

7th MSSA Senate
November 18, 2009

77th Senate called to order by 77th Speaker Tom Williams

Roll Call(present, absent, proxy, excused)

Jennifer Dooley 14-0-0, Brett Anderson 14-0-0, Chris Kaufman 13-0-0-1, Alexi Roskom 8-0-0, Jayme Pretzloff 12-0-0-1, Alyssa Ries 11-2-0, Dan Kromer 7-0-0, Connie Johnson 2-0-0, Jacob Severson 7-1-0, Sarah Koenen 6-0-0, Meagan Hertzog 11-3-0, Dave Meyers 13-1-0, Luz del Carmen Pimentel-Avila 13-1-0, Jesse Stamm 8-0-0, Jennifer Crane 12-0-0-2, Abdihakim Abdi 11-0-0, Michael Cooper 10-3-0, Matthew Johnson 12-2-0, Abby Knott 14-0-0, Amanda Lebens 13-0-0, Shankar Reddy 11-3-0, Sarah Revering 9-0-0-1, Martin Olson 7-1-0, Ricardo Lopez 11-0-0, President Rajabali 14-0-0, Vice President Dooley 14-0-0

Open Forum

IMPACT-Cathryn Debates, Sara DeBoer

Events-planning & budgeting. Stomper Cinema, Homecoming, Concerts. How much does it cost per student to put these events on? 8,154 students attended events fall semester . \$16,265.23 was spent on events-equals \$1.99 per student per event. IMPACT is great at out sourcing. There were 250 volunteers for ten Homecoming events alone. This includes international students, our street team, board members and other organizations on campus. We had many collaborations and we are constantly networking. If we had to pay for that help it would cost roughly \$10.00 per hour. During homecoming we would have had to pay over \$125,000.00. We foster leadership within our organization. We have some of the top leaders on campus. We attend conferences on a regular basis. President Megan Gable presented at the regional APY on Homecoming programming. Vice President Cati Debates presented in Pittsburg, PA this past summer, Stompers Cinema Chair presented at the regional NAPA Conference on how to run a successful film series on a college campus, five of our board members have applied to present at the regional NAPA Conference, currently 2 IMPACT students are using their role as an internship opportunity. We were also just told that in collaboration with the Student Union, we will host the Association of College Unions International in the fall of 2010. Over 100 participants will be visiting our campus. IMPACT will probably be the programmers and very involved with that.

Senator Cooper-Was your budget adequate?

Ms. Debates-Yes, we are using the budget to the best of our abilities.

Latino Center-Juan Munoz

Mr. Munoz-The motion regarding the Latino Center-the fact that it passed with all the Be It Resolved is what bothered me. I know this is an opinion and discussing opinions in senate is what we want to do. we know it was passed with no nays and one abstention. It should have been discussed a lot further. The biggest Be it Resolved that concerned me was that no student fees should be involved in creating the Latino Center. What came to mind was the LGBT Center and the Women's Center. By denying us we would be held to a double standard which would be unacceptable anywhere in the CSU and this system. I think that should have been brought up and discussed and maybe taken off. It was an opinion. The last two resolutions pretty much prevented us from being on the first floor of the Student Union and taking up lounge space. What I ask you is to not do express your opinions but to remain open to the possibility of it being on the first floor. I am open to it being anywhere in the Student Union but the first floor is the best option. No one has presented a better option for a center. I ask you to open discussion on the first floor. I would like to have thought this would come through your Diversity Committee and I was informed it was not. That is what they are for, to amass opinions from outside, not something just confined to one room. You should use your committees and constituents and discuss things further. Other groups are not held to these same standards.

Vice President Dooley-That motion did not go to the Diversity Committee because it was in regard to location not diversity, so wouldn't you agree the motion should go to the Union Board as opposed to the Diversity Committee?

Mr. Munoz-The placement is important because downstairs would make it very visible. The Diversity Committee would be important because they want their students to be seen. Upstairs-it does not create visibility.

President Rajabali-Why do you feel the Latino Center is meant for Latino's and should be so visible?

Mr. Munoz-I was looking for diversity when I came here. It took me a month to find where the office was because it is a little confusing. It was just an office and I passed by it. I knew where the International Center was. It did not catch our eye and so I did not remember where it was.

President Rajabali-We represent 15,000 students, the Latino population represent 300 some students. We are on the second floor.

Mr. Munoz-You have an amazing space. I think it would help with retention rates on the first floor. It would entice the 38 % of all Latinos in Minnesota that will come of age in the next few years to go to school here. It would be attractive and have windows and wall space. It would be in view of the Veterans Center and the LGBT Center.

Senator Stamm-The Last further be it Resolved, the MSSA talks about the Latino Center not becoming its own entity, do you agree with that?

Mr. Munoz-The LGBT Center is a perfect example of what we would like to stand for. They are under Institutional Diversity. Their budget is over 50% more than ours. The Multicultural Office now does not promote integration between multicultural students. It does not promote the Latino Center being part of the campus.

Senator Kromer-Obviously the first floor is what every group wants on campus. What benefits do you see for the Latino Center having to be placed there?

Mr. Munoz-This is for a demographic, it is for families. It would house the Plaza Comunitaria. It would not take funds from MSU students. It would be funded by the Mexican Government and private donors. It would attract families. The first floor of the Student Union would be more open and inviting for families. That is not the same for all multicultural groups. We have different needs. You cannot make broad sweeping assumptions about different diverse groups as the *Reporter* has made in articles.

Senator Anderson-We have thought about this a lot. Last year we allocated \$4.1 million in student fees. Say-you have come forward and want a Latino Center, say the American Indian students come forward and they want a center, the African American students want a center. Where would you say we put those? At what point should students pay for that and how high should our fee increase go?

Mr. Munoz-I am assuming student activity fees come from my tuition. I would also look at the different diverse groups and what their needs are. I know the Latinos in Minnesota are first generation. I am the only one in my family that is actually a US citizen. My entire family has gone through the legal processes. If you take each demographic maybe they do each need a center. You have to take it case by case and again not make assumptions that everyone needs a center. Maybe everyone does not need or want one. As far as student activity fees, I know the Latino Center gets \$6,300.00 which is really nothing. We work really hard with what little we have. I am not saying we need a lot of money but I think it should be analyzed on a case by case basis.

Senator Anderson-What defines case by case?

Mr. Munoz-You discuss and decide maybe there is a need for the Africans for example. A lot of us are going into the workforce uneducated and under paid. I am trying to get a Latino Center not only for myself but for my family. I think that is what the Latino Center is for-families.

Senator Roskom-You are saying the first floor would be for families. The CSU is for students and resources for students. Do you believe visibility is important even though it is reaching out to a different group than what the Student Union is supposed to be used for?

Mr. Munoz-Latino students, a big part of us is our family. To say that the Latino Center is for family feels better. I think cutting us off from family is a big part of why many of us do not stay in school. This would give them a place to feel connected. Our director is like a second mother. She advises us and guides us through school which is something my mother could not do. She does not know what the system is like or how to apply for scholarships.

Senator Roskom-All students go through that struggle and face similar problems. You are saying the resources need to be visible, all other students on campus need to search out these resources.

Mr. Munoz-Again I go back to a large majority of us are first generation, we have a higher rate of first year students. My family does not know these resources are available much less know how to look for them. The Latino Center has resources and personnel that can inform you and point you in the right direction. I applied for scholarships because I found out the resources were available. You need money to go to college. Our need is important. 5 years ago I did not know any of this.

Vice President Dooley-Last week a number of students came in from Student Activities that were worried about losing their offices. Do you feel that it is fair that if you do go downstairs that there is a chance that you will be taking one of the offices that does exist?

Mr. Munoz-I spoke to the Director of Greek Life and I said we did not want to take anyone's space. This is not about me gaining space or anyone losing space. There is a possibility of offices being taken over. If space is relocated I would be in favor of that. The only way this will be resolved is to actually see plans and the construction budget. In my mind there is space available; other people see it as a corridor.

Senator Anderson-The resources that you need and are talking about, they are not being given in the current location?

Mr. Munoz-The resources are available. The only people that know where the resources are is the Director and her graduate assistant, which is all she has. The work station is the size of this podium. Students are not allowed to sit there and hang out. It is for incoming students and visitors. The Latino Center is literally an office and bookcase.

Senator Anderson-Do other groups experience the same issues you have because if they do than again this is where we are stuck. What about all the other groups in there outside of Latino students?

Why are they not going to be given the resources that you will be given?

Mr. Munoz- I am not an expert on Asian Affairs or American Indian Affairs. I have talked to other students. I don't say I don't want you to have resources. I just know what I went through.

Senator Crane-Visibility, how big do you see the space being?

Mr. Munoz-The Director of Latino Affairs submitted a single proposal, an office for herself, an assistant, graduate assistant and space to display resources and a work station for 5 or 6 computers.

Senator Stamm-The Multicultural Center, what would you think of that as an expansion including the Latino Center?

Mr. Munoz-Actually, I don't object to a large Multicultural Center. What I am objecting to is assuming integration does happen between us. I rarely see white students in the Multicultural Office. I see them in the Intercultural Office. We see the Latino Center as a Latino Center not a Multicultural Center.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Recognized Student Organizations Sigma Chi

Appointments Student Conduct Board-Ashley Minshall, Parking Advisory-Kyle Engdahl

Student Allocations Committee Recommendations

M#11.16.09A MSU Handball Club

Student Allocation Committee recommends allocating up to \$1500.00 to MSU Handball Club to attend the United State Handball Association Collegiate Handball Tournament in Houston, TX.
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Approval of Minutes 11.11.2009

Presentation-RHA President Adam Bartz

(Presentation of 2010-2011 Proposed Room and Board Rates) (see file copy)

Last week Director Janney gave you an overall of the room rates consultation. I am handing out a draft ballot that will be given to all the RHA members. All the increases that Res Life proposes are on the ballot and it is broken down into three sections, Basic Room Types, Renovated Room Types and Julia Sears. Room rates and meal plans are all together. It is not separated out. There is also a proposal for increasing flex dollars. Students will vote on the base rate and the increase in flex dollars, the newspaper program is 50/50. We have had good discussion on whether or not the newspaper should be kept or not. I believe they will keep the promotional item of \$3.00. We discussed the elimination of the land-lines or wireless internet. I believe most students will want the wireless internet. Increasing dining hours comes up every year. Once students see the numbers they probably will not accept it. Fully Compostable "To Go" meal packaging probably will not go through and be added to the base rates. I am not sure about Trayless Tuesdays whether it will go or stay. I believe the guest meal passes will pass. It is something that many people want.

Senator Cooper-You can add flex dollars anytime you want, correct? Why would we want to force students to add flex dollars and increase their rate they can only spend on campus?

Mr. Bartz-Most students are unaware that they can add flex dollars, based on statistics that dining services has given us we would like to add this then they would not have to go buy them.

Senator Meyers-Are you aware that over a few days of tabling that over 10% of the student body would like to keep Trayless Tuesday and even expand it?

Mr. Bartz-I have not been given that information. That is being done by Students for Sustainability and I do not know the results.

Vice President Dooley-Maverick 160-with guest passes would that be 164?

Mr. Bartz-You are not deducting from your meals it is just that guest passes would be attached.

Senator Johnson-When you came up with this you came up with 3 plans-can students get many different options, maybe a customized meal plan?

Mr. Bartz-I don't know, I can ask Director Janney about that.

Senator Stamm-With Trayless Tuesdays-I noticed I took more food on other days. I support HBO.

Mr. Bartz-Trayless Tuesdays-it comes down to convenience, some students would rather have convenience than savings.

Senator Stamm-If you eliminated the water costs, maybe we could get the biodegradable to go boxes.

Mr. Bartz-There is not all that much trash that MSU generates that goes into a landfill. The amount of trash that gets used as fuel will stay the same, the amount going to the landfill will stay the same.

Senator Dooley-If you do not use your passes would you lose them?

Mr. Bartz -It could be like flex and roll over. The kinks have not been worked out.

President Rajabali-How was representation in regard to the design of the ballot?

Mr. Bartz-Before the presentation we asked the student representatives to go back to their floors and ask the residents what options they would like to see in the Res Halls. Then it was brought back and we complied what they wanted and did research on the cost of implementation such as the Wireless Network and how much it would cost to implement it. We then put options on the ballot. That is how the items on the ballot came to be.

President Rajabali-Do you get a lot of feedback when you send the representatives out or is it just a few?

Mr. Bartz-I would say 1/3 of residents spoke out. I believe it is a good representation.

Senator Lopez-I live in Gage and I was not informed of any of this, was it a requirement or a suggestion?

Mr. Bartz-A little of both-CA's were to hold a meeting or in some way talk to their floors.

Senator Kromer-Trayless Tuesdays-if it is eliminated wouldn't student complaints become less because it is the only option?

Mr. Bartz-There have been fewer complaints, if trays were dropped all together they would complain more on the food itself.

Senator Lopez-Today there were students tabling in the Res Hall asking support on going Trayless. Will it be taken into consideration?

Mr. Bartz-The President of Students for Sustainability is coming to the general assembly, but I don't know if he will be speaking to this.

Officer Reports

President Murtaza Rajabali

Meet & Confer-MSU has received a major grant from the Bush Foundation thanks to Dean Miller from the College of Education.

Policy Review meeting today-The following policies are being revised: Conflicts with Significant Financial Interests as related to Grants and Sponsored Program, Maximum Credit Registration Limits, Weapons and Firearms, Crime Reporting Requirements, University Provided Clothing, Election and Campaign Guidelines, Heating and Ventilation. These policies are being revised according to a cycle. New policies being considered: Minors on Campus, Emergency Notification, Missing Students, English Placement, Current policies presented for elimination: Receiving & Delivery Services, we think this is something a department should figure out. Some policies are repetition. We will be reviewing these policies in the future. Deadline for response is Dec. 10.

Census-we will be working with the City of Mankato officials. The first meeting is Dec. 2.

Vice President Bob Dooley

MSUSA was interesting. We passed some good things and shot down some things.

I attended Enrollment Mgmt and Retention today. We talked about school pride and how it affects retention. We brainstormed on ways to increase student pride in small ways like t shirts, bumper stickers. We are going to ask for strategic funds for that project.

I met with Dr. Ross today. He is the Director for Excellence in Teaching and Learning. We discussed starting a program where students will advise faculty on how to be a better teacher. Faculty would request a student advisor. It would be confidential. Students would sit in on a class and then meet with the teacher and discuss what they thought they do well or what they could do better. They would also report what the students are doing, like if they are on facebook. It would be a paid position. There is no school in MnSCU that does this. Schools that are doing this have had a lot of success. He wants to work with us on how we pick the people and how we want it to work. We will help make a task force and try to get this going next semester.

Service learning, Dr. Ross would like us to provide students for a committee and to look into courses that do offer service learning in their curriculum. They have hired a GA to make a video to promote service learning to other faculty.

Senator Pimentel-Avila-Would the professors volunteer to be in the program?

Vice President Dooley-No, the faculty would request a student advisor so it would help them prepare for the students of the future.

Senator Kaufman-This would be a pilot program and then hopefully a program next year?

Vice President Dooley-They have been planning on this for a while. They currently have peer faculty consultation. This would be student/faculty consultation.

Senator Olson-Would you be a third party just sitting in or in the class?

Vice President Dooley-No, you could not be in the class. You would go roughly 3 times a year. You would offer unbiased perspective to the faculty and get paid for it. The goal is to get applications out right away and train before the semester starts.

Speaker Thomas Williams

Due to short week-one office hour required next week.

Senator Reports

Science, Engineering & Technology-Sarah Koenen

This past Friday, I went to the Cisco company suite in Bloomington to attend a demo of a new TelePresence Communication System with the MNSU Learning Technology Roundtable. We were set up in one of the new TelePresence rooms. This room had chairs around a semicircle table with built in microphones. In the front of the room were three cameras and three large TVs side by side. We virtually met with several people from various places from all over the country. The technology and room setup was almost transparent as we met with these.

When the technology turns on the 3 screens complete the circular table. At one point I believe we had someone from Madison on the left and right screens and someone from Chicago in the middle screen but we all appeared to be in the same room. The TelePresence system allows interaction of people all around the globe in real time in lifelike proportions, almost eliminating the need for true face-to-face interaction. The realistic sound, sizing, eye contact, lighting, and more were all factors that led to this. Madison Area Technical College has already integrated the TelePresence into classrooms. Professors can teach from distant locations and students can feel as though they are in the same room. Professors can also place power points, other camera views, overhead projections (whatever they want) onto the other 2 screens or on additional screens.

I believe that this type of technology will be the future of the businesses and education, and that MNSU has great potential use for this system. With increased online and distant enrollment, professors could use this technology to allow more distant learners into the classroom such as students from 7700 France or anywhere in the world. Also it would be very easy to bring in experts and guest speakers without having to pay travel expenses. In addition to distant teaching, other opportunities include attending international meetings and seminars without leaving campus and savings on travel for people to go to distant meetings, interviews, seminars etc. Another possibility is that MNSU could rent out the rooms to interested businesses.

Senator Kaufman-How would this benefit students?

Senator Koenen-They would not have to come to campus and they would feel like they were in the classroom.

Senator Kaufman-Did you know this costs well over \$250,000?

President Rajabali-Does this need a really fast connection?

Senator Kaufman-Our school bandwidth can support this.

Senator Koenen-7700 France would need an upgrade if they wanted the system.

College of Business-Jayme Pretzloff

- College of Business
 - Survey
 - Brett will be e-mailing the final draft of questions to Pat Connolly and Linda Anglin tonight
 - Assuming there will be several meetings following
 - I look forward to hearing feedback from AA committee and their fearless leader Mr. Brett Anderson (the second best Anderson to grace the Senate)
 - Marilyn Fox
 - Meeting had to be re-scheduled
 - I will be speaking to her as a graduating student to give input on capstone classes
 - Talk about Laptop Policy
 - Get her feedback on a variety of COB issues
 - I'm glad that there has been some headway made on the laptop policy prior to my departure and I know positive change will be seen
- Student Union Board
 - Busy semester so far... very exciting time
 - LGBT/Veteran's Center
 - Saw the space
 - Found ways to preserve lounge space and computer bays
 - **Draw diagram*??*
 - Dining Services Sustainability
 - Presented their sustainability report
 - Potential change to eco-friendly containers and utensils (Spudware, Biomass Eco-container)
 - Potential projected increase 10 cents?
 - Will be discussing it further on Friday
 - Latino Center
 - Motion to support the initiative, but still have questions
 - How big does it need to be? (sq/ft)
 - What kinds of activities in the space?
 - Target population?
 - How the space will be marketed?
 - Where will money come from?
 - Need to be in CSU?
 - Goes to Provost
 - Prospectus
 - In line with motion that Senate passed
 - Meditation Center
 - Voted to move forward and look into this
 - Blue space, pocket lounge across from the foot wash
 - Design
 - Minimal cost, easy construction
 - Goes to Provost and Cabinet for legal ramifications
 - Replacement for Student Union Board—interested?
 - Spring semester Chair- Alexi Roskom

Allied Health & Nursing-Jennifer Dooley

1) I met with Dr. Conlon, who is the head of Family Consumer Science

A) Strengths

- a. Their focus is on the student and they try to support them every way possible
- b. Work through success and problems
- c. Advising is a little stronger than in other department
- d. We have the most successful FCS Department in the state

B) Weakness

- a. FCS majors or minors is not really known-it has gotten better within the past couple of years
 - i. FCS feels that their minors could tie in with a lot of majors, but students just realize the connection
 - ii. Unaware of specialization within the major of FCS
 - iii. Marketing for FCS has gotten bigger
 - iv. RSO club are really involved and do a job getting our department known
- b. Wishes they were closer with other colleges on campus
 - i. Close with other department with in college
 - ii. Feels like the location of the department has a lot to do with the separation

C) Faculty and budget cuts

- a. Going in with the attitude that it will affect them
- b. FCS is a very cost effective department
- c. Already combined sections and looking to combine more
- d. Trying to offer classes at a more convenient time for student-increase enrollment
- e. Debating charging a fee for the food labs-\$20 per semester- needs students opinion

D) New things

- a) Hiring a new Faculty to replace Dr. Young
- b) Adding a consumerism major
- c) Considering changing the major name "Family Life and Child Development" to "Child and Family Studies"
- d) Do a marketing campaign for FCS-if budget allows (looking for ideas)
- e) Bring a speaker to campus- benefit the community are well

Science, Engineering & Technology-Jacob Severson

This week I met with David Schrader, the coordinator of the Veterans Center. He didn't have any of the information regarding the specific plans or funding for the new Veterans Center, but we dug into its uses and more general information.

About the center

- The Veterans Resource Center is on its 4th year of operation
- Every school in the MnSCU system must have a space designated for veterans
- MNSU currently is in the top 3 for most veterans enrolled in Minnesota
- Our program started in August of 2007, but have only had their current space since August of 2009. Before that was created, it was run out of Mr. Schrader's office.

Veterans Center Usage

- The main use that Mr. Schrader emphasized was peer support among veterans. Other programs have tried to connect veterans to each other before but the center currently has produced great results.

- Uses Include: Conversation/peer support, assistance with benefits, medical/personal issues, campus issues, community issues, and other issues
- The center is not restricted only to veterans, the support also covers current military members, family of past/current members, and others seeking resources.
- The average amount of visits per month has increased 163% since their current space has been built

Off-Campus-Martin Olson

Political Science and Law Enforcement Chair Joseph Kunkel

Political Science:

- Pros:** 1) They get a lot of students that take their classes for their generals
 2) Very rounded program undergrad, grad and masters programs are very strong.
 3) Public Administration Masters at 7700 France Ave.

Cons: 1) Had a professor retire from the Public Administration Masters. They had to hire someone on a year to year contract. Not sure if they will receive the funds to hire new professor.

2) Claims there is a larger market for the Public Administration Master if there were more professors available.

3) In Political Science they have had to ask professors to teach classes that the university wanted them to teach, not the courses the professor would like, though they have been very accommodating.

Law Enforcement:

- Pros:** 1) About 500 students.
 2) Four year Law Enforcement program

Cons: 1) Full time professor quit two years ago they conducted a search last year but had to call it off because of budget constraints, forced to hire adjunct.

2) Have a professor retiring this year and not sure what they can do about it yet.

3) Law Enforcement faculty have the highest advising load

4) LE professors are difficult to hire because they are looking for someone with a doctorate and field experience. These people are in high demand.

Dr. Kunkel wanted me to discuss the Public Achievement/partnership between the Social Studies and Political Science Department. The program's students go to Dakota Meadows Middle School to help students learn about the democratic process. This program is in jeopardy next year because of the cut to the budget. He feels this is important to the universities mission statement.

College of Education-Dan Kromer

For my assignment this week I met with Dean Mike Miller from the College of Education. We discussed issues both that the college is facing and the students within the college.

Obviously the biggest issue the college is facing is budget related. So far two faculty and one staff member has been cut, and two have retired. They are anticipating more cuts in the future.

I learned that the College of Education houses the Teaching Program, the Educational Counseling Program, the Principal and Administrator Program, Aviation, and the Military Sciences Program.

In regards to cuts, the Teaching Program just received the Bush Initiative Grant which should not only make up for the cuts to it, but could expand resources a small amount. This would allow for more experienced based education, which is a very important thing in my humble opinion.

The Military Sciences Program is militarily funded so the cuts also do not affect that portion much. The problems come in the Aviation program, where Dean Miller is working very hard to move things around. The program is a two part program, in my understanding. First is the flight school, which could soon be moved to South Central College. The second part is a decision between a more management oriented program for running airports and the like, or science and technology which concentrates more on

the science and technology portion of aviation. The programs could be moved into the Colleges of Business and Science Engineering and Technology, respectively.

What this all means for the students is a slightly more confusing way through the Aviation program, but it will remain viable. As mentioned before the Military Sciences will remain basically unchanged, and the teaching programs will be involved in a more experience based education.

Off-Campus-Michael Cooper (written report)

Last week I met with Director of Off campus Housing and we talked about the issues facing students living off campus. We spent a good deal of time talking about land lord issues such as mechanics issues and lease agreements and the poor security in some complexes. We also talked about neighbor relations for students that live in houses. We talked about how students are invited to the National Night Out for the local neighborhoods.

Crawford Hall-Luz del Carmen Pimentel-Avila

As a member of the Asian Pacific American Conference Committee I have been attending the preliminary meetings leading to the conference this Spring 2010.

The Asian Pacific American Conference is very young. It was founded in 2004 as the need for an Asian American and Pacific Islander Conference at Minnesota State University, Mankato grew. For the last 3 decades we have had the Pan-African Conference, Native Nations Conference and the Chicano Latino Conference therefore the need to represent the growing Asian American and Pacific Islander population at MSU; APAC was created.

APAC is run in a different style then the other ethnic conferences. APAC is created by a committee of students with the support of the Director of Asian American and Pacific Islander Affairs as an advisor. Unlike the other conferences that are put together by the different directors with the help of students as support. APAC gives the power and responsibility to the students so they are able to obtain leaderships skills through this experience; as well as network with the different speakers, faculty and staff in attendance.

This year APAC and the Chicano Latino Conference have decided to switch places in order for them to be in the semester that their "awareness month" is celebrated. Therefore APAC will be held in the Spring of 2010; the theme for this year: Starting from the Roots, Building Blocks for Higher Education. The Office of Multicultural Affairs is trying to get a grant for more funding.

Announcements

Senator Kaufman-Basketball-this weekend

President Rajabali-Potluck was a success. Diversity Dinner Friday.

Senator Revering-Diversity gathering on Monday.

Senator Pimentel-Avila-Latino festival

Vice President Dooley-Dec. 5 Senator Pretzloff will be roasted.

Roll Call

Senators Present

Jennifer Dooley, Brett Anderson, Chris Kaufman, Alexi Roskom, Jayme Pretzloff, Dan Kromer, Connie Johnson, Jacob Severson, Sarah Koenen, Dave Meyers, Luz del Carmen Pimentel-Avila, Jesse Stamm, Jennifer Crane, Abdihakim Abdi, Michael Cooper, Matthew Johnson, Abby Knott, Amanda Lebens, Sarah Revering, Martin Olson, Ricardo Lopez

Senators Absent

Alyssa Ries, Meagan Hertzog, Shankar Reddy

Executive Staff Present

President Rajabali, Vice President Dooley

Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 6:05 PM