

73rd MSSA Senate
April 26 2006

Final 73rd Senate called to order by Speaker Gabe Afolayan

Roll Call (present-absent-proxy-excused)

Elizabeth Zika 28-0-0, Mercy Warriari 6-3-0, Karen Rubbert 10-0-0, James Dye 27-0-0-1, Kevin Bender 27-1-0, Brandon Ross 25-2-1, Jenna Ault 27-1-0, Melissa Turner 28-0-0, Kristeen Giese 20-1-0, Jessica Nelson 8-1-0, Oluwaseyi Ogunseye 22-4-0-2, Christopher Frederick 27-1-0, Lisa Darvell 26-2-0, Josh Peterson 25-2-0-1, Marianne Reilly 16-1-0, Omolayo Ogunnowo 20-3-0, Ryan Flugaur 8-1-0, A.J. Bittner 11-1-0, Shannon Woods 26-0-0-2, Eric Christensen 18-2-0, Jessica Cichy 25-3-0, Matthew Ward 24-3-1, Jared Jackson 28-0-0, Ian Boyd 20-2-0, Philip VanWyngarden 12-0-0, Ryan Anderson 18-0-0, President Rob Wills 26-1-0-1, Vice President Mike Bruner 21-2-0

Open Forum

Presentation-Residential Life Director Cindy Janney

University Dining Services: Goals and Objective: quality, flexible, fun, residential dining, innovative, popular retail restaurants across campus, impeccable catering program for every budget.

Fact-Based Decision Making, students are price conscious. MSU has a preference for traditional foods and ethnic.

So Cuisine-this is a concept. The big thing is that the company has a national student board of directors. There is an application process for this paid position.

Residential Marketing Plan-Food, fun and creating community. Marketing will focus on students dining in the residential halls. They will have limited time offerings.

Centennial Student Union: Smoothie, Jazzman's, Quiznos Sub, Chick Fill A, Smoothie, Caribou Coffee, Cafe a la cart. Hamburgers and hot breakfast will be moved upstairs. In the circle also called

Expeditions-lots of concepts that represent authentic ethnic food.

Downstairs-Pizza, Ultimate BaHa, Herschel's 34-chicken wings (possible)

We are looking at expanded hours of service, especially on weekends.

Library-Jazzman's Cafe which will include salads and bakery

Myers Caribou Coffee shop and smart market (organic inspired)

Wissink Hall-Coolers with fresh food 8-3PM

Gage Convenience Store, Quick Zone

Chets Place, Quick Zone, Grill 155, Caribou

Professional Catering Program-Catering Programs for Every Budget. Casual, quick, affordable, pick-up with disposables. Classic-extensive menus with full service, china and linen, Professional Culinary, Balance Mind and Soul, recipes available.

Meal Plan Options: Maverick AnyTime + \$50.00 Flex per semester, Maverick 14 + \$125 per semester

Maverick 160-Create Your Own Meal Plan

160 Block Plan at \$5 conversion rate. Plans are customized for each individual, real choices, you can come and go

Director Janney-The President has asked us to look at what it would mean to have all freshman live in the hall. The new hall model is posted.

Vice President Bruner-What authority will the student have in policy making on the student board?

Director Janney-Each campus negotiates the contract. I will look into that.

Senator VanWyngarden-What will the pricing for off-campus students that eat in the halls be?

Director Janney-I think we will see those prices go up, they have been held down. The Halls run on the basis of the room and board plan. I don't have actual prices. We are also looking at a package of flex dollars.

Senator Bender-What is the mark up for Quizno's etc?

Director Janney-I will look into that, I am not sure what it is now.

Senator Flugaur-Are first year students required to purchase a meal plan?

Director Janney-Yes, it will be the same way we do it now. Dinner hours will be extended, hours will be contingent on student life needs. There will be more night time hours. Currently, it is 7:00 PM in the dining hall.

Senator Reilly-Are they looking at using more environmentally friendly cups, not styrofoam cups?

Director Janney-I will look in to that as well.

The university has a 90 day clause and if unhappy they can discontinue the contract after that time

Approval of Agenda Agenda stands approved

Approval of Minutes 4-12-06 Minutes, 4-19-06 Minutes, minutes stand approved

Old Business

Officer Reports

President Rob Wills

Appointments: Career Development Assessment Review-Nicole D. Hannah

Vice President Mike Bruner

It has been an amazing year.

Speaker Afolayan

Committee Reports

SAC-Matt Ward, Chair

SAC M#04.25.06A Alpha Sigma Alpha

Student Allocations recommends allocating up to \$350.00 to Alpha Sigma Alpha to travel to Boston, MA for the Alpha Sigma Alpha Sorority National Convention.

Motion Passes

Technology Roundtable-Ryan Anderson

M#04.26.06 Senator Anderson/VanWynyarden

Move to approve the Technology Roundtable recommendation on the 2006-2007 technology budget and the technology fee (currently \$7.00 per credit-12 credit maximum).

Motion passes

Student Union Board-Eric Christensen

M#04.26.06B Senator Christensen/Woods

Whereas: Student organizations would be more visible to a greater number of students if there were tabling spaces in the main area of the CSU.

The Student Union Board moves to allow RSO's (exclusively) to table at the top of the stair case above the campus computer store on the hub side of the glass, so long as the request is approved by university scheduling and does not create any unforeseen problems, to be determined by future Union Boards.

Motion passes

Senator Reports

Gage A-Ryan Flugaur-I hope that I did not make too many enemies. I told you I wanted opinions from my constituency. I surveyed the students and these are some of the results I received. These results are not formal. Out of 486 surveys given out I have received 25 back so far. It reflects an aphetic opinion in Gage. There were interesting comments. Alcohol abuse is noticeable, doors by stairwells-should we have a key for that? People overwhelmingly wanted that for security reasons.

A couple weeks ago a senator from Crawford mentioned the cafeteria. I appreciate the presentation today, it answered many of the questions. Chartwell did a good job, we should give them a round of applause.

Gage looks like it will get new things from the proposal. One other issue is accepting credit cards. I served on SOAFC this semester, I was pleased with the way the money was spent. I am really pleased that we did not use all the extra money we got. I attended Lobby Day and MSUSA. That \$25.00 fee will not be passing.

I think requiring first year students to live on campus would be a bad idea. Some students don't want to live in the dorms. Parking-people in Gage are frustrated. Parking is always full.

Finally it was mentioned today that maybe we should split the Student Affairs Committee and Res Halls as Off-Campus and Res Halls have different needs.

College of Science, Engineering, and Technology-Jessica Nelson (written report)

Meeting with Dr. John Frey, Dean of CSET

- We discussed the new motion that has been approved by the Governor, and both the Senate and the House
 - a. A new addition to Trafton
 - b. The new building will be connected to Trafton south, and will consist of 65,000 sp feet, three levels
 - c. Cost 34 million dollars.
 - d. This motion is due to pass next month
 - e. MNSC construction will begin late summer, early fall.
 - f. The project is prospected to last two years.
- The chemistry department is going to move out of the mechanical engineering buildings (Trafton North), and will move into the new building.
 - a. 1st floor is going to consist of the geology department and general chemistry course labs and classrooms.
 - b. 2nd floor is going to be molecular and bio-chemistry labs
 - c. 3rd floor is advanced chemistry and they are going to move the animal labs out of Trafton South to this floor
- Trafton North:
 - a. The 2nd floor is going to be all electrical engineering
 - b. 3rd floor is civil engineering and the anthropology department is also going to move to this floor
- Moving and expanding the automotive engineering labs.
 - a. They want to upgrade testing labs to meet EPA standards.
 - b. The project will cost 2 million dollars, which is not bonding money. The governor of the state wants our school's lab to be the testing center for the new line of automobiles that are starting to come out (i.e. plug in hybrid, ethanol based fuel (testing which blend is most efficient), and utilizing the technology for E85 vehicles
 - c. Our labs now are preparing there alternative based fuel vehicles for the SAE formula competition/ Ford, in Detroit Michigan, every May.
 - d. This is also a sensitive issue/event, because 3 students died last year on the way to the competition.
- SCET has also hired seven new faculty members, in the areas of:
 - a. Cell biology
 - b. Mathematics Education
 - c. Applied Statistics
 - d. Automotive Engineering Technology
 - e. Medical Physics
 - f. Electrical & Computer Engineering
 - g. Chemistry

Announcements

President Wills-I would like to announce the Senator of the Year-Seyi Ogunseye

We should all thank Kyle for her work on MSUSA and thanks again to Joel.

Senator Seyi-Thank you all, I learned a lot.

Senator Ault-May 6, I turn 21.

Senator Ward-I turned 23 today.

Senator Cichy-My 21st birthday Monday.

Roll Call

Senators Present

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Senators Absent

Ian Boyd

Executive Staff Present

President Rob Wills, Vice President Mike Bruner

Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 7:20 P.M.