

**86th Student Government**  
**February 27, 2019**  
**Minutes**

- **Call to Order by 86<sup>th</sup> Speaker Pesklo**
- **Roll Call**
- **Presentations**
  - Budget Season Overview – John Bulcock
    - Process
    - Fee Requests
    - If more than a 2% increase, subject to student body vote
    - Reviewed and Recommended by David Jones
    - Approved by President Davenport
    - Be prepared, ask questions before meeting
  - CSU Fee – Emily Christensen & Oscar Andrade Lara
    - FY 2020
    - 1.2% decrease
    - \$10.99 to \$10.86
  - Athletics Fee – Kevin Buisman
    - “Building Champions” motto
    - Serves as the window to the University
    - Remains only school at less than \$4.00/credit hour
    - Propose 2% increase
    - \$3.94 per credit hour
  - Campus Rec Facility Fee – Todd Pfingsten
    - Why the fee – motion to cut proposal was passed
    - Safe quality fields
    - Fee expenses
  - SAF – Brett Marshall, SAC Chair
    - 8 members – 3 senators
    - RSO program and travel funding
    - Overall budget impact
    - 4.69% increase
    - \$8.75 per credit hour
- **Open Forum**
  - Mark Johnson – Technology Fee

- **Approval of Consent Agenda - Approved**

Appointments:

Constitution Commission- Samantha Mitchell, Theresa Redenius

CSET Advisory Board- Mohammad Bhuiyan

Academic Affairs- Hazel Thorp

PR and Marketing- Ebenezer Sefenu

Ethics and Standards- Ibelizet Dominguez

Recognized Student Organizations: European Student Union, Pro-Life MNSU

Commission on Ethics & Standards:

Student Allocations Committee:

Program Request (s)

1. Recommend allocation \$1,000 of one-time program funding to **Veteran Service Programming** for spring 2019 Veterans Week activities from the SAF uncommitted reserves as directed by the Student Government at the FY19 budget hearing on March 14, 2018 if the VSP made a request to SAC based upon a program need.

Travel Request(s)

1. Recommend allocating up to \$420 (\$70/student x 6 students) for non-food related travel expenses to the **Mudworks** club to attend the National Conference for the Education of Ceramic Arts in Minneapolis, MN on March 27-30, 2019.
2. Recommend allocating up to \$630 (\$70/student x 9 students) for non-food related travel expenses to the **Circle K International** club to attend the Circle K International District Convention in Fergus Falls, MN on February 22-24, 2019.
3. Recommend allocating up to \$700 (\$70/student x 10 students) for non-food related travel expenses to the **School Psychology Society** club to attend the National Association of School Psychologists Annual Conference in Atlanta, GA on February 25-March 1, 2019.
4. Recommend allocating up to \$1,050 (\$70/student x 15 students) for non-food related travel expenses to the **Bridges International** club to partner with 5-6 service organizations to participate in service projects such as children's programming and serving meals to the homeless in Chicago, IL on March 3-7, 2019.

Program Request (s)

1. Recommend allocating up to \$500 to the **Graduate Scholars of English Association** to support sponsorship of the GSES Annual Symposium. The event will be held on-campus in the Student Union on March 23, 2019 this event is open to the students from all sections of the English department. SAF funds may be used for printing, advertising and to purchase food for the "coffee & dessert time" specific to the day of the symposium as it was deemed essential to the success of the event by SAC. Food must but must be purchased in accordance with university policy. Be it further recommended than none of these SAF funds may be used to purchase food for the free lunch the day of the symposium or any future monthly meetings.
2. Recommend allocating up to \$500 to the **Muslim Student Association** to support a lecture on the Islamic Culture. SAF funds may be used for printing, advertising, and speaker fee. The event will be held on-campus in the Student Union Ballroom on March 27, 2019, this event will be advertised and open to all students. SAF funds may not be used to purchase food as it will be covered by outside donations but any food purchased must be made in accordance with university policy.

Travel Request(s)

1. Recommend allocating up to \$770 (\$70/student x 11 students) for non-food related travel expenses to the **Sacred Sounds Meditation Club** to attend the Body, Mind, Spirit, Wellness, & Cross-Cultural Leadership Retreat at the Gita Nagari Eco Friendly Farm in Port Royal, PA on April 13-15, 2019.

2. Recommend allocating up to \$1,050 (\$70/student x 15 students) for non-food related travel expenses to the **Student Nurses Association** to attend the National Student Nurses' Association Annual Conference in Salt Lake City, UT on April 2-7, 2019.

- **Officer Reports**

- **President Cronin**

- a. Students United Advocacy Conference
- b. Students United Advocacy Day – very successful
- c. Spring Delegates in April
- d. Run for State Chair/VC/Treasurer for Students United
- e. Spring Break
- f. March 13 Budget Meeting
- g. March 14 Meet and Confer
- h. Bylaw changes
- i. One on one meetings

- **Vice President Omar**

- a. Updated Office Hours

- **Speaker Pesklo**

- a. Governing documents
- b. Accountability Motion
- c. Live Stream: names/agenda on screen, closed captioning talks, more viewership

- **Senator Reports**

- Senator Robuck

- Residential Life
- Meeting with Cindy Janney
- Gender Neutral Housing/benefits
- ADA Rooms
- Stadium Lighting

- Student Affairs Committee Report

- 3 meeting cancelled due to weather
- Goals set for semester
- Mental Health at MSU – ways to help
- Security on campus

- Senator Newenski

- CSET
- Pre Professional Advising Crusade
- Improving CSET Advising
- Created Survey
- Pre Professional Clubs

- Senator Adediji & Owusu

- Increasing GPA for COB (decided to decrease)
- Approval from Dean – Mentor
- COB recruit freshman for debate team

- Senator Ovralti & Silwal

- Internships for International students
- Engineers Week – various events and tabling

- **Vacancies**

At-Large Senator

Callie Pospishil elected and sworn in

- **New Business**

- **Old Business**

- **Announcements**

- **Roll Call**

- **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 6:11 pm.