

Senate called to order by 80th Speaker Collins

I. Roll Call

Merissa Daley 5-0-0; Courtney Toft 4-1-0; Nick Jirik 5-0-0; Hassan Fall 5-0-0; Briana Williamson 4-0-1; Blake Grotewold 4-0-1; Teto Korha 5-0-0; Nilsu Demirci 4-0-1; Paige Sparkman 4-1-0; Lance Selvig 5-0-0; Ben Shakespear 5-0-0; Cody Nickel 4-1-0; Trevor Granberg 5-0-0; Alison Lemke 5-0-0; Jonathan Marquardt; 4-1-0; Kara Aliperto 4-0-0; Ganisher Davlyatov 0-0-1; Sam Turner 0-1-0; Lazarus Jackson 0-0-1; Gabriel Ignacio 1-0-0; Skeeter Rogers 1-0-0; Beth Madsen 0-0-1; Michael Hanson 1-0-0; Elizabeth Jacobson 1-0-0; Daphne Drossart 2-0-0; David Rosencrance 2-0-0; Skeeter Rogers 2-0-0

II. Open Forum

- Mike Ramirez – Rock the Vote reminder

III. Presentations

- **Rick Straka – Budget Updates**
- **Budget Presentation (PPT)** (*refer to MnSCU Board policy*)
 - Tuition vs Fees
 - Tuition is major source of funding + state appropriation
 - Does not pay for parking related exp; CSU operation; Res. Life; Student Activities (including student senate).
 - Types of Fees – Mandatory vs Optional
 - Fund types: General fund; Student Act. Fund; Revenue Funds, Auxiliary: grants, financial aid, and agency.
 - Foundation's role – scholarship support; restricted purpose gifts
 - State appropriation trends: Historically: 2/3 approp. 1/3 tuition; Today: 1/3 appropriation 2/3 tuition. State appropriation declining steadily. Best case would be stable support. Tuition increases reflect this shift.
 - FY14-15 Deficit forecasts: June , '11: \$2.1B; Nov. 2011 \$1.3 B; Feb. 2012-\$1.1B. Possible MSU reduction in FY14 - \$2M
 - FY12 – Reserves look good 7%; appropriation reduction was less than planned; still holding reserve for bargaining settlements.
 - FY13-Base surplus FY13, \$2,1M; Est. DY14 reduction \$2M. Fall enrollment down (200+) but still strong #. Will use 1X funding if need be.
 - Building updates: Over \$2M planning funds for Clinical Sciences Bldg.; Preska is online; Gage decommissioning; Global Solutions Morris Hall addition fundraising ongoing; Carkoski Dining replacement; Verizon Center expansion.
 - 1X funding updates: climbing wall complete; CSU/library connection (*completion fall semester 2013*).
- 2. **Brian Schneider - Citrix/ITS**
 - Update on summer projects. (*handout*)
 - Citrix (MavApps); (included free download of Office package to each student)
 - In addition, new classrooms; tele-presence; service desk expansion; video;

Schieler: Any student concerns expressed over the COB fee overlap?

Schneider: Residence Halls get priority service. We have dedicated help desk for COB as well. Will also provide a loaner if needed.

Aliperto: How long does the student get to keep the software download?

Schneider: It's yours when downloaded. However, when you're finished as a student you'll no longer have access to MavApps.

Shrestha: Where is faculty at with learning new technology (i.e. Chime In)?

Schneider: Use is increasing rapidly. We've brought someone in to work with them. There has been a dramatic increase over the past year.

Williamson: Do we need to be on campus network?

Schneider: No, but if you do have a problem, come to the Help Desk.

Jirik: Thanks on behalf of COB for the services in our program.

Shakespear: Have you had any communication from Res Halls about problems with Wifi? I've heard many people having problems connecting and staying connected.

Schneider: We can work with Charter on that. As these are incredibly efficient, you will see less cell coverage. Sears & Preska have repeaters installed to combat this issue, however, they've failed and are being repaired.

Daley: If COB has their own do they get everything that everyone else gets?

Schneider: They pay for the laptop program and pay add'l fees. They also get priority service.

Daley: If they're living in res halls, then they're paying 3x as much? I don't think that this is fair.

Schneider: We can take a look at that.

Rogers: Sears has had problems as well.

Schneider: We'll work on that.

- o Next week's schedule.

Rosencrance: What is the homecoming budget?

Mallory: \$56,000.

Rosencrance: Are you on budget?

Mallory: Yes.

Schieler: How are the tickets for Eric Hutchinson going?

Mallory: We've given out about 600 so far. Online sales amount to approximately 170 sold.

Schieler: Your goal?

Mallory: 1100.

Williamson: How do you determine what students want?

Mallory: We have a student committee who helps decide these things.

Schieler: It seems like you've targeted Friday & Saturday and have eliminated Thursday.

Mallory: Budget-wise we can't do everything and we didn't want to compete with Eric Church who is performing that night.

3. **Approval of Consent Agenda**

Appointments: Student Affairs (Skeeter Rogers, Abdi Sabrie) **Learning Technology Roundtable** (Stacy Klinkhamer) **Student Technology Advisory Board** (Anahit Apinyan, Fakhar Raza, Teto Korha) **Legislative Affairs** (Andreei Agheni, Ben Shakespear, David Rosencrance, Michael Hanson, Hassan Fall, Skeeter Rogers, Elizabeth Jacobson) **Public Relations Committee** (Kelsey LaFreniere, Tess Bunker, Lazarus Jackson, Mabin Saiju, Alison Lemke, Dillon Petrowitz, Beth Madsen) **University Enrollment Management Steering Committee** (David Rosencrance, Lance Selvig, Merissa Daley, Trevor Granberg) **University Assessment and Evaluation Sub Meet & Confer** (Nick Jirik) **University Planning Sub Meet & Confer** (David Schieler) **President's Commission on the Status of Women** (Abigail Barefoot, Paige Sparkman) **President's Commission on Diversity** (Lazarus Jackson) **Diversity Committee** (David Bassey, Tawsif Mahmud, Anahit Apinyan, Osman Mohamed, John Mandebvu, Sam Turner, Gabriel Ignacio, Mohamed Al Duhbani) **Student Union Board** (Dave Meyers) **University Environmental Committee** (Daphne Drossart, Ganisher Davlyatov) **Parking Appeals** Cody Ingenthron

Recognized Student Organizations:

Brothers With A Purpose, APICS-Association for Operations Management, Alpha Sigma Alpha Sorority, American Indian Student Association, American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) Student Group, Aviation Club, Being Ethnic and Queer, Beta Beta Beta (Tri Beta) National Biological Honor Society (Pi Psi Chapter), Cru, Cycling Club, Eta Sigma Gamma, Ethiopian Student Association at MNSU, Field Ecology Club, Hmong Student Association, Information Security Student Organization (ISSO), Interfraternity Council, MSU Magic the Gathering Club, MSU Veterans Club, Mankato Ski and Snowboard Club, Mankato Young Performing Artist Association, MavLankans of Minnesota State University, Mankato (MavLankans), Mavericks for Christ, Mavericks for SHRM, Middle Eastern Student Association (M.E.S.A.), NeStCom, Order of Omega, Panhellenic Council, Phi Upsilon Omicron, Pre-Pharmacy Club, Psychology Graduate Student Association, ROTC RSO, Reproductive Rights Coalition, Society of Manufacturing Engineers, Society of Women Engineers, Sociology Club, Student Dietetic and Nutrition Organization, Students For Sustainability, Tau Kappa Epsilon, The American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (ASBMB) Undergraduate Affiliate Network, Triathlon Club, Vietnamese American Student Association, WELS Lutheran Campus Ministry - Mankato, Women's Club Volleyball, Women's Rugby, World Language Organization

Student Allocations Committee:

1. The Student Allocations Committee recommends funding two student organizations, Maranatha Christian Fellowship and International Student Outreach \$900.00 to host a series of lectures in October.

Approval of Minutes: 9-12-12

Nickel: Move to add Daley and Granberg to ...

Rosencrance: Move to move Senator reports before Office reports on the agenda as I have a 6:00 class.

Motion seconded.

Agenda approved.

4. **Vacancies**

- a. College of Allied Health and Nursing
- b. Preska

5. **Runoff Election for Crawford**

- a. Lauren Kosmatka— an RHA rep; from Waseca.
- b. Jerica Thompson — I've lived in Crawford last 2 yrs. Would love to be a rep. as it has become my home the last two yrs.

Schieler: Why should you be on senate?

Lauren: I'm very trustworthy and will be here to relay problems to senate. Also, I won't miss meetings.

Jerica: MSSA is one of the greatest org. on campus....

Korha: Are you able to make the meeting requirement?

Lauren: I am available on Wednesdays.

Jerica: I am also available on Weds.

Shakespear: What do you identify as some of the issues?

Lauren: Doing a better job of getting info out to students.

Jerica: I'd like to work on the dining issue and also getting event info out to students.

Rosencrance: When was there a time in your life you were never wrong and how did you react?

Jerica: Group project requiring reactions to people. I learned that I'm not always right.

Shrestha: What is your major weakness?

Jerica: I procrastinate on homework but am working on that.

Lauren: I tend to procrastinate as well. Still need to work on that.

Jirik: What is the role you often assume in groups?

Lauren: I'm a leader. I was a class officer in high school and was a history club president.

Jerica: I'm a leader and a mediator.

Jacobson: Who's the Crawford area director?

Jerica: Nicole Faust. Did you also want the hall director names?

Lauren: Yes, Nicole is the director and Brandon is my hall director.

Shrestha: What if you discover you have homework 10 min. before 4 PM?

Lauren: I'd email my teacher and ask for an extension.

Jerica: I can do my homework really fast.

Shakespeare: Do you have any contentions with the role CAs play?

Lauren: No.

Jerica: My CA last year was more of a mother figure and I had no issues.

I'm aware of the problems and can relate to. And is something I really enjoy.

Lauren: I look forward to being here and I also bring a fresh pair of eyes. Thank you.

Vote.

Jerica Thompson elected.

6. Elections

7. Swearing in of Newly elected Senators

- *Swearing in of: Beth Madsen, Jerica Thompson, Res. Senators; Ganisher Davlyatov, Grad. Studies.*

8. New Business

a. M9.19.12.a (President Shrestha/___)

Whereas: Last appointments for Communication Board were discussed critically in the meeting

Whereas: We would like to save time and put the appropriate people on the Communication Board.

Be it resolved: The Senate Steering Committee recommends to the MSSA President the best and the most suited individuals for the position within two weeks.

Be it further resolved: The MSSA President appoints the Steering Committee recommendations for the Communication Board and wait for the senate approval.

Shrestha: We don't want the same thing to happen as last yr to happen, therefore, think it is a good idea to give to this group.

Hanson: I think that this sounds like an excellent idea. I move to amend (*grammatical items*).

Schieler: We didn't put it into spring elections so it will need to go to President for appointment.

Motion passes.

9. Officer Reports

A. President Shrestha

- Committee appts almost done. Still need (4) students for the library design committee; (5) students for the Bookstore Adv.; and students (no limit) for University Environmental Committee. *Sign-up sheet passed around.*
- Mtg with IFO this morning. Talked about smoking on campus being a major issue. We'll be working on this. Any ideas let me know.
- Bdgt Meet and Confer this afternoon
- Paid internship vs unpaid & labor laws
- City University Mtg will be scheduled soon.
- MSUSA Fall Conf. this weekend.
- Rock the Vote event.
- Dress in Maverick gear next week's meeting.
- Get involved in homecoming.

Korha: Smoking on campus – be responsible and remind people. We can help make a change.

Shrestha: Yes, we can provide a positive message to people.

Williamson: I don't know that I feel comfortable about policing people. Have they considered making one large smoking area available?

Hanson: There have been a lot of people going over from Wiecking Center to the church to smoke and many others go by the water tower.

Aliperto: Has anybody talked to residents at the church?

Lemke: I go to that church and will talk to them tonight.

Grotewold: Crossroads has banned this from their parking lot.

Nilsu: Has any penalty been considered?

Shrestha: Nothing has been talked about. It has been brought to attention in Meet & Confer.

Collins: Maybe there should be a discussion next week about this?

- Meet & Confer next Thursday – We need four students to come with. It's a great opportunity to be involved in policy-making process. Suggest we establish a team here.
- Hertz – 16 members short of getting the Rav 4 back.
- 12-passenger vans – may be going away. Approximately, 7 yrs ago a 12-passenger van/trailer caught wind and lost control and 2 ppl were killed. When understand the hazards of these vans, it makes sense.
- IFO – couple of complaints about green fee. Allowing faculty to ride bus. It was the view of the 79th to allow this. I'll be looking into this and you can make your decision.
- President's Gala – this Friday. I need a date.
- Attended area meetings of Res Halls, Highland Park, senate committees, and boards.
- Also looking for University sub-meet and development.

Hanson: any thought to trucks for Hertz?

Schieler: They don't currently offer that.

Hanson: Meet & confer date.

C. Speaker Collins

1. New Deadline for Senator Reports will be the Monday before meeting. Senators will still be given a week's notice. The date has been bumped up to allow for the agenda to be sent before meeting to allow senators to prepare questions. There will be no senator reports for the date of the 26th. This is due to homecoming week and a time constraint set by the festivities of the week. Office hours will be evaluated Tues. to Tues. basis.
2. Homecoming vanguard – Food for maverick event. After parade food is free if wearing t-shirt, 12 – 1:30. We're going to lead this charge to organize people and get them to the football game.
3. Thank you everybody and I look forward to getting to know you guys.

10. Senator Reports

A. David Rosencrance

- a. Student Advisory Committee – Bringing this back to life.
- b. "Duty Documentation" – writing job descriptions for students. Spent all summer doing so in the CSU. I'll also be creating a manual for senators.
- c. "Interdepartmental Projects" - forum for students to come and work on cross-dept. projects

B. Kara Aliperto

- a. Professional Education Breakfast – diff. chairs from diff depts. On campus.
- b. MTLE seminar on the 22nd – license exam seminar; 4 courses will be offered, 1-credit equiv.
- c. NCATE on the 24 – reaccreditation process.
- d. Advisory Board Meetings, 27th

C. Michael Hanson

- a. Highland Park Assoc. Mtg.
 - i. Extra week of parking warnings –
 - ii. Given 69 Tickets (tickets are \$25) – been asked to join and shadow this process.
 - iii. Possibility of an All student email sent out to inform students about parking
 - iv. Next HPNA meeting is October 16th – Wiecking Center

Aliperto: Can students buy these permits?

Hanson: The residents of these properties have them. You'd have to go thru the City to acquire one.

D. Briana Williamson

- a. Primary contact: Chris Mickel, Graduate Studies
- b. Working on degree audit system
- c. Single application fee for multiple programs
- d. GA pay – No flexibility (experienced Vs non-experienced)
- e. McNair funding lost. Hoping to reallocate those services to other depts. on campus

Schieler: I'm interested on more information on the \$40 application fee. Is there anyone we can talk to?

Williamson: Chris Mickel.

E. Jonathan Marquardt

- a. No report

11. Announcements

Shakespeare – I met with Nathan M., Dining Services today. He said that numbers over lunch haven't increased that much but they're seeing more people over dinner. However, they are seeing unprecedented #s in the deli line. They are trying to cope and will have pre-made sandwiches/salads there.

Collins: We appreciate this so can we discuss this further at a later date.

Shakespeare: They very much want a dining committee.

Shrestha: If you have reports or something that needs immediate attention, you can add it onto the agenda when it is emailed out.

Ramirez: Communication Board - If interested, please let me know. Just tell us why and your experience.

Aliperto: CSU Board also deals with dining service in this building.

Hanson: Theatre shows start this weekend @7:30.

I. Roll Call

Senators Present:

Senators Absent:

Briana Williamson; Ganisher Davlyatov; Blake Grotewold; Nilsu Demirci; Lazarus Jackson; Beth Madsen

Executive Staff Present:

President Soyal Shrestha; VP David Schieler; Speaker Chris Collins

Adjournment

Mtg adjourned @ 6:25 pm.