

74th MSSA Senate October 18, 2006

74th Senate called to order Speaker Jered Jackson

Roll Call (present-absent-proxy-excused)

Jessica Kallio 10-0-0, Taitum Thompson 5-4-0-1, Casey Carmody 9-0-0-1, , Brett Fleck 10-0-0, Nikki Hanna 6-0-0, Brandon Ross 8-2-0, Jenna Ault 9-1-0, Katie Ischkin 5-0-0-1, Kristeen Giese 9-0-0-1, Jessica Nelson 9-1-0, Oliver Okoye 7-3-0, Kenneth Willaert 6-0-0, Nolan Chenevert 10-0-0, Peter Jennings 10-0-0, Marianne Reilly 8-2-0, Ryan Anderson 10-0-0, Amanda Bertelsen 4-2-0, Kathryn Pase 10-0-0, Evan Trosvik 10-0-0, Jennifer Hansen 5-0-0, Ryan Christensen 9-1-0, Allan Gould 9-1-0, Jon Hurm 10-0-0, Jason Schilling 10-0-0, Caroline Kornowicz 8-2-0, Aaron Lorenzen 6-0-0
President Gabe Afolayan 10-0-0, Vice President Chris Frederick 10-0-0

Approval of Agenda Agenda approved with addition of Presidential appointments.

Presentations

Vice President of Finance & Administration-Rick Straka

I appreciate the opportunity of coming before you today. The reason we wanted to talk to you is that we have an ongoing agreement with TCF. That agreement is up for renewal July 1. It is time for us to start negotiations, part of that is a process to look at whether or not we should renew the agreement, it is a two year agreement with the ability to renew for one year two additional times. Next June 30 the first two year segment runs out. We are looking at renewing that for an additional year. We would like to know if there are any major concerns with the TCF operations with the students. We have a very good working relationship with TCF. We work very closely with them through the Mav Card Office, through the Hub and the Business Office. So far our relationship indicates that we should renew that agreement. What I am here to do today is take any comments that leadership or senators would like to make that would lead us to believe that we should look into any aspect of their operation as we are looking at renegotiating this agreement. I am just putting this out today, you can discuss this at another time if you would like. If you have any questions about the agreement, if you have any concerns about the relationship with TCF, please let us know. This is such an important student service we provide, that we feel that when it comes time to extend the agreement we should have student feedback in case there is something that would lead us to believe we should not extend the agreement.

Senator Giese-I have been getting feedback about the fact that TCF is not as easy to access off campus.

Vice President Straka-Checks primarily or check cards?

Senator Giese-I am not sure, I think it is checks as it seems to be an issue in some grocery stores of not being able to use TCF checks.

Senator Ross-How many TCF's are there? Is it just basically based in the Twin Cities?

Vice President Straka-TCF is throughout the state of Minnesota. They have a significant presence on higher education campuses. They have a site at the University of Minnesota, and receive significant support from the University of Minnesota. They have a site at St. Cloud, Duluth and Mankato. They are in most cities of mid size or larger.

Senator Ross-Would there be a way of considering other banks because TCF is mainly in Minnesota? I mean I go through Wells Fargo and they are pretty much throughout the nation. A lot of students travel, that should be an option we look into in the future.

Vice President Straka-The agreement we have is put out by a proposal. We received a proposal back from TCF and US Bank. We did not receive a proposal from Wells Fargo to have a banking relationship on campus. That RFP process had two sections to it. We asked people to give us a quote or their bid for an exclusive arrangement and in a non-exclusive arrangement. In an exclusive arrangement, people will pay for the privilege of being on this campus. TCF does have exclusive rights on this campus and to do exclusive marketing. We have been trying to be careful at Orientations to we remind students they have the option to use any bank that

they wish but there are some convenience factors to have a branch on campus. That is where we are with exclusive right now. There was a group, I think there were ten people that evaluated the responses and decided to choose TCF two years ago.

Senator Sands-I am from out of state and it is not very convenient for me. I have to have two checking accounts because I have Wells Fargo there and then I have one here. I was also wondering about something more national. I also have heard many students complain about customer service with TCF, saying they are too slow. Sometimes the lines are very long. If we do keep them could they correct that by having more staff on or something to improve the conditions?

Vice President Straka-I can have that conversation with management as we negotiate the agreement.

Senator Carmody-You did touch on this but I do know there is a concern at Orientation because people do get the feeling that TCF is the only bank that they can work with on campus or if you have a job on campus that is the only place you can get direct deposit on campus. You touched on it but I don't know if it is the marketing, I know TCF does not want to say go to other banks but I think it would be helpful if it was made a little more clear at Orientation. Could you please think about it?

Vice President Straka-Absolutely. Is there anyone here that went through Orientation this past summer?

Senator Lorenzen-It was all a little overwhelming at the time but it kind of did feel like the only way that I could do banking on campus was through TCF.

Vice President Straka-I appreciate that input because we have tried to make some changes in the Orientation process so that students know that it is a convenience for them to bank with TCF on this campus. By no means are we trying to push every student toward that arrangement. Students have the choice to bank with whom ever they wish. As far as direct deposit goes for financial aid or payroll. It does not make any difference, the administration will process any bank for direct deposit. This is a very important service and we do want your input before we make this important decision.

Vice President of Student Affairs-Dr. Patricia Swatfager-Haney

Student Affairs deals with non-academic and out of classroom experiences. We work directly with MSSA with our MSSA liaison, Joel Johnson. We also work with Mike Hodapp and the Student Allocations Funding Committee determining student fees. We have a number of student support services, Counseling, Health, Career, Women's Center. We have Campus Recreation, Centennial Student Union, Student Leadership, Enrollment Services area of Admissions, Registrar, FYE & Orientation. We have Security under Student Affairs and that is a good thing. We are able to talk about the student experience and what security means to that. We have Students Rights and Responsibilities under Mary Dowd. She works with student conduct and other student issues and she has been working this year with the City of Mankato with some off-campus issues. There has been a lot of publicity this Fall related to off-campus living. She also works with the SLD&SL office on off-campus issues. So we have a couple of things going there.

I want to congratulate you on the tremendous outreach this year on publicity and wanting to get student feedback. I am very impressed with the organization and the work that you have done. We do a number of university wide events, we just finished Family Weekend and I appreciate any work you may have done on that. Then we have Orientation, Welcome Week and Homecoming. I do appreciate the work that you are going to put in making Homecoming more of a student oriented event. I am very excited about that, That has been my experience on other campuses and I am excited to see that in addition to the efforts of IMPACT that it will have the Student Affairs committee of MSSA and other MSU groups. I know the Greeks have worked with it in the past. I am just so excited that we can build more of a tradition and that we have your support with that.

We do a number of consultations each year. We negotiate the Residence Hall Room & Board rates. That process will be beginning again soon with RHA and then coming to MSSA. We do the Student Union consultation on the Student Union rate. I think the Student Union Board that has gotten up and running has just given us good feedback on the food service and Quizno's. We work with SAC on budget information. We had phenomenal input last year when we were dealing with our food service contract, the people served very well and they are continuing to serve in an advisory role. Also Phase I, I think many of you may have been at the ground breaking for the new student housing in which we will have semi suites. It will be a little bit different housing arrangement, a little more convenient with new amenities. It is a 600 bed facility and will be open in fall of 2008. We have very strong student participation in the planning for that. We will have our architects back on campus this fall. They are from Baltimore and they will be seeking input on Phase II. Phase I covered the first 600 beds. The towers each have 600 beds so they will be looking at Phase II which would be a replacement for the next 600 beds. For the first housing project we are looking at a small amount of food service, sort of like a Chet's. There will be some food service there. Carkoski Dining and the CSU will also pick up additional food service needs. But when we look at the next 600 beds we really have to figure out if we would expand Carkoski Dining or how we would deal with an additional 600 people without the Gage Cafeteria. That will be on the agenda this year to talk about and we will be putting together a financial performance of how we can present that for revenue bonding. That is a couple years off.

We have also are working on the Campus Rec Outdoor Facilities proposal. Gabe and several people have been very involved in that. We will be getting more information out to you. The next step in that is that we have gotten pre-designs back from the architect. We have gotten good feedback on the observatory from the Astronomy faculty and with suggestions from your leadership we will be talking to city and county and school districts about possible partnerships. We will be updating the web site with the pre-design and other information.

We have been able to pull together a few other things this year. We have Psychiatric consultation this year for the first time. Last year we had a number of crisis situations. We now have additional support of psychiatry of five hours a week that will do additional support with our staff and students that in are in need of immediate consultation and referral. We will also have additional pharmacy hours for students going through crisis and may need medication. That is something we put together this year on a pilot basis. We have the new Sexual Violence Education Coordinator and we have some development ideas under way that we are really excited about. We just had some very good new on the Campus Kitchens project, at our last foundation meeting we had several donors step forward and say they would be willing to match some funds for the continuation of that project. We have got an Interim Development Director right now, Diane Solinger. She has been working on an endowment for the LGBT center that we would like to announce this spring because it is their 30th anniversary and I challenged her that since we were working on that and it is the Women's Center anniversary as well, that we should work on an endowment for that office. Development is a new position and it is really paying off.

Senator Fleck-Who do we contact regarding Phase I and the plans for that?

Vice President Swatfager-Haney-Cindy Janney and the student from RHA. I will get you his name as he is continuing to work on that. Certainly we are still looking for input on the servery and things like that.

Senator Okoye-Do you have plans for where the next phase will be located?

Vice President Swatfager-Haney-You know that has not been decided yet. One of the recommendations was to put an additional 600 bed out from McElroy, then we would have all the dining services on that side of campus. We would have a residential zone of student housing and we would probably bring the FYE office over as well. We are looking at concentrating housing in that area of campus but we still have to look at proposals and get more feedback on that.

Senator Sands-With the new dorms being developed has the RHA or the developers been looking into pedestrian walkways because currently it is not well in place I don't think. I know many

times last year, living in the dorms I felt like I was going to get hit crossing the street. That is a big concern especially with the cafeteria being over there. Will that be addressed?

Vice President Swatfager-Haney-Yes, last year we did have a letter that asked if we might have shuttle service, as there will not be parking by that building either. I know that Vice President Straka has that on the campus master planning. We will be doing that this fall. We will be looking at pedestrian and parking on campus. We know that is an issue and we certainly will address it in terms of the new housing going on campus and an over all campus plan. At this point we are talking about more of a shuttle service.

Senator Giese-You mentioned conversations with city officials and university personnel, have there been conversations like maybe overhead walk ways or under ground walk areas from the new dormitory to the CSU?

Vice President Swatfager-Haney-Two things and then I am going to call on Vice President Straka. At this point the plans for the new College of Business are to locate that next to the CSU. The new residence hall will have an area that could receive a bridge or a skyway across the street into the new College of Business when it is built. We are planning that in the drawings right now. I know Vice President Straka is working with the city and county on a number of ideas

Vice President Straka- A couple areas the city and county have been talking to us about primarily relate to Stadium Road. Stadium Road is county owned so they really have complete responsibility, we can talk to them and negotiate but they really own the road and they can do what they want with it. We have talked with them because now that the stop lights were put in, it has really created more of a safety hazard. We would like to believe all of our faculty and staff and students don't j-walk a lot, but we do. Now cars are coming through those intersections on a green light traveling 30-40 miles an hour. Before at least they were slowing down to stop at the stop signs, so we have some issues there. So yes, we are looking at possibly an underpass at Stadium Road and Warren as an option. It creates some other issues, we would have to block off a portion of Warren Street just south of Stadium between the exit because you are going to need quite a bit of area to make it accessible in order to get the grade of the incline or decline. That would also require us to do something traffic wise with the houses that are out past the baseball outfield, those people would need to be egressed. That creates some issues there as well. We have also talked to the city of Mankato about an overpass from the Gage area to the sunken parking lot. The elevation works better there because as the road is sunken down you can build something across that is at level to the ground on both sides so it is easier to access. Those are something we look at as far as joint payment in the streets around here. We own those streets so we have to pay for those things. The idea that the city would do something by the residential hall, that is our responsibility as we own the roads.

Sexual Violence Education Coordinator-Lindsay Gullingsrud

I have compiled information on the program and on what I have been doing since the position was made full time, which was August 14.

I have separated all the things I have done into direct visits that I have provided to students.

And then programs that have actually been completed and programs that are in the works.

Since becoming full time I have seen 9 primary victims that sought out services from the SVEC, and 9 secondary victims. Secondary victims are partners; friends, concerned others that have come in and said they don't know how to help or what to do, can you help me?

I have also seen people that were actual victims. 3 were on campus assaults, 6 were off campus. All victims were female.

In terms of the different types of services I have provided you will see it in Support and Advocacy contacts: There were 19 crisis contacts to primary victims which means they needed help immediately, 3 crisis contacts to secondary victims and they could not wait to talk to anyone else. There were 97 contacts with survivors total. They may email me if they are having a rough day, they may be coming to talk about a safety plan that we had created, that also is if I provided additional information and helped them find answers to their questions, that is what the 97 means. I had 6 additional contacts with secondary victims, the 30 is if I had to talk to law

enforcement, security, res life, anyone for advocacy with other campus departments/off campus resources. When a victim comes to me and has questions they don't feel comfortable asking themselves or when they don't know where to find the answer, sometimes I don't know where to find the answer either, I will offer to make calls and relieve some of the stress for them. That is where the 30 comes from. Of course I also make sure I have referrals for them so they have all the resources they need. I had 35 referrals. Other support contacts- 2 victims of domestic violence, 1 victim of stalking. I have seen a total of 12 students that have been a victim at some point.

In addition to support services I also provide Education/Prevention Services: The SVEC has provided services to a total of 28 students interested in understanding potential services, education on sexual violence, and an understanding on prevention methods. All students sought out direct contact with the SVEC on an individual basis.

Completed Programs: Orientation Peer Advisor Training, Residential Life Graduate Training, Residential Life CA Training, CA Res Fair, Welcome Week Passport Event, Stop it Now, Gustavus Adolphus College CA training and Can I Kiss You, well over 700 students attended this event. We did a pledge card at the end of this event where students could pledge what they could do to end violence. We did our first self-defense workshop this weekend. The students that attended that felt very empowered and felt this should be done on a regular basis around campus.

Additional Outreach Methods: All Greek Meeting, Festival MSU, MSU Resource Fair, Diversity Picnic, Attended Family Violence class in Sociology Dept., Tabling in the CSU, Table tents during summer orientation. SVEC is currently collaborating with Residential Life for monthly bulletin board kits addressing violence for Res Halls.

Future Programs: Family Violence Awareness Conference, White Ribbon Campaign, Professional Development Day, Peer Education group, Women's Group, Vagina Monologues, Sexual Assault Awareness Month, Take Back the Night, Develop a First Response Committee. We are working to update our website and add office hours/location, and provide all information on the web. We had our first meeting with our Integrated Marketing Team here on our campus to really have an effective way to market this program to all students. I have been really busy. President Afolayan-I am quite impressed with your very comprehensive report. I was wondering about the resources or how is Blue Earth County contributing?

Ms. Gullingsrud-The First Response with the Blue Earth Provider is a service in the first 72 hours, that is crucial time where her role is let them victims know about the examine which takes place. What she does is, it hasn't really changed that much, if there is an assault on campus, within 72 hours they automatically call security, law enforcement and an advocate from BEC. They are still doing that, that is their vital role. We collaborate and continue to provide support with each other.

My role is to make sure that when someone comes to me they are getting all the resources possible. Assault victims may need law enforcement, I make sure that if it is allowed I refer them to Jamie. We have a system, if the student gives me permission, I talk to her and we collaborate that way. Basically, I am on campus and she is the network around.

Senator Giese-This is great-I am curious though, is there a lot of support on campus of your services being requested? Are they collaborating with you?

Ms. Gullingsrud-From what I have seen is tremendous support. As I am creating curriculum for education, I am looking to my colleagues as to how they have done training and they have been very supportive as well. All around it has been great.

Senator Sands-Does Security have to go through training?

Ms.Gullingsrud-I do know Carol Jensen does do training, I do not know how much is related to sexual violence or how intensive it is.

Approval of Minutes 10-11-06 Minutes stand approved

Officer Reports

President Gabe Afolayan

I met with the Inter-Faculty Organization President Dr. Bohnenblust this past Tuesday. We chatted informally about what the faculty is doing. The faculty had three people volunteer to be on the Homecoming Task Force so they are doing an electronic vote. They are working with the Academic Affairs committee on the textbook problems. The faculty are looking to recommend a new policy pertaining to academics, it is kind of a cheating policy where if students are caught cheating a faculty could say they are going to get a F in the course and then students drop the course before they get the grade so technically they get a W instead of a F. So they are looking at the faculty overriding that so if they caught you for cheating you would not be able to drop the course or get a W. Hopefully, this would not affect too many students. I brought up the point that not all faculty have it in their syllabus that if you are caught cheating you get an F. With varying levels of punishment from various faculty this might prove interesting.

The faculty also received \$300,000 from MnSCU to allocate towards any academic initiative, this is for one time and one year. They are working with Vice President Scott Olson to come up with ways to increase faculty training on critical thinking effectiveness because they think that not a lot of our students have critical thinking skills in their academic curriculum. They would have like a teach-in during winter break where they would have experts on critical thinking come in and do a workshop for faculty to learn about that. Faculty would receive a stipend for showing up so there would be an incentive to getting those skills.

Some of you sat in on President Davenport's lunch this past week. We had a very open conversation, there was no agenda. The topics ranged from Athletics to Res Halls and general issues like that. We are looking into a move to Division I athletics, seeing as a number of schools in our conference are moving out of Division II into Division I. Our conference is quickly becoming non-viable, as we will be down to 6 schools. They are looking at ways of joining another conference or moving to Division I. They are going to get official numbers on how much it would cost to move up and what things will be affected. That will be coming up in the next three months. Also the big news from Chancellor McCormick, the tuition budget request is \$177 million from the Board of Trustees. That also accounts for a \$73 million dollar tuition increase of approximately 4% that President Davenport alluded to last week. So if the numbers are correct for every \$18 million that does not get funded there would be a 1% tuition increase. I think at the last biennium budget we received about \$105 million.

Vice President Frederick-Who is in charge of looking at D-I?

President Afolayan-He didn't actually say who was looking into that. I am sure our representatives from Finance and Administration would be doing that stuff.

Vice President Frederick-Is there a committee students can sit on to give input?

President Afolayan-That I am not aware of. It is really in preliminary stages.

Senator Schilling-What sports would that be for?

President Afolayan-It would be all sports.

Vice President Frederick-Were there preliminary costs on moving to DI?

President Afolayan-Yes, it would require a lot of resources and tuition dollars. President Davenport mentioned in would be a 1-2 %increase in tuition to move to Division I. That is still very vague. They will still come back with official numbers.

Senator Giese-Were there any benefits of moving to Division I?

President Afolayan-One advantage is that you can offer more scholarships, but then it was discussed that many of those would be for football and then we will have gender equity issues in making sure there are enough female participants. Otherwise they look at cutting programs on the men's side or decreasing numbers. In terms of increasing the academic profile I don't know of any empirical data, that is only what came up in our discussion.

Vice President Frederick-What is the alternative if we don't go Division I?

President Afolayan-That is a good question. Many of the schools our size, like NDSU have gone Division I. Augustana is looking at moving, St. Cloud is looking. USD is going to go Division I. We would be looking at going into a mid level conference, like the Northern Sun, a lot of those are the size of Moorhead, Bemidji. I don't know about their athletic competition.

Senator Kornowicz-Is there a time line on that?

President Afolayan-I think they are looking at the numbers. I would guess it would have to be in the year so that they can incorporate that into the financial numbers. President Davenport mentioned they want to make sure the students are well informed, as it will affect students. When you think about it a 1 or 2% increase in tuition realize it would be at least \$100.00 a year. Senator Giese-Would teams be traveling by bus or airplane?

President Afolayan-One advantage to joining schools comparable is in the travel. North Dakota State does a lot of travel. Football travels to Washington State. There would be a lot of details like that to work out.

Appointments: SAC-Taylor Sorgatz, Ashley Riviere, Legislative Affairs-Amanda Bertelsen, Aaron Lorenzen, Tech Roundtable-Jon Hurm, Elections Committee-Jenna Ault

Vice President Chris Frederick

MSUSA Conference next weekend. Committees are up and running. Admissions is looking for some senators to do some campus tours tomorrow from 11-12.

Speaker

Recognized Student Organization Initial Recognition: Scandinavian Club, GO Club, Mudworks

Elections will be held next week for two Off-Campus Senator Seats

Wed. Nov 8, 5:30 -7:00 reception at Dr. Davenport's house.

We will no longer be accepting reports past 12:00 noon on Wednesday's.

Coordinator Reports

Academic Affairs-Kristeen Giese

I have been working with setting up meetings with IFO President Steve Bohnenblust, he was very receptive. The faculty seem very concerned about textbooks and tuition and the upcoming policy regarding cheating. We will be meeting with him again in two weeks. We will also be meeting with Brenda Flannery regarding the +- system. It was interesting listening to the President talk about Division I and concerns with safety as well as concerns with the community in traffic and pedestrian issues.

Committee Reports

Union Board-Jason Schilling, Chair

- Union board reached a decision not to bring in Quizno's this morning and stay with Stacks.
- Quizno's wanted \$300,000 in sales per year or they could opt out- 193 sandwiches per day
- 3 consecutive months of reporting a loss- they can opt out
- Exclusive Sandwich rights in the CSU
- 5% commission compared to 10% at Stacks

Survey Results

- 70% would eat at the CSU more if hours were extended.
- 4.3% said CSU is fine the way it is.
- Downstairs Restaurants are open until 10 PM
- Freshens, Jazzman's, The Grill are open until Midnight
- Taco Bell only until 5. We will look into keeping that open later.

A member of the Student Union Board will be sitting on the Integrated Marketing.

We will be looking into Chinese food and alternating other options.

Senator Sands-Did they look at any other sandwich place, people don't like Stacks, the bread is too hard, no vegetables and it is expensive for what you are getting. Everyone likes Subway, can't we get that?

Senator Schilling- There was a Subway years ago, they did not do well and they won't come back. Stacks will expand.

Senator Sands-What about an actual sandwich, are they going to increase that or leave it the same.

Senator Okoye-Who filled out the survey, random students?

Senator Schilling-There were students from the CSU, Faculty and the dormitories.

Vice President Frederick-Is it true Stacks will be expanding the menu and baking their own bread?

Senator Schilling-Yes. Those are very true statements. They will be expanding and baking fresh bread.

Vice President Frederick-How soon can we expect to see changes?

Senator Schilling-They will be enacted next semester.

Senator Jennings-Was there any discussion about a salad bar?

Senator Schilling-I actually asked about that and they said that the cost would be too high and they can't change it.

Senator Trosvik-Did you ask about the costs on some sandwiches like a grilled cheese sandwich which is only two slices of bread and a piece of cheese?

Senator Schilling-We did ask and that is about as much as we can do for now.

Senator Reports

Science, Engineering & Technology-Oliver Okoye

I asked a couple of students on campus randomly what they thought about having the grading policy changed. Most of them said they would be against the idea. The grading system presently is the best. The grading system should be as simple as possible. The addition of negative and positive will be too complicated. It will be in the best interest of students for the grading system to be left the way it is because some students that I talked to said that most Masters degree university/colleges do not allow C- so students who barely pass a class, might get a C- as a grade and that will mean retaking the class.

I was very concerned and I felt very bad about the removal of Interior Design from Minnesota State University. So I decided to speak with Angie Bomier (Student Relations Coordinator for the College of Science, Engineering and Technology). The classes that Interior Design students take are usually art classes, so they should be in the College of Arts and Humanities and not in the College of Science, Engineering and Technology. It was being considered if Interior Design would be transferred to Arts and Humanities or Allied Health & Nursing College. But due to insufficient funds these colleges are not willing to accept Interior Design. Accepting this major will mean providing resources for this major. The state has not been providing sufficient funds and this has led to an increase in tuition & fees in the last couple of years.

President Afolayan-How much information have Interior Design students received from past Interior Design students in regard to this issue?

Senator Okoye-The program was suspended in 2005. Most of the students are in their Junior or Senior year and they will continue their classes.

Crawford Hall-Kathryn Pase

Evan and I met with Cindy Janney, Director of Res Life for the second time yesterday to discuss room rates for next year. The last two meetings were just to go over the budget from FY '06 and the projections for FY'07 in order to help us understand what we're looking at when we start putting together the recommendations for FY '08. A couple of interesting things that came to my attention, one, she refused to allow us to keep copies of the budget to look over, because she was afraid that that we would lose the sheets and they would fall into the wrong hands and be misinterpreted. However, anyone is invited to the rates meetings and she would be happy to meet with anyone interested and go over the budgets. Two, the university signed a contract to switch all the phones on campus to Voice over iP. This has lowered the rates for the phone lines on campus, but raised the rates for students in the Res Halls, without students actually being able to use the VoiP phone lines in their rooms. We also raised concerns about the cafeteria situation with the Julia Sears Res Hall and Cindy didn't really give us any answers, but would be happy to come in and talk to Senate about it and answer any questions we may have.

Vice President Frederick-Why were you not able to keep the budget sheets?

Senator Pase-She felt we would lose them and they might end up with the wrong people.

New Business

M#10.18.06A Senator Anderson/Senator Okoye

Whereas:	It is important that all students have access to technology resources on campus
Whereas:	The MSSA also recognizes the need for student fees to be spent in an efficient manner
Be it Resolved:	The MSSA recommends that the Student Union Board examine the costs and benefits of having a portion of the Centennial Student Union open for students to use computers 24 hours a day.

Senator Anderson-Right now they are open from 6:00 AM until 2:00 AM. Some students are concerned that it is not open 24 hours a day. We would like to see how much it would cost and how many students would actually use it. We feel the Student Union Board is the best place to take this tjo .

Senator Okoye-Yesterday students were working on papers and tests. They have to leave at 2:00 AM and they asked me if there was some where else on campus they could go. They would like to stay until 4:00 or later when they get their papers done. Many students work on their papers over night.

Senator Schilling-My concern is why they don't go to their houses.

President Afolayan-Some students don't have computers or internet or printing. This motion just says to look at the costs and benefits.

Senator Giese-Sometimes students need to work in groups and maybe can not do that at their residence because of roommates etc.

Motion Passes

M#10.18.06B Senator Jennings/Senator Anderson

Whereas:	The Senate recognizes the potential academic benefit from having wind power on campus.
Whereas:	The Senate recognizes the potential economic benefit of having wind power on campus.
Whereas:	The Senate wishes to encourage proactive students on campus.
Whereas:	The university wishes to also look to invest in off-campus renewable resources.
Be it Resolved:	The Student Senate wishes to express our approval for the further development of wind power on campus through increased research into the issue and it's potential feasibility

Senator Jennings-This says we support the idea of researching this on campus.

Senator Anderson-We had a great presentation last week and this just says, as students we see the benefits and think we should do further development.

Senator Fleck-Could we amend the motion to include the investment of off-campus energy as well?

Speaker-You want to amend the motion?

Senator Fleck-Whereas: The university wishes to look into off campus renewable resources

Senator Schilling-I don't think we want to look more into off-campus, more on-campus

if anything.

Senator Anderson-We should be open to both on-campus and off-campus

Senator Fleck-This is not to limit us to just supporting this on-campus.

Motion Passes

M#10-18-06 C Senator Trosvik/Senator Sands

Whereas:	TCF Banks two year contract is up for renewal
Whereas:	There are many concerns regarding banking on campus
Be it Resolved:	That the MSSA Student Affairs Committee will look into concerns about banking on campus.

Senator Trosvik-People do have some concerns and this is an appropriate place to look into this.

Senator Sands-Basically, I would like to look at other options.

President Afolayan-It would be better to amend this to say how Student Affairs could get such information. That would make this more useful.

Senator Giese-Whereas the Vice President of Finance and Administration is working on this, is there a way that we contact them and get information?

Senator Giese-It makes sense to me that we work with someone that is already working on this, they have resources and information that we do not have.

Amendment passes

M#10.18.06 C Senator Trosvik/Senator Sands

Whereas:	TCF Bank's two year contract is up for renewal
Whereas:	There are many concerns regarding banking on campus
Be it Resolved:	That the MSSA Student Affairs Committee through coordination with the Vice President of Finance and Administration will look into concerns about banking on campus.

Senator Schilling-TCF has invested a lot into MSU, I don't think we should look into other options. TCF is an essential bank in this city. There are five locations.

Vice President Frederick-I have heard that there are other banks that have invested in our school as well.

Senator Trosvik-With all due respect to TCF, this is about our students.

Senator Pase-They are not that big of a bank. It is kind of a pain to have to go off campus to try to move money.

Senator Anderson-Looking at other options is always good.

Senator Giese-This does not mean TCF is going to get thrown out.

Senator Ischkin-I am International and I have had no problems.

Senator Sands-I have had great problems. They opened two accounts under one name and I had problems finding out where my money was. It took me two days to get it figured out. That is my money. There are customer service problems.

President Afolayan-This does not say we are endorsing, this just says it is our option of looking into it.

Motion Failed

Announcements

Senator Carmody-Tours tomorrow, Admission really needs our help, this is a great way of letting people know who we are.

Senator Anderson-Leg Affairs-Tomorrow 3-4.

Vice President Frederick-Wear your shirts tomorrow and Friday if you are doing a tour.
Katie Ischkin-Cultural Diversity will meet Thursday at 3:30 in the Senate office.
Senator Schilling-Game room Grand ReOpening next Wed. Free food, pool, and bowling.
Senator Hurm-No Student Affairs tonight. We will meet next week. Get the information you are researching to me tonight.
Senator Giese-Academic Affairs senator watch for updates on next meeting
Senator Fleck-Kessel Peace Speaker tonight. CSU 253
President Afolayan-Planning Sub Meet & Confer, we need a representative.
We have vacancies in two off campus seats, tell your constituents to apply.
Senator Giese-Love your body Day.

Roll Call

Senators Present

Jessica Kallio, Casey Carmody, Brett Fleck, Nikki Hanna, Brandon Ross, Jenna Ault, Katie Ischkin, Kristeen Giese, Oliver Okoye, Kenneth Willaert, Nolan Chenevert, Peter Jennings Marianne Reilly, Ryan Anderson, Kathryn Pase, Evan Trosvik, Jennifer Hansen, Jon Sands, Allan Gould, Jon Hurm, Jason schilling, Caroline Kornowicz, Aaron Lorenzen

Senators Absent

Jessica Nelson, Amanda Bertelsen, Ryan Christensen

Executive Staff Present

President Afolayan, Vice President Frederick

Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 5:45 P.M.