

## Associated Students of MSUGF-COT

### Weekly Minutes 2-20-2013

- Call to order
  - Charlie called the meeting to order at 4:30
- Roll Call
  - Officers: Charlie Brown, Kat O'Brien, Joshua Archey, Dustin Spivey
  - Senators: Casey Anderson, Jared Anderson, Patrick Broadhurst, Bevin Chippewa, Andrew Gould, Brandon Gould, Brittany Douglas, Jacob Firman, Cody Hocker, Ember Hunter, Chad Ledbetter, Nadine Lucke-Poupa, Cody Pardue, Nikole Pierce, Kathleen Pipinich, Timothy Reese, James Ryan Jr. , Julia Standley, Michael Thom, Erin Withrow
  - Excused: Diana Olson, Bennington Ward
  - Unexcused: Jordan Cundiff, Alex Sonnemaker, Devan Resler, Damian Carolan, Sarah McDaniel
  - Advisors: Kirsten Bryson, Pat Schoenen
  - Visitors:
- Approval of Last Meeting Minutes
  - Andrew moved to approve the minutes with the changes of Alex Sonnemaker to Unexcused, Mike saying “and something needs to be done about it”, Chad saying “what Student Government has done”, and the name “Boris” to “Borrie’s”
  - Chad seconded
  - Motion passed unanimously
- Officer Reports
  - Charlie- answered e-mails, attended executive meeting, went shopping for Spring Picnic, got gift certificates for the drawing, and got office supplies
  - Kat- Held office hours, created agenda, attended executive meeting, answered e-mails, and updated the calendars in the office
  - Joshua- answered e-mails, met with advisors, met with the accountants, worked on the budget, attended executive meeting, and collected S.E.A.P. jars
  - Dustin- checked and answered e-mails and phone calls, typed minutes, received and filed paperwork, attended executive meeting, and booked Heritage Hall and the break-out area for the Spring Picnic
- Committee Reports
  - W.A.C.-
    - Discussed food options and will present food options next week
    - Met to approve journals
    - Kat was approved for \$170 for 1st pay of the semester
    - Joshua was approved for \$120 for 1st pay of the semester
    - Dustin was approved for \$120 for 1st pay of the semester
    - Journals need to be in by Tuesday’s not Wednesdays
    - Next due date is changed to the 28<sup>th</sup>
    - Charlie’s first journal is also due on the 28<sup>th</sup>

- Decorations-
  - Diana stepped down as Chair
  - Nikole was appointed as the new Chair
  - They did the “Warm Fuzzies” and they seemed to of gone over well
  - Went over the Spring Picnic and will discuss further in the meeting
  - Charlie and Diana purchased games for the Spring Picnic
- Maintenance-
  - Did their usual cleaning
  - Jordan Cundiff is still in contact with the pool table reparations company
- Publications-
  - Katie will get ahold of Nikole for advertising ideas for the Spring Picnic
- S.A.R.C.
  - Did “Warm and Fuzzies” and the raffle which both went over well
  - Further discussed the event they would like to have
- Curriculum-
  - They met but James did not attend
  - They really need another student to sit on the committee
  - Patrick Broadhurst said he would sit in on the committee
- Old Business
  - Spring Picnic-
    - We need to vote on food by our next meeting
    - As far as W.A.C. is concerned Good Eats looks like the best option
    - Spent \$230 on decorations thus far and we have roughly \$3500 available for purchasing food
    - Estimating 300-500 people, we had a little over 300 attendees last year
    - The theme is Inner Child so we would like to stick with finger foods if possible
    - Some senators wanted to suggest an open seat at each table for wheelchairs
    - Bevin expressed the want to have ushers to assist elderly and disabled attendees to their seats
    - Juice boxes and sodas were suggested due to congestion and messes around the soda fountain
    - Decorations committee is down to 5 members and really needs more members
    - The event is April 10<sup>th</sup>
    - If we decided to do cans of soda it would help our recycling program
    - One reason they need extra help is for making many of the decorations beforehand rather than just extra help setting up Heritage Hall

- Recycling Program-
  - Two weeks have gone by with the recycling program and nothing has been done with it
  - James stated that there is no advertising to let students know what the bins are even for
  - Charlie stated that we are in need of someone or some people to head the recycling program to make sure that signage is put up and the bins are where they need to be when they need to be there
  - The maintenance committee set out all of the bins but we need to distinguish what each bin is for
  - Andrew said he would gladly bring the bins where they need to be each week
  - Charlie asked Andrew if he could head the Recycling Program and delegate responsibilities as needed
  - Julia hasn't been around much due to her pregnancy but is able to do phone work and e-mail work
  - We have Student Health 101 and can also advertise there
- Nomination Posters-
  - Katie Presented posters for nominations and one was decided on
  - Charlie asks that the posters be advertised extremely well
  - Pat will talk to IT to see if they can put up for a voting station
- New Business
  - Results of equal opportunity survey
    - 66% yes
    - 31% no
    - 3% comments
    - About 187 students took the survey
    - Chad is doing no further work with this topic
    - Charlie will give this information to Kat to bring to Board of Regents
    - School policy can be changed without changing BOR policy
    - Chad will bring the information to Mary Kay Bonilla to see about changing the Policy

- Erin asked that we have a poster to express our support in favor of the policy change
  - S.A.R.C.- event proposal
    - Chad moved to move all of his business down to old business so that it can be discussed at one time
      - Erin seconded
      - Passed unanimously
    - Will be using G45/46 if approved
    - \$3084 for games, consoles, rentals, prizes
    - \$160 for food
    - \$3,244 Total for worst case situation
    - Nikole feels the worst case amount is nearing the same amount as the Spring Picnic for only 50 people
    - Consoles could be used for different events or raffled off to the entire student body
    - Consoles would be a great addition to a future student recreation area
    - Pat can have IT put asset tag put on the consoles
    - Cheese platters may spoil through a whole night event and they may want to consider other options
    - There are many different options for the consoles
    - Erin moved to allocate the amount \$3,244 towards the S.A.R.C. event proposal for spring break
      - Tim seconded
      - The dates will be March 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>
      - 12 for
      - 4 opposed
      - 3 abstentions
      - Motion carries
- Chad Ledbetter- Senator and Executive Pay
  - We have \$9000 allotted each semester for pay
  - According to Chad, based on 50 senators we spend \$5700 a semester on pay

- Chad would like to raise the pay scale to reduce the gap between the Officers pay scales
- Proposed pay scales per semester
  - President \$1000
  - Vice President \$900
  - Secretary to \$800
  - Treasurer to \$800
  - Senators to \$75
  - Chairs maintain the additional \$25 to their senator pay
- Josh believes that if this takes place then we would also need to amend the by-laws to the constitution
- According to Chad the Constitution and by-laws don't state that the By-Laws need to be changed in the same manner as the Constitution
- Kirsten feels like it has to follow the same process as amending the Constitution but will find out for sure
- Kirsten and Josh both expressed that they feel all of the amendments should be done all in one rather than in bits and pieces
- Chad has asked for help with the constitution committee and has had one person sign-up he needs further assistance
- Monetary Request
  - Lambda GFC
    - Requesting \$100 for food for their meetings
    - Lambda feels that this money will help sustain food for the whole semester
    - Jared moved to allocate \$100.00 to LAMBDA GFC
    - 3 abstentions
    - Passed unanimously
  - Charles Brown
    - Charlie needs money for his trip to A.P.A.C.
    - 365 Students Presidents from different Student Governments
    - He recently found out that he will not be able provided with all of his food and needs money for meals

- He also needs money for baggage and ground transportation
- Bevin asked how he would feel in representing our school at this event
  - Charlie said that he would be honored to represent our school and our state
- Charlie handed the meeting over to Kat
- Kat is now running the meeting
- Julia moved to approve the monetary request for Charlie Brown up to \$400 for food and whatnot for his trip to Washington DC
  - Erin Seconded
  - Josh asked how this will benefit our student
    - Charlie said he will give a full detailed report and speak with congressmen about the important things our school need. He will also have some sort of hand-out as to detail the things our school is working on
    - He will also learn a lot about how other student governments run and be able to bring that knowledge back to our senate
  - Passed unanimously
- Kat handed the meeting back to Charlie
- Open Discussion
  - App Fest
    - Kirsten spoke on that the Faculty and Staff have iPParties and want to do an App Fest to include students
    - March 29<sup>th</sup> 2:30-4
    - 5 areas in the hall for various genres of apps
    - Would like a student to volunteer in each section
    - Need 2 students to sit on the planning committee
    - Kat wants S.A.R.C. to team up with eLearning on planning this event
  - Tim mentioned that he heard nothing but positive responses from the “Warm Fuzzies”
  - If you want to be in Relay for Life contact Julia
  - Erin Needs volunteers in the Food Pantry
  - We still need a liaison for UGF
- Adjournment
  - Jared moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:55
  - Erin seconded
  - Motion passed unanimously