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Members Absent

- Welle (E)

Proxies:

- Thomas Lane - Advisor Wiese
- Lindsay Kuntz - Senator Welle
- Grace Pugsley - Senator Ellefson (Until Reports)

Approval of the Agenda  Schwegel/Mihal

- Call to Order
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Agenda Approved

Approval of the Minutes  Pugsley/Scott

Minutes from 11-11-04 Approved
Maier

- I would like to welcome Dean Suomala and Dean Jeppson!

Jeppson

- Hello! My name is Ron Jeppson and I am the Dean of Natural and Social Sciences. I am the immediate supervisor to a little over 100 faculty.
- The Deans job is to be responsible for curriculum and courses.
- I also oversee the Liberal Studies Committee (either my position or the Dean of Arts and Humanities)
- As Dean I oversee the budget of the College, close to 90% of my budget goes to faculty salary.

Mihal

- How often are Department chairs elected?

Jeppson

- Every 3 years the Department chair is elected.

Mihal

- If a student has a problem with a professor, do they come to you?

Jeppson

- The basic process is to have the student try and work the problems out with the professor and have it be more informal. If that does not work go to the department chair and then the Dean which is a much more formal process.

Scott

- What is the update with the technology plan?

Jeppson

- On the web you can view that. There is a task force to look into where technologically the University wants to go.
  - Laptop environment for faculty. Providing one for all faculty.
  - Equip the classrooms with projectors.
  - Wire the University to have wireless in all areas

Maier
Thank you Dean Jeppson for coming and introducing yourself!

Suomala

- Good Afternoon! I am Dorothy Suomala, the Dean of the College of Education and Human Services.
- The education is the largest major on our campus, about 1500 students.
- That department however does not start students as freshman, and they do course work to prepare them for professionalism.
- We make sure to maintain connections with the community to help with student internships.
- I really appreciate all of you being senators and demonstrating democracy in action!
- I want to develop a Student Advisory Committee in our college.

Herbert

- What would that committee cover?

Suomala

- I would like to know from the students prospective about placement in the community, interacting with faculty, courses. Ideas on ways we can become more user friendly and communicate with you better.
- I also plan to make an information kiosk to provide easily accessible information to students.

Maier

- Thank you Dean Suomala for coming!

Torpen

- A Graphic Design student was commenting on the fact that so far there has only been 1 computer class in the program and more studio time. The student was not happy with the lack of computer classes.

Eidsmoe

- Students have mentioned to me a concern with having only one crosswalk on 14th St. with lighting. There should be more crosswalks or more lights.

McCoy

- I saw that only 2 students attended the CD Sub-Committee Open Forum. I was surprised that no senators were there at all besides Kemi and Temie

Cailao
I just returned from St. Cloud State and saw their new Student Union. They have done some interesting things with art and campus enhancements. We should have more enhanced facilities.

**Reports**

**Proxy Advisor Lane**

- We would really like to see a Senator appointed to the Student Activity Fee Review committee.
- Karen Mehnert-Meland from the CMU wants you to talk to your constituents about facilities and the look of the new Union.
- We do have an opportunity for enhanced programs as well.

**Rachel Goehner (Treasurer)**

- NO REPORT

**Austin McCoy (Vice President)**

- NO REPORT

**Travis Maier (President)**

- Elections are finished; need to be better prepared next semester, especially for technology problems and advertising
- SABC: funded one request, tabled another, received FY06 budget packets & developed proposal for dramatics debt
- Student Tech. Fee meets Monday, if you're on the committee please show up...we need quorum
- Thanks to all who attended retreat and helped put it on
- Green Fee Committee will be called Sustainable Campus Committee; structure is being developed
- I'm considering developing and holding a State of the University Address when we return from winter break
- I'm developing a plan to increase senate efficiency and credibility through a planning model
- Senator Cailao is over his unexcused absence limit, a removal procedure will be held next meeting

**Grace Pugsley (Secretary)**

- Hello! You will have to bear with me, I have a very bad cold. Senator Schneider likes to call it 'The Plague.' Call
it what you will, I am sick!!

- This week I typed the minutes, which by the way, were 26 pages long and my hand hurt tremendously after the meeting!

- I updated the attendance. If by chance you did not do an office hour this week because you were sitting at the voting tables, I will pass office hour slips around and you may fill those out and send them back up here. Remember to put the date and time that you were at the table!

- I updated profiles on the website. If you do not have a profile yet, there are forms in your mailboxes, PLEASE fill those out and return them to myself or to Treasurer Goehner.

- I voted for Student Senate! YAY! However I was very disappointed because my first attempts were hindered by me not being able to vote off campus. I, along with many others, was still coming up under my old place of residence. But I did finally get to vote for Off Campus senators, so the problem was fixed!

- I picked up mail! Woo!

- I attended the retreat on Friday. That was a lot of fun, yet I was extremely tired and had to drive to Vermillion at 7a.m. the next morning and did not sleep for a span of over 45 hours. On the lighter side, I did sort of learn how to play racquet ball and took part in watching a vigorous game of Wally Ball.

- I attended Cabinet Monday morning at 8:00a.m.

- I cleaned the office, every day this week. PLEASE KEEP THE OFFICE CLEAN!!!!!! Don't leave everything lying around or piled up on top of things. If you find you have nothing to do for your office hour, you can try and clean up after yourself, clean up after everyone else which I do all the time, or organize things that look unorganized.

- I attended the Marketing meeting today and discussed shirts/sweatshirts for Student Senate. I still prefer black with pink writing..."Pink is the new mans navy blue."

- I changed the word of the week!

- I updated the website

- I filled out a survey about the fountain!

- I announced voting for Student Senate elections on my Radio Show (5-7p.m. Tuesdays). Emilie Mihal found immense insight in my speech and immediately voted after hearing the announcement. I did make a
• I submitted the form to nominate Campus Rep Holmes for Leader of the Month.

• Things and Stuff!

**Campus Affairs (Chair Mihal)**

• Attendance - Thursday at 1:00
  - Fossey - U
  - Lovcik - U
  - Eidsmoe - U
  - Mihal - U
  - Randhawa - U

• NO REPORT

**Committee on Committees (Exec)**

• Attendance - Thursday at 3:30
  - Dassinger - U
  - Schwegel - U
  - Baxter - U
  - Maurina - U

• NO REPORT

**Legislative & Internal Affairs (Co-Chairs Herbert & Frolek)**

• Attendance - Fridays at 3:00
  - Scott
  - Cailao
  - Wilson-Mattson
  - Frolek
  - Herbert

• Discussed beginning plans for lobby day, such as setting up tables for student attendance and student issues on November 22, 23, 29, and 30th.

• We're going to talk to Sodexho about advertising for
Student Organizations in Union City.

- Everybody lied on the ground in a line and we took turns steam rolling over everyone. Co-Chair Herbert fractured his left wrist during this event
  - Just kidding.

Marketing (Chair Booth)

- Attendance - Thursday's at 11:00
  - Schneider - U
  - Booth - U
  - Zaman - U
  - Ellefson - U

- NO REPORT

Tuition and Fees Oversight (Chair Torpen)

- Attendance - Wednesday at 5:00
  - Torpen!
  - Giwa
  - Welle
  - Mitchell

- Welle is typing up a sheet of our student fees that we will submit to the IT people soon, to include in the summer schedules, and all the ones after that.

- Had a meeting with Todd Stugelmayer on Monday about the fountain, and he gave lots of information. he will contact Northern Improvements and another company in the area who will be able to donate labor and equipment, so to pay for the fountain all we need is the materials. I am in contact with the art department and await their reply on whether they would offer an internship next semester for students who would want to design the fountain. I contacted President Barden but have not yet heard from him yet. the surveys for student interest are still being distributed. Todd Stugelmayer said the grounds crew will happily work to keep the fountain clean, so no new fee will be necessary for future fountain maintenance. If you have any questions or comments, send them to torpenda@mnstate.edu

- verse of the week: Romans 5:8 "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinner, Christ died for us."
Cultural Diversity Sub Committee (Chair Giwa)

- We had our open forum, it wasn't quite as successful as we wanted but it was awesome overall and we learned a lot about putting up programs.

- We also had our public relations day. A lot of students filled out our survey and we will be working on the results.

- I attended the TOCAR Steering Committee meeting and will be attending more in the future.

- We are working with the SSSA Sub-Committee of TOCAR in implementing cultural diversity training in the FYE curriculum.

MSUSA Campus Rep (Holmes)

- Helped get out the vote for Senate elections

- Talked to the Alumni Office about the Alumni list for MSUSA.
  - They can't release the contact information because of the non-profit status.

- Next week
  - I will work on a list of former student senators.

MSUSA Cultural Diversity Rep (Oni)

- Black Student Alliance
  - They had a movie night

- International Student Club
  - A long discussion on the death of Yasser Arafat.
  - No country presentation

- Slavic Culture Club
  - Fundraising ideas
  - Talked about their movie night
  - Country Presentation

- Cultural Diversity Sub-Committee
  - I made survey questions
  - Handed out the survey to people.
Attended the open forum on Tuesday

Old Business:

None!

New Business:

Motion 05-40 Campus Affairs

Whereas the Alcohol Task Force has created a "Strategic Plan for Reducing Beverage Alcohol Misuse Among MSUM Students" that outlines a plan to reduce heavy episodic drinking among MSUM's students,

Be it resolved that Student Senate support the Alcohol Task Force's mission to have students make responsible decisions when consuming alcohol; however, let it be noted that Senate has the following concerns about the strategic plan:

- Before the Student Senate "engage the student editors regarding voluntary, student-created guidelines for responsible beverage alcohol advertising in the Advocate" that Senate consider where the Advocate could get alternative sources of revenue;
- That Senate believes that making more Friday and eight am classes will not be effective to prevent the misuse of alcohol;
- That Senate encourages the university to implement an outreach program to the local community and public schools to promote alcohol awareness.

Be it further resolved that Senate continues to work closely with the Alcohol Task Force and to create a healthy dialogue in the discussion of alcohol misuse,

Motion 05-40 passes with 1 abstention

Move to Open COC Nominations Baxter/ Dassinger

Scholarship and Financial Aid Advisory Board
Alison Hockenberry - pass

Financial Aid and Suspension Appeals
Alison Hockenberry - pass

SHAC
Erik Paulson - pass

Move to Close COC Nominations Booth/Schwegel

Motion 05-41 Exec

Whereas the Fall Elections are now closed and the results have
been calculated and reviewed.

Be it resolved that the Student Senate approve the finalized ballot,

Be it further resolved that Leg/Int. review the election procedures and make a recommendation to increase the accuracy and fairness in all future elections.

Motion 05-41 passes with 2 nays

**Points for the Good of the Order:**

**Mihal**
- I would like to nominate Secretary Pugsley's report tonight as the most random one this semester. I liked it!
- The survey results must have taken a lot of time!

**Pugsley**
- Congratulations to Stephanie and Justin for being Co-Chairs.
- Congratulations to everyone who won Senate Elections!

**Maier**
- Congratulations to all of those who won, for those who did not we will have openings to be appointed to in the Spring!

**McCoy**
- Congratulations to all of those who were elected.

**Giwa**
- I think we should encourage each other, it feels good.
- Keep up the good work!!!

**Announcement**

**Frolek**
- I will post the sign up sheet in the office. We might have 2 tables, there are a lot of people already signed up.

**Pugsley**
- We are going to Buffalo Wild Wings for anyone who wants to come.
- We are going to watch the OC at my house after that for anyone who wants to come!
- If anyone is going to be here over Thanksgiving and does not already have plans, Travis, Billy, and I are having people over for a Thanksgiving Dinner at our house. If anyone is interested let one of us know. Feel free to
come, we have plenty of food, and then you won't have to eat by yourself at the Steak House!!! :)

McCoy

- There will not be Cabinet next Monday, but November 29th we will have Cabinet at 8:00a.m.

Torpen

- We are having a dance party at our house Friday night around 10:00.
- There will be FREE water!

Holmes

- If you have any concerns with the Tuition Freeze please come talk to me.

McCoy

- Just a reminder of the dance party at our house Friday night!

Mihal

- Is the music free also??

Torpen

- Yes, free music. And there will be an unveiling of Chair Torpen's new single!

Booth

- Can I get the survey results please!

Giwa

- I have CD-Sub Committee surveys that you can hand out!

Adjournment

(Schwegel/Wilson-Mattson) Motion to adjourn passes

Adjourn at 6:36p.m.

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