday April 22nd, 2014: Open discussion with topics presented such as global warming and honeybee concerns. Treats will be provided.

b. ARFC presented by Representative Miller - AFRC members are needed and the applications are due in the Student Activities Office on Wednesday 16th, 2014 at 4:00pm. The applications were sent via listserv and will be sent again during the week.

XI. Adjourn

a. Representative Arnold motioned to adjourn; second by Representative Dial.

b. Motion carried; adjourn at 6:58pm.