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- I.** Roll Call
 - a. Van Cleve called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.
 - b. Granaas called roll. Representatives Sletten and Robinson were tardy; Representatives Trumper, Lindeman, and Blankenfeld were excused.
- II.** For Action: Approve Agenda
 - a. Govada motioned to approve the agenda; second by Vogel.
 - b. Motion carried.
- III.** For Action: Approve Minutes
 - a. Govada motioned to approve the minutes; second by Forde.
 - b. Motion carried.
- IV.** President's Remarks
 - a. Campus Assembly was not as contentious as we expected, which is a good thing. But an announcement was made about the Student Release questions on Student Evaluations; this subject may require a future discussion in Forum.
 - b. Don't take student placement on committees for granted. Our role in the decision-making process is evident. "What we do matters!"
- V.** For Information: Attendance Policy *Presented by President Govada*
 - a. As representatives of the student body, keep in mind that Forum is a necessary means of communication among student representatives. If you're late, leave early, or don't show up at all, you're doing a disservice to the entire student body. If you have the courtesy to inform the president, vice-president, or executive assistant in advance of your absence, you will be excused. Please avoid making commitments at 7pm because decision made in Forum may require time spent beyond the one hour meeting mark.
 - b. Rook inquired about a hard-copy version of the attendance policy that was agreed-upon by Forum at the beginning of the year. The policy will be available through an email request to President Govada.
- VI.** For Action: Carry Forward Policy *Presented by Secretary Forde*
 - a. Govada motioned to approve the Carry Forward Policy; second by McBrady.

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- i. Forde presented the details of this policy last week.
- ii. Showalter believes this policy is too conservative because it limits spending students' money to the largest potential. Forde explained that it makes sense to start conservatively because no policy like this has been in place. It is much easier to correct the policy to be more liberal than to find out the hard way that there is not enough money.

b. Motion carried.

VII. For Information: Budget Policy By-Laws Amendment *Presented by Secretary Forde*

- a. The purpose of the update is to make the budget and the spending policies more clear. At this point, amendments and friendly suggestions to this revised policy will be considered. Please send all input to Forde.
- b. Forde explained the proposed policy in greater detail and went over the logic behind the revisions.

VIII. Organization Reports

- a. CNIA's Billy Frank had to reschedule; the updated details will be made available when CNIA has Frank's confirmation.
- b. Faculty and P&A Affairs Committee will be defining "workload."
- c. Student DFL is hosting Occupy Morris March, as well as a Teach-In.
- d. Forde announced Coming-Out Week and various events associated with the week.
- e. MPIRG has finished a Morris Buyer's Guide. Contact Peters to pick one up for free. Talk to Peters about ideas for upcoming projects.
- f. STLF Wheelchair-a-Thon starts this week.

IX. Old Business

- a. None

X. New Business

- a. Forde announced the continuation of a campus composting effort. If anyone is interested in composting and would like to get involved in the steps moving forward, talk to Forde or Peters. Getting accurate readings on the waste stream

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will be the final step in determining the site and costs associated with composting.

MCSA will continue to be involved in composting efforts.

XI. Adjourn

a. Showalter motioned to adjourn; second by Govada.

b. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:28pm.

XII. MCSA Committee meetings