

86th Student Government
March 27, 2019
Minutes

- **Call to Order by 86th Vice President Anisa Omar**
- **Roll Call**
- **Presentations**
- **Open Forum**
 - Maverick Adventures Pilot Program
 - Caving

- **Approval of Consent Agenda - Approved**

Appointments:

Recognized Student Organizations:

Commission on Ethics & Standards:

Student Allocations Committee:

Travel Funding Requests:

1. Recommend allocating up to \$560 (\$70/student x 8 students) for non-food related travel expenses to the **Psi Chi** club to attend the MW Psychology Association Conference in Chicago, IL on April 11-13, 2019.
2. Recommend allocating up to \$540 for non-food related travel expenses to the **Psi Chi** club to assist 12 students' attend the Psychology Research Conference in Owatonna, MN on March 28-29, 2019.

- **Officer Reports**

- **President Cronin**
 - a. Sign up to table in Mav Ave next week
 - b. Senate Banquet in April
 - c. Bylaw change for senate availability will be proposed next week based on senate response
 - d. Delegates next weekend
- **Vice President Omar**
 - a. Chairing Academic Affairs meeting after senate meeting

- **Senator Reports**

- Senator Sampson
 - Looking for 5-6 people to take trip to Capitol
- Senator Okaro
 - Process of interviewing for communications officer for the college
- Senator Landis

- SAC has decided to support travel for 2 graduate students to be graduate assistants
 - 3500 pounds of food distributed as a part of helping food insecurity
 - Students supporting students program talks
 - Food/housing insecurities committee
 - Senator Moin
 - Submitted design for reflection space in Armstrong Hall in 2024
 - Senator Schmidt
 - Given go ahead for art installations in Armstrong basement
 - Music Festival next year
 - Senator Redenius
 - Still working on security for Res Life
 - Still working on app for security
 - Senator Garten
 - New ideas for Off-campus snow removal/emergency to make process more smooth
 - Brought forward to Mankato City Hall Meeting

- **Vacancies**

Speaker Vacancy (3.27.19)

Emma Zellmer elected and sworn in.

- **New Business**

- **Motion to approve Student Tech Fee Priorities for FY2020**

- **Motion 86.03.27.2019.01**

Whereas, the appointed members of the Student Technology Fee Committee has met in compliance with Minnesota State Board Policy and Procedure 2.3.1 Student involvement in Decision-Making, and 5.11.1 Tuition and Fees, Subpart J. Technology fee;

Whereas, the committee has learned about student and faculty use of technology throughout all aspects of the campus, and has learned about all services that ITS provides;

Whereas, the committee has consulted with and collaborated with faculty representatives and ITS representatives;

Whereas, technology is no longer a tool. It is an essential part of the student experience and effective learning;

Whereas, all student use and benefit from Minnesota State University, Mankato technology;

Whereas, the committee has drafted a list of objectives for ITS to accomplish in the next year;

Whereas, the list of “**Objectives for FY 2019**”, prepared by the 2019 Student Technology Fee committee, has been presented to the Student Government for review and feedback;

Whereas, the 86th Student Government will consider these objectives a legacy for current and future Minnesota State University, Mankato students;

Be it resolved: the 86th Student Government has been consulted by ITS regarding Student Technology Fees and accepts the objectives for FY 2020.

Motion Passed

- **Old Business**

- **Bylaw Amendment Defining “Petition” to Include Ethnics & Standards**

- **Commission Petition to Remove Elected Officials, Senators, Appointees:**

- Constitution Committee Resolved, That the Ethics & Standards Commission, created under the Student Government’s Constitution Article V Section 2 Subsection B, was established to “hear all complaints concerning the ethical behavior and/or fitness of an elected or appointed official of the Student Government” is limited in what sanctions can be applied should it be necessary to discipline an elected or appointed official of Student Government. Be it Further Resolved, That Constitutional sanctions are now limited to censure of the individual and/or measures which have an impact on the person’s Bylaw approved salary compensation. [Direct removal by the Ethics and Standards Commission is not an option consistent with the Constitution Commission’s ruling of February 28, 2019.] Be it Further Resolved, That the Ethics & Standards Commission needs a more definitive tool should all other sanctions fail to produce desired results and the wayward behavior of the disciplined party continues or worsens affecting the operation of any or all of the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial branches of Student Government. 2 Therefore Be It Resolved, That the Constitution Commission recommend to the Student Senate that it adopt the following a new Subsection B to Article I, Section 7 of the Bylaws: (text underscored is proposed additional language)

- **Vote:** 25-0-0 Motion passed

- **Bylaw Amendment Addressing Salary Compensation of Student Senators:**

- Article XI – Student Leadership Compensation. Section 2: Compensation – Subsection E Student Senators. Each Student Senator **may** be compensated up to \$200 prorated: \$100 at the end of Fall Semester, and \$100 at the end of Spring Semester.

- **Vote:** 24-1-0 Motion passed.

- **Proposed Bylaw Amendment – Creation of MavTextbook Reserve Coordinator:**

- “Amend the Bylaws By: 1. Delete language in Article III. Student Government President’s Cabinet - Section 6 of the Academic Affairs Coordinator’s duties: “. . . The Academic Affairs Coordinator shall be responsible for coordinating the Maverick Textbook Reserve program as well as the efforts of all Academic Senators. 2. Create a new Article III. Student Government President’s Cabinet – Section 8 – which states: “ Section 8 – Student Government Maverick Textbook Reserve Program Coordinator. The Maverick Textbook Reserve Program Coordinator shall be responsible for promoting the Maverick Textbook Reserve Program through intensive information campaigns with faculty leadership, individual faculty members, and the student body at large. The Program, which is a partnership with Student Government, Library Services, and the Barnes &

Noble Bookstore, is housed within the jurisdiction of the Bookstore Advisory Committee (Article IV Standing Committees – Section 4 Bookstore Advisory Committee). 3. Increase the 8 voting membership of the Bookstore Advisory Committee to include the Maverick Textbook Reserve Program Coordinator. (Requires an amendment by addition to Article IV, Section 4, Subsection B on the membership of the Bookstore Advisory Committee.

Vote: 15-9-1 Motion passed

- **Announcements**

- Petition to have Melanie Ramsey passed. MeMe will hold academic affairs meeting tonight.
- Speaker Zellmer will email office hours by the end of the week.
- President and VP Debates and Open Forum next Wednesday.

- **Roll Call**

- **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm.