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- I. Roll Call
 - a. Godding called the meeting to order at 6:00
 - b. Wolf called roll; Representatives Bokku, Kies, Sletten, and Wentz were absent, Representatives Churchill, Donovan, Forde, Helgeson, Karrells, Preston, and H. Van Cleve were excused.
- II. For Action: Approve Agenda
 - a. McBrady motioned to approve the agenda; second by Daniewicz.
 - b. Motion carried.
- III. For Action: Approve Minutes
 - a. McBrady motioned to approve the minutes; second by Vogel.
 - b. Motion carried.
- IV. President's Remarks
 - a. McBrady extends his welcome to the new First Years and new Organization Representations. Even though it is a holiday weekend, thank you to those that showed up and the Forum will be fairly short. Please mark down the 16th of September is the Fall Retreat for MCSA at the LaFave. Any student group can apply for a Student Organization Representatives, but the University Register is the first to complete the paperwork.
 - b. The agenda does list the MCSA Budget as an enclosure but there wasn't enough time to get the correct version of everything in order for Forum this week.
- V. For Information: Brief Overview of Robert's Rules *Presented by Vice-President Godding*
 - a. Handouts will be coming in a future meeting to show how meetings are run. Godding reviewed the process of how to interject in a meeting to clear up any questions from Forum Members and present individuals that might be interested in First Year Council. The overall meeting idea is to keep meetings in order, comments civil, and Forum productive. Even though rules are something we run our meetings by, they are not meant to be scary or intimidating.
- VI. For Action: Approval of UR Petition for Representation *Presented by Representative Daniewicz and Editor In-Chief Sam Fettig*
 - a. McBrady moved to approve the UR Petition for Representation; seconded by Gruntner.
 - b. Daniewicz went over the rules to Petition for Seeking Representation to the Forum for the entire Forum body to clarify why he and Sam Fettig were present, including his petition that was presented to the Executive Committee on Thursday, August 29th.
 - c. Gruntner wanted to get out that it was a good idea to get more representation from different student organizations, but she was wondering to what extent this position was discussed in the UR. Daniewicz explained that they explained to the staff they were seeking a

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MCSA Forum seat, and the election for the seat would be conducted before Forum of the next week.

- d. Rosana wanted to know how the Morris NorthStar felt about this certain idea, and if the University Register was granted representation the NorthStar should get the same.
- e. Z. Van Cleve believes that they should have equal representation, but if any student organization comes forward in the future – we would review their applications and such.
- f. Baglio is caught up on the wording on page 5, but all organizations need to have the ability to apply and seek a position.
- g. Vogel agrees but the organizations should be approached separately, but it is a separate matter from the issue at hand. Right now Forum should be concerned about only the University Register's merits or lack there of. The member from the UR should be here because of their involvement in the campus.
- h. McBrady noted that the other student organizations will be getting an email in the next couple of days to apply, and they will be encouraged to apply as a whole.
- i. Daniewicz pointed out that in the Bylaws, it's stated that petitions will be made available at the start of the semester and turned in no later that four weeks into the semester. The gates are closing so the timeline needs to be looked into as well, but the timeline can be reopened for next semester as well.
- j. McBrady pointed out the ability for the next semester's application, but now the focus should be on the UR rather than anything else.
- k. Vogel believed the this conversation should be moved to the next Forum, and the discussion should also be had about moving the application timeline back in order for the best results from all organizations.
- l. Vogel called for a roll-call vote.
- m. Wolf called roll. Motion passed by a vote of 14-0-1.

VII. Organization Reports

- a. Concert this Saturday in Oyate at 7.

VIII. Old Business

- a. MCSA First Year Elections are coming up, and this week we will be tabling. We still have several spots that are open, so if you all could double check the grid that would be appreciated. Tell all of the First Years
- b. If you could sign up to come along to Community Councils tomorrow, that would be great as well to discuss Elections.

IX. New Business

- a. None

X. Adjourn

- a. Motioned to adjourn; second by Vogel
- b. Motion carried. Forum adjourned at 6:23 p.m.