

**85th MSSA Senate
March 21, 2018
Minutes**

- **Call to Order by 85th Speaker Brinkman**
- **Roll Call**
- **Presentations**
 - Students United

- **Open Forum**

- **Approval of Consent Agenda - Approved**

Appointments:

Commission on Ethics & Standards:

Recognized Student Organizations:

Student Allocations Committee:

Travel Requests

1. Recommend allocating up to \$490 (\$70/student x 7 students) for non-food related travel expenses to the **Student Art League** to travel and tour the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Craft and Folk Art Museum, and The Broad in Los Angeles, CA on May 9-13, 2018.

2. Recommend allocating up to \$560 (\$70/student x 8 students) for non-food related travel expenses to the **Sociology Club** to travel and attend the Midwest Society (MSS) Conference in Minneapolis, MN on March 22-25, 2018.

3. Recommend allocating up to \$280 (\$70/student x 4 students) for non-food related travel expenses to the **Graduate Scholars of English Association** to travel and attend the 2018 MnWE Conference in Minneapolis, MN on March 24, 2018.

- **Officer Reports**
 - **President Abdul-Aziz**
 - a. Students United - Delegates
 - **Vice President Cremers**
 - a.
 - **Speaker Brinkman**
 - a. Office Hours
 - b. Senator Reports

- **Senator Reports**
 - Senator Schmit

- Senator Trenne
 - Senator Thompson
 - Senator Hiebert
- **Vacancies**
 - **New Business**
 - Technology Fee
 - Approved at \$10.00/ credit hour
 - Student Health Services Fee
 - Approved at \$5.42/ Credit hour
 - Centennial Student Union Fee
 - Approved at \$10.99/ credit hour
 - Campus Rec and Outdoor Facilities Fee
 - Approved for \$2.50/credit hour (banded at 12 credits)

Motion: 85.03.20.2018.01 **Passes Aye: 23, Abstain: 1, Nay: 6**

Moved by: Senator Goode

Seconded by: Senator Isniqui

Whereas: Minnesota State Student Association meetings are attended by students, faculty, staff, board members, and is being recorded for public viewing.

Be it Resolved: This serves to amend Article II and add Section 5 to the Senate Operating Policies to state, "Senators are expected to look presentable during senate meeting to represent their constituencies in a respectable manner under appropriation set by the Speaker".

Motion: 85.03.20.2018.02 **Passes Aye: 24, Abstain: 0, Nay: 0**

Moved by: Senator Goode

Seconded by: Senator Pesklo

Whereas: Students, faculty, staff, and board members should be able to clearly see the names of Student Presidents, Vice President, Speaker, and Senators.

Be it Resolved: This serves to amend Article II and add Section 6 to the Senate Operating Policies to state, "Student President, Vice President, Speaker, and Senators must use the following forms of name representation: Typed and not hand-written name with position on the front side of place card and "Proxy" with position on the back side of place card that is clearly placed in front of that specific persons' position. Under appropriation set by the Speaker, Senators may wear the MSSA Official name tag on the front of individual's shirt to meetings if such a nametag is provided".

Motion: 85.03.20.2018.03

Passes Aye: 20, Abstain: 1, Nay: 2

Moved by: Senator Goode

Seconded by: Senator Warner

Whereas: Senators should be more transparent when pertaining to office hours. Students should be aware of at least one (1) consistent weekly office hour to meet with Senators.

Be it Resolved: This serves as an amendment to Article I Section 3 of the Bi-Laws. After the existing text shall read as, "The President, Vice President, Speaker, and Senators will notify the Speaker and/or recording Secretary of one consistent weekly office hour and where they will serve that office hour at the beginning of each semester to be posted by the MSSA office door and other public communications as deemed necessary by the Speaker and/or recording Secretary".

Motion: 85.03.20.2018.04

Passes Aye: 11, Abstain: 6, Nay: 3

Moved by: Senator Landis

Seconded by: Senator Goode

Whereas: Minnesota State Colleges and Universities System Procedure 2.3.1- Student Involvement in Decision-Making requires consultation with the campus student association on proposals including changes in student fees, including in their definition of consultation the provision of, "necessary background materials," and whereas entities which receive Student Fee revenues may commit a portion of their allocation to a general reserve fund...

Be it Resolved: Any entity which receives Student Fee revenues and maintains a balance in a general reserve fund must report the total current balance their portion of the fund, as well as credits and debits for the previous five years, in writing, to MSSA during or in the week preceding their respective annual budget hearing.

Motion: 85.03.20.2018.05

Passes Aye: 18, Abstain: 0, Nay: 2

Moved by: Senator Landis

Seconded by: Senator Goode

Whereas: There is a need to increase accessibility during the SAF budget recommendation review period.

Be it Resolved: The SAC chair will make available to the MSSA Senators all budget materials, currently provided in the SAC binder, in electronic form.

- **Old Business**
- **Announcements**
- **Roll Call**
- **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.