

77th MSSA Senate
March 31, 2010

77th Senate called to order by Speaker Thomas Williams

Roll Call (present, absent, proxy, excused)

Jennifer Dooley 26-0-0, Brett Anderson 26-0-0, Chris Kaufman 25-0-0-1, Alexi Roskom 20-0-0, Dan Hallgren 6-1-0-1, Alyssa Ries 19-6-0, Dan Kromer 19-0-0, Samuel Adams 11-1-0, Sarah Koenen 17-0-0-1, Jason Knopik 8-0-0, Dave Meyers 24-1-0-1, Micheal Do 10-0-0, Braeden Hogie 9-0-0, Jennifer Crane 22-2-0-2, Abdihakim Abdi 23-0-0, Michael Cooper 18-7-0, Matthew Johnson 20-5-0, Abby Knott 23-3-0, Juan Munoz 1110-0, Amanda Lebens 24-1-0, Brett Carpenter 6-1-0, Sarah Revering 21-0-0-1, Nikki Sabby 8-0-0, Ricardo Lopez 18-5-0, President Rajabali 26-0-0, Vice President Dooley 26-0-0

Open Forum

Jenni Crane-Red Watch Band. Training on alcohol poisoning and CPR Certification. We are looking for people willing to learn about alcohol poisoning and willing to help lead 2-3 Red Watch Band sessions next year. Train the Trainer for Red Watch Band Friday, April 23 1-5 PM, AH 225.

Sarah Koenen-Student Technology Fee Committee-Handouts/Reports on how we are doing and the recommendation of the fee that was approved yesterday.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Student Allocation Committee Recommendations

SAC Motion #03.29.10A

Student Allocation Committee recommends allocating \$250.00 to Psi Chi to attend the Midwestern Psychological Association's Annual Convention held in Chicago, IL on April 29th, 2010. Five MSU students will be attending.

SAC Motion #03.29.10B

Student Allocation Committee recommends allocating \$350.00 to MSU Student Society of Automotive Engineers to attend the SAE World Congress in Detroit, MI on April 13th, 2010. Seven MSU students will be attending.

SAC Motion #03.29.10C

Student Allocation Committee recommends allocating \$135.00 to Delta Chi Fraternity to attend the Regional Leadership Conference in Iowa City, Iowa. Event was held on February 27, 2010. Six MSU students attended.

SAC Motion #03.29.10D

Student Allocation Committee recommends allocating \$250.00 to the Psychology Club to attend the Midwestern Psychological Association Conference in Chicago, IL on April 29th, 2010. Five MSU students will be attending.

SAC Motion #03.29.10F

Student Allocation Committee recommends allocating \$100.00 to the Making Waves: A Feminist Collective organization to host Making Waves, a program to involve MSU students in producing an alternative publication for issues regarding social justice. Program will be held on April 15th, 2010 in the MSU Mall. Senator Kaufman/Senator Carpenter Move M#03.20.10E Ultimate Frisbee to New Business

Motions Pass

Officer Reports

President Rajabali

We managed to check off the Laptop Policy on our Election Platform. I was told that the hardware part is all set. We are just waiting for them to rule out the required computer for the COB. You would have the option of buying it or not buying it. It would be compatible for all computers.

I met with the H2O 2019 Committee. I think what they are doing is an awesome job.

I have been helping with election materials. I attended the Nellie Stone Johnson Scholarship Dinner. I was inspired by the MC. Nellie Stone Johnson is a scholarship for minority students.

Senator Kromer and I walked around the CSU and gave out census materials.

We are waiting for a confirmed rate from Mark Anderson, Mankato Transit on a confirmed rate. Right now the proposed rate for next year is \$78 per hour for the busses to run. This year it was \$76.00. Wiffle Ball vs. Student Affairs, April 28.

I will be speaking at the APAC Conference.

Senator Meyers-Did you know that MSUSA pays the Nellie Stone Johnson Scholarship \$1,000.00 and the Penny Fellowship and JP only \$600.00? Don't you think that is unproportional?

President Rajabali-I don't know if it is unfair. Students within the system receive the scholarship. Senator Anderson-Can you report on the MSUSA budget where MSUSA reported on the \$130,000 discrepancy?

President Rajabali-As far as I know for next year's budget there is a \$123,000 surplus. Maybe a suggestion for next year would be getting rid of the Diversity Conference.

Vice President Bob Dooley

I think what Rajab was trying to say that MSUSA is over budget by \$123,000.

Yesterday Rajab and I met with Linda Jacoby regarding online classes. We felt that we do not see where the \$50.00 differential tuition fee is going. We mentioned that professors put the class online and do not change it. Hopefully we will see some progress next year in online learning.

Community Engagement-I will be working with Marilyn Lott on the outreach program to do something to get in contact with neighborhood associations.

It is election time. Tell people to vote. We do have the highest turnout in the MnSCU System.

Debates will be held next Wed. at 12:00.

President Rajabali-Is it possible that there will be a \$25.00 orientation fee for online learning?

Vice President Dooley-If a student signifies that they will be 100% online they might be required to pay a \$25.00 orientation fee as well. I do not like that idea. We will see how far that goes.

Speaker Thomas Williams

Senator reports. Talk to RSO's. Talk to people about elections.

New Business

M#3.31.10A-Policy Review-Student Technology Advisory Committee

Whereas: The student technology fee is up for review.

Whereas: The Student Technology Advisory Committee has created and prioritized a technology fee focus for 2010-2011 with student consultation.

Be it Resolved: MSSA approves the technology fee focus for 2010-2011.

Senator Koenen-We are not passing the fee, we are passing the priorities. This is a report card of what we have done.

Senator Kaufman-The Student Tech Fee Advisory Subcommittee worked really hard this year and I would like to take this time to thank Bryan Schneider for not only doing a great job with the students but the faculty involved during the consultation process. I think we came up with very good priorities. Senator Koenen worked very hard on this and we should pass this, it is great.

President Rajabali-There was a lot done on the priorities but some of the priorities were not followed up on. Maybe in the future there could be more.

Senator Koenen-We did go through all aspects and this year we did prioritize the things we thought were high priority. Hopefully, they will be done quickly.

Senator Kaufman-I respectfully disagree with President Rajabali because I feel the report card does tell us what they were able to do with the resources they have and it sets a precedence to do something just the same if not better next year.

President Rajabali-The report card is awesome, but it comes at the end of the year.

Motion passes

M#3.31.10B-Policy Review-Elections Committee

Addition to Article VI: Campaigning

2. f. Any material developed for the purpose of campaigning, which includes and is not limited to campaign pictures and campaigning strategies.

Section B

3. No MSSA owned material may be used for the purpose of campaigning unless approved by majority of the elections committee.

Whereas: The current elections guidelines do not define campaigning to its entirety.

Be it resolved: The committee recommends MSSA adopt the election rules including its revisions as presented.

Speaker Williams-I am ruling that our Election rules are unconstitutional as they conflict with the constitution of MSSA.

Senator Carpenter-You are ruling against some of the requirements for eligibility but that is not in this particular motion.

Speaker Williams-The motion reads to adopt the election rules including its revisions. I do not think we should adopt those rules because it is against the constitution.

Article I-Eligibility 5 and 6.

Senator Knott-We were told that from the direct senate body we are not to alter the rules.

Speaker Williams-It is my interpretation that the Speaker is there to make sure the senate is following the rules. The Election Committee has to present the rules for overall senate approval. If there are objections it goes to the Constitution Commission and they decide on the Speaker ruling. Since the rules go against the Constitution it is my understanding that it is not adoptable because it is unconstitutional from Sections 5 to 6a under the requirements.

Since there is an objection it is debatable. If you agree with me it then becomes final, if there is still an objection it then goes to the Constitution Commission.

Senator Carpenter-Constitution members you cannot debate this from your position on the Commission.

Vice President Dooley-The reason I disagree with this is because anyone can run for President and Vice President and if they don't have it they can get 125 signatures, if they cannot do that than they should not be able to run at all. I don't see at all how this is against the constitution. Everybody has the opportunity if not they can get signatures. At other MnSCU schools candidates need 200 signatures just to run. This rule is fair for that reason.

President Rajabali-This has been brought up a number of times. One of the reasons it is not unconstitutional is that MSSA provides equal opportunity for all qualified persons. That falls under the guidelines of qualified. You do need experience but maybe not as much as six meetings.

Senator Anderson-I think this is something that needs to be debated further. That is why I objected to it, from the stand point that a decision does not have to be made today. Filing is closed as of today for these positions. Unfortunately we did have to deal with this today, but it is done and it is not going to affect anyone from this point now that filing is done. I think the best would be to allow a little time for the members of the Constitution Commission to go out and gather information as opposed to making recommendations and change for the sake of making change. This way we can make change or keep it with better insight for next year.

Senator Meyers-I will not be objecting to the Speaker's motion. I feel the guidelines are too strict. You should not have to have guidelines to get names, that does not qualify you.

Senator Carpenter-The Constitution reads under Article III, Section 1 [The Election Committee shall have the sole authority to develop and enforce any and all rules and regulations regarding the April and September Vacancy Elections, as well as any special elections. However, all Elections Committee recommendations must be forwarded to the Senate for approval, modification, or disapproval, prior to their implementation.] After your appeal, can we still modify it?

Senator Crane-Is this new this year or how did this come up?

President Rajabali-This was brought up last year after elections.

Senator Abdi-I think we need qualifications for President and Vice President as they are the voice of the campus.

Senator Crane-I think it should be looked into and something done for next year.

Senator Kaufman-Looking at the Constitution, which is always up for interpretation, in my interpretation is the word qualified in the preamble. If we are going to have the word qualified in the preamble for those representing the students the qualifications are in the Elections Committee rules.

Vice President Dooley-I agree, I think it is constitutionally advocated to have some qualification, any student can do it if they are qualified.

Senator Meyers-I agree with the interpretation however, I fail to see how getting signatures on a piece of paper makes you qualified to lead this body.

Senator Carpenter-I like the debate on the preamble, I believe that qualified persons refers to the fact that they are members of MSSA. I don't think we can assume there is a reference from this document to that document. I accept the Speaker's recommendation. Even though this is not unreasonable, 100 signatures is not a guarantee of quality or lack thereof but what it really is is an obstacle and we should not in any way be preventing from seeking leadership as a student leader. It is a very small hurdle, but on principle it is a little offensive to our body. Having it there might one day reach 1,000 signatures. It is a slippery slope and we are on the edge.

President Rajabali-To clarify, the reason the 100 signatures was put there was to weed out those that are not really serious. Anyone could come and sign up and this is a big deal. If you are serious you can get 100 signatures.

Senator Anderson-A further point of why this should be tabled. You could change qualifications to having attended a senate meeting but let's say Bob an Rajab had never attended a meeting.

They get elected, are gone over the summer and then get here in the fall and we have a huge issue like the CAP Program. If you don't have some idea on how the organization runs the integrity of the organization is at risk. It is not about making a hurdle but about protecting what we do here and so that you have a familiarity with what you get yourself into.

Tom Williams-My interpretation of the constitution is that MSSA includes all students and that is a qualification under our constitution to simply be a student. A campaign is to weed out those who are unqualified and unserious and would not represent the body collectively or appropriately. We do have a campaign that weeds out those qualified, we have a filing process which weeds out those serious or not. We have the qualification of a student which is all you need to represent the student body, just like in America, all you need to be is a US citizen.

Senator Meyers-I believe the purpose of the campaign is to weed out those not qualified. We have debates for a reason. Those that would run for office meet with groups, and that again weeds out those not serious. I feel that these qualifications are unnecessary.

Senator Carpenter-What is the process for sending this to the Constitution Commission?

Mr. Williams-If there is an objection and the majority of you approve of the objection –you agree you don't agree with the ruling of the chair, it goes to the Constitution Commission. If you don't receive a majority to appeal then it stands as a Speaker decision.

Roll Call Vote

Senators voting aye (to be reviewed by Constitution Commission)

Anderson, Kaufman, Roskom, Koenen, Adams, Meyers, Crane, Abdi-w/r, Knott, Carpenter, Revering, Sabby, Lopez

Senators voting no

Dooley, Kromer, Knopik, Lebens

Executive Staff- aye-President Rajabali, Vice President Dooley

Motion Carries-referred to Constitution Commission

(clerical change of original motion-VI-IV-passes)

Senator Anderson-Is this retroactive in terms of things that may or may not have already been done or is this going forward?

Senator Knott-None of this would affect anything this year. This would be in effect for next year only. A couple things were brought up. Is it fair to let someone running for office be in the senate office in senate apparel or with a gavel give them an advantage or does it disadvantage someone else, so for next year. In the current rule pictures are not part of campaigning. We have also added pictures as part of campaigning in the senate office.

Vice President Dooley-This would go into effect immediately as soon as it is approved.

Senator Meyers-This would take effect immediately but not be retroactive?

Senator Carpenter-This is strange but I hope that any advantage that might have been gained would be used appropriately and represent us well.

Senator Do-MSSA owned material-are you talking about shirts, we bought them.

President Rajabali-What was meant was taking things representing MSSA or things achieved in the past.

Senator Adams-Wouldn't putting "incumbent" on the ballot give you an advantage? The fact that you are here does help you. That is a good thing. People will make a more informed decision when they see things like that. If you put the time in you probably are more qualified than the person that is running against you. I disagree with the policy.

Senator Anderson-I think it is good when you learn things like this but when you change the rules in the middle of the game that in essence does bring up and issue of fairness. This might just be one more thing tonight that we have to say, lesson learned for next year.

Senator Meyers-I would like to amend this to say "if passed this would be taken in after this election and for all future elections".

President Rajabali-The interpretation of the rules is left up to the Election Committee.

Senator Carpenter-move to strike #3 down to Whereas. Second Vice President Dooley This is a good idea, but because we did not think of this soon enough we should let it go until next year. If we take it out it will not give advantage to anyone. The apparel is a good advantage, it does let everyone know that you have experience. That is something we should not sensor.

Vice President Dooley-Move to scratch everything except Be it Resolved, Second Senator Do We can approve this as it reads and after election work on it, after elections we can bring up a good motion.

Senator Do-You can't change the rules half way through

Senator Anderson-Since we previously changed the rules, the Election Committee is in place so it is not even necessary they can change this after April 14.

Senator Kaufman-Strike everything except Be it Resolved.

Amendment to amendment passes

M#3.31.10B-Policy Review-Elections Committee

Be it resolved: The Election Committee recommends MSSA adopt the election rules including its revisions as presented.

Motion passes

M#3.31.10C-Policy Review-President Rajabali/Senator Koenen

Whereas: The Parking Advisory Committee recommended that all parking fine be increased for the purpose of reducing violations and not for the purpose of increasing revenue.

Whereas: Some of the fines are already at high levels, and are enough of an incentive for students not to park illegally or pay their fines.

Be it resolved: The MSSA supports the increase in fines with the exception of the boot fine which should remain at \$40.

President Rajabali-The Advisory Committee wanted to increase the fee for violations. If you already had fines and then got a boot and they increased that to \$50.00 it would be a lot. I think they could just do away with the fines and do the boot.

Senator Koenen-I am going to first address the fines for Parking, over the line parking and for the fines that you get the boot at. We feel that since all the other fines are increasing as incentive to park legally, the fee for the boot should be free.

Senator Carpenter-I look at parking as a model entity on this campus. They seem to support themselves entirely. I did hear last week that there are some grants that come in but did Parking pay for paving the Free Lot? Parking pays for a lot of good things. This is how we as Americans get our money. Because Parking is independent, runs very well and is efficient I want to see what else they can do with this revenue. I support the Parking Advisory recommendation and endorse the fee increase.

Senator Knott-So Parking wants to increase all the fines except the boot?

I disagree, I don't condone keeping the fines down for the repeat offenders.

Senator Koenen-We are not raising it for revenue, please oppose if you think we should raise fines.

Senator Crane-What are they going to use the revenue for? Have they looked into other strategies for violations? Will Parking Advisory give us a motion?

Senator Koenen-With this increase we are not saying there will be an increase in revenue. We won't know so we can't answer where the revenue would go.

Mr. Wilkens-Last time when the fines were increased there were 3,000 less tickets written, so it does have an effect on behavior. There hope is there will still be another reduction. They don't like writing tickets.

President Rajabali-Fines are being increased from \$25-30. Over the line from \$12-15. The boot would increase from \$40-50. If anything we are not expecting an increase in revenue, possibly a decrease. If fines are higher, people won't park there. That is the purpose. I support everything but the boot. The boot is supposed to make you pay the fines and you already have a violation then you would have to pay the extra \$50.00.

Motion Fails

SAC Motion #03.29.10E

Student Allocation Committee recommends allocating \$1400.00 to the MSU-Mankato Ultimate Frisbee Club to attend a section tournament for Minnesota teams in Maple Plains, MN on April 17th, 2010. 26 MSU students will be attending.

Mr. Hodapp-This is an RSO under Campus Rec. They have been invited to a tournament. They are paying for the lodging. The cost for the trip is around \$5,000. There is a \$40.00 per person entry fee. They are required to wear a light and dark jersey, which they are paying for themselves. SAC never pays more than the student pays themselves. Under SAC guidelines because they are being invited to a tournament they can request up to \$100 per person. This is roughly about \$55.00 per student. They were also told that they are only eligible for funding for one tournament. If they win and go to Regional's they cannot come back and ask SAC for money.

Senator Kaufman-This is about \$50.00 per person, about the same that we give others.

Senator Kromer-I think this is ok, whether they take the money now or later.

Senator Anderson-How much money do we have left?

Mr. Hodapp-About \$6,000 in non-budgeted and about \$3,000 in SOAFC. Also when you gave money to Repertory Dance to go to their tournament, one of them got picked to go to Washington, DC to perform so I am anticipating you will see a request for that for the first time in 32 years. I am assuming you might want to help support them as you would an athletic team going to a national tournament.

Motion passes

Coordinator Reports

Diversity -Sarah Revering

I wanted you to know what we are doing with the \$1,000 that we have from the Diversity Conference. Basically we are collaborating with the International Student Association and doing the International Festival, April 11. We will be greeting people as they come in and we will hand out flyers about MSSA and the Diversity Committee, basically telling how people can get involved. We will have a trivia booth and giving away candy. If you are not going to the conference this weekend, come to the festival.

Senator Kaufman-How was African Night?

Coordinator Revering-It was really good.

MSUSA-Dave Meyers

The MSUSA Board of Directors approves the contract with the contingencies regarding the sale of 106 & 108 Como Ave properties. In addition, the MSUSA Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director and State Chair authority to negotiate and have final approval on the sale of the contract for deed.

FY11 budget OVER BUDGET 123 thousand that was UPDATED = we're good. Fee will likely increase in the future.

MSUSA Conference April 09-11 Twin Cities

President Rajabali-Did they talk about cutting the budget?

Senator Meyers-Yes, it was brought up that by combining the Women's Leadership Conference and the Diversity Conference along with cutting the budget would look favorably upon. In the revised budget however MSUSA does not plan to spend any money on a Women's Leadership Conference or a Diversity Conference. They were removed because the Board questioned the effectiveness of each conference.

President Rajabali-They want to support individual campuses on leadership.

Constitution Commission-Brett Carpenter

The constitution is not open for interpretation. Amendments have been proposed so when you are familiar with them you can talk about them before elections. Article III, Section 5 –a vacancy must be advertised at least twice in the school newspaper. That costs \$24.00 a time, the Constitution Commission has proposed one time. Article IV Section 1-Ethics and Standards, it removes the power from the President to appoint the Ethics and Standards Commission. This is to prevent an investigation on the President who has appointed Ethics and Standards. Article IV Section I takes away the power of the President to vote it does retain the presidential veto. This takes away the vote from the President voting no and than if it passes the president can veto, sort of a double jeopardy for the motion. This does maintain the Vice Presidential vote. Article VI Section I says committees and commissions must report to the senate at their next scheduled meetings. This does not happen too much. Every committee does not come and present, once a month will space them out and further solidify the fact that we want reports.

Senator Meyers-If a vacancy is only put in the paper once but remains vacant wouldn't that increase the cost?

Senator Carpenter-The way the constitution reads now is that it has to be in the paper twice, if we run it once it should satisfy. It could be run as needed.

Senator Anderson-Are these up for amendments this year?

Senator Carpenter-Yes, they will be on the ballot.

Senator Anderson-When is the open forum?

Senator Carpenter-Next week.

Senator Dooley-Regarding the President not voting, I agree in a perfect world but I don't think we have had a problem with it. The final change I think would be a bylaw.

Senator Carpenter-It is in the constitution.

President Rajabali-I don't think a President being a nonvoting CEO is a very efficient way to run the association. If I was not allowed to vote, more things would be vetoed and would have to come back to senate and voted again. By allowing the President to vote they have a say.

Senator Meyers-I completely agree with this change.

Senator Anderson-Have you had discussion with senators and their lack of voting on RHA?

Senator Carpenter-Yes.

Senator Crane-I spoke to RHA and they do not want voting on both sides. They would like the Res Hall senators to attend their general assembly meetings. They are putting it in their bylaws that they will start attending the senate meetings.

Also, in the new Drug and Alcohol policy it states that any organization that is in trouble and has a violation is turned to MSSA. We currently don't have anything explicit in our constitution and bylaws. The Constitution Commission talked about how we can put that in.

Senator Anderson-Please keep the RSO power with us and with the RHA I have always believed we should require more out of our Res Hall senators in bringing that back to us. We should get a better handle and participation. It could be a positive change. Res Hall senators are ex officio non voting members, I think they should be mandatory voting members of the RHA. That is the group of people they represent.

Senator Do-If we have never had the voting how do we know how it would work?

President Rajabali-Just for RHA they do not allow it. They do not want RHA reps to be senators.

Senator Anderson-If an ex officio officer cannot debate that is one thing we should look into.

RHA's constitution may not allow it but we establish them so our constitution supersedes them. Think about what is best for all.

Senator Carpenter-We are going to conduct as much legitimate debate as we can by Mavmail. The wording will be doctored up for the ballot. Tuesday is the deadline if you have changes.

Senator Reports

College of Allied Health & Nursing-Chris Kaufman

Since my last written report I decided to follow up on my program by investigating the Sports Management Club. The Sports Management Club will most likely lose their current advisor but their unique way of having fun hasn't dampened their spirit. This past semester, the Sports Management Club held a silent auction at the last home hockey game. Proceeds went to their scholarship fund that helps one student per year and rewards their academic and co-curricular achievements. The club continues to schedule fun events for the group's continuing learning of their chosen profession. Earlier this semester, a group traveled up the Xcel Energy Center to tour the facility and was treated to a Minnesota Swarm indoor Lacrosse game. Students had a chance to learn about facility operations and game day operations. SMC also hosts a Boomtown event fundraiser about once a semester as well. They are also a key contributor for the MSU Scholarship BBQ that is held on campus. Tickets are only \$5.

Finally, this is my last report I will be giving the Senate, and I would like to thank Bob Dooley, who, one year ago, convinced me to file my papers to run for this seat. It's been a pleasure to work with you all, and I wish you all well in your future endeavors.

College of Arts & Humanities-Alexi Roskom (written report)

College of Business-Alyssa Ries (written report)

PARKING APPEALS:

Nothing too exciting just went over all the appeals that have been sent in within the past two weeks.

DIVERSITY COMMITTEE:

Working on activities to present at the International Festival April 11th @ Mankato East High School 11am.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS:

Didn't have a meeting last week, but was supposed to meet with Brett to talk about the graduation chords motion, Sarah Koenen will be overseeing this from now on.

OTHER NEWS:

I went to Sri Lanka photo exhibit last Monday, was really interesting I learned a lot about the culture and the country. Went to the Susan Faludi, feminist speaker on Wednesday that was pretty enlightening. Attended the Female Orgasm even on Thursday that was really interesting as well.

Science, Engineering & Technology-Sarah Koenen (written report)

RSO- Sigma Alpha Pi

For my senator report on a RSO, I chose to talk about Sigma Alpha Pi. I, myself was inducted into this fraternity last fall. I met up with Liz Schieler who will be the organization's student president next year.

There are 450 MSU students in this organization. In order to be inducted students must attend a leadership training day that "helps them find and build their inner leadership skills" as Liz put it. Each member is placed into a student Networking group. In these groups they discuss their goals and help motivate each other and find strategies to achieve them. Students are required to meet with their groups at least three times for induction but are encouraged to meet regularly throughout the years.

Students also are able to (and required 3) to attend motivational speeches by highly successful individuals. The society puts on multiple each month with at least 3 a semester being live (by satellite-we are not a large enough school to bring the speakers to our campus). Students can also gain a letter of recommendation (at anytime) from the organization directed to help them obtain jobs, internships, etc.

The organization also puts on various events and fundraisers throughout the semester. These are aimed to benefit students but also the community. The organization volunteered at MSU graduation this fall, had a HiVee fundraiser, as well as had opportunities to get the members out into the community by doing activities such as volunteering to tutor in the local schools. An upcoming fundraiser that Liz is very excited about is the Frisbee Golf tournament they are hoping to put on for the campus and community this summer.

As far as if there is anything the MSSA could do for this organization, Liz says that they are always looking for student leaders to join and especially for current members to become more involved and hopefully help fill the openings on the executive board, so tell your friends.

Off-Campus-Nikki Sabby

I met with Chris Kennedy in our office and asked him about the type of issues he deals with. He talks with off campus people about landlord tenant issues, DWI's, immigration, and family issues. He does not work with students outside the office unless they retain him. He also has a radio show. He is in the office every Tuesday and Thursday.

Senator Anderson-If you were listening to 96.7 could you hear Chris Kennedy in the morning?

College of Allied Health & Nursing-Brett Anderson

I went to African Night and followed up with the president. They are having some issues balancing the funds as some people may have paid for tickets and then did not get a wrist band. My favorite part was watching Lela scare people.

Social and Behavioral Sciences-Dave Meyers

I met with Dean Alyssio today. He mentioned we are in the second round of cuts. He mentioned cuts are not across the board as every department requested they not be. He stressed that every department paid a little bit but some paid more than others such as Economics as Senator Johnson made known. I talked to the Dean about Economics and he said that is because they cost the most because we pay their faculty more than any other college.

Senator Carpenter-Regarding their salary, how they been here longer or do they earn more for any reason?

Senator Meyers-The department came to the Dean and stressed that they are worth more. The Dean said if they had not done that they would not be cut as much.

Announcements

Speaker Williams-It recently came out that Economics professionals have the highest gross, they were arguing what they are worth on this campus.

Senator Roskom-I want to thank everyone that tabled and participated.

Senator Anderson-When you come to waffle ball bring your depth perception.

President Rajabali-If you are interested in driving for the International Festival let me know, volunteer.

Vice President Dooley-Bring you're game or don't play.

Roll Call

Senators Present

Jennifer Dooley, Brett Anderson, Chris Kaufman, Alexi Roskom, Dan Hallgren, Alyssa Ries, Dan Kromer, Samuel Adams, Jason Knopik, Sarah Koenen, Micheal Do, Dave Meyers, Braeden Hogie, Jennifer Crane, Abdihakim Abdi, Matthew Johnson, Abby Knott, Amanda Lebens, Brett Carpenter, Sarah Revering, Nikki Sabby

Senators Absent

Michael Cooper, Juan Munoz, Ricardo Lopez

Executive Staff Present

President Rajabali, Vice President Dooley

Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM