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**Opening of the Meeting** 

Call To Order- 5:05 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

First Roll Call

Approval of Today's Agenda- Approved

Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes- Approved

### Hearings

Open Gallery I

- Phil Thorson
  - o Talking today about the IT Strategic Plan
    - This is the plan with technology around campus over the next couple years
  - o Looking for feedback for what we are doing and the direction they are heading
  - o Plan to enhance student success, IT enabled in classrooms, secure-cost-effective and reliable IT and many things are planned to make these goals possible.
  - Working with the campus for the key goals for FY 19 like Wi-Fi and the student success collaborative
  - o At this point in the IT on campus coincides with what the rest of campus is doing
  - o There are several things about the technology on campus that will be upgraded through out the years in several places. This projected plan goes out to FY 21
  - o The wireless internet has been continuity upgraded over the years
  - Next Gen IRIS system is to replace the enterprise record system that is the data for the whole campus and connects with Minnesota State.
    - The old system was implemented in 1996 and was home built system
    - Committees will be opening for students to voice their opinion in this new system
    - Plan to have this roll out over six years to ensure a smooth transition
  - o Will be back in the fall to talk about the initiatives that will be working on then
  - LaVonne Cornell-Swanson
    - o Update to the Academic Policy
    - o Follow up with the student complaint about student policy that has been started next year
    - Vetting it and getting feedback about any concerns or comments
    - o This policy deals with the student complaints about faculty

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Contact the sponsoring department/agency listed above.

- The old policy starts with trying to resolve the problem with the professor then goes to the chair of the department and then remediation with other faculty
- o Now if a complaint is not resolved with the faculty member and then the chair. The part that will be changed will be a smaller group determined in proportion of the school they are from, of students and other faculty to try and resolve the problem, then to the dean then can repeal then will go to a provost to look over
- o For the smaller group there would be faculty and students who do not have a conflict of interest to remain neutral in the situation
- One is not required to confront the professor but can then go to the chair
- o Encourage to read it thoroughly and give input on this policy

#### Randi Kucala

- Update to the display policy around campus
- o Looking for feedback and can go the hub and give feedback on all policies posted
- Are doing a lot of forums on campus and inform students about respect and civility around campus to provide the ability of open dialog
- Added to the policy to recommend student organizations show their advisor before displays are put up
- o Put in the policy to enforce this policy to be able to remove those things unwanted
- o Clarity and transparently about groups that display campus should be looked at
- o Expired and misinformation can now be taken down with this new policy
- o Materials should not disrupt work, class, or the general peace to make sure students and faculty are able to complete their work.
- o There are sub sections that are still being worked on about lawn, digital, and poster displays.

#### • Michele Mumm & Holly Schreiner

- o Academic Calendar Committee
- o Presenting the plans for the academic calendar for 2021-2022
- o Committee of the president office consisting of 3 students, several faculty, and some from athletics to ensure all aspects are evaluated
- o Responsible for planning for 5 years in advance
- The semester start dates are by Minnesota State and that cannot change, staff must complete certain requirements and must work around holidays are things considered when making the calendars
- o Want to have balance with the days off so all classes have equal opportunity to meet
- Veterans day is holiday off, president's day will have classes, but no offices open to create a balance in class days
- Move to have fall break combined with thanksgiving for FY22
  - Support for this since it would help those who do not live nearby
  - Concern that students already skip days before these breaks if they want, so the week would be good
- Friday commencement compared to Saturday and Sunday
  - Makes it easier since the residential hall close, this makes it easier for those students
- Cancelation of classes due to snow?
  - Do not have this like the K-12 system. There is no mandate for this instance.
- o Feel free for any questions or comments send them an email

### Election Results

- o 1082 Responses Reported from the election
- o All senators have got elected that were on the ballot with several write ins that will be contacted

- Student services needed 8% of the students to vote and need a majority of students to favor this
  change to add sustainability part to the constitution, only 41.10% voted yes so will not be
  changed
- o Support of free menstruation products on campus- 78.44% voted yes
- Are you in favor of a 1 to 1 laptop program on campus- 55 % voted yes
- o Do you feel safe on campus around campus? 30% voted a 4 out of 6
- o Advisor responds to questions in a timely manner? 30% voted a 6 out of 6
- o Advisor shares relevant information with students about their major? 23% voted a 6 out of 6
- o Advisor makes the requirements clear for student's majors? 34% voted a 6 out of 6
- o Would you utilize textbook reserve in the library? 61% voted yes
- Are you in favor of banded fee cap going from 12 credits to 9 credits 76% voted yes
- Comments will be posted in the office and there are a lot of great ideas for each committee to have as products
- o To whom asked about the major the information will be in the office

## Finance Hearings

- Society of Buddhist Red Lotus Funded \$574 on the basis of speaker policies
- Students Organized for Behavior Analysis **Funded** \$2000 on the basis of travel, lodging, and registration
- Communications Studies Club **Tabled** for the second time
- All have been **Approved**

#### **Internal Elections**

- Fee Allocation Members- This committee influences and impacts on how student fees are allocated on campus. In the Fall they take tours around fee funded areas and, in the Spring, they look at budgets.
  - o Congrats Areej Zahra on being elected
- Senate Finance
  - Senate Finance Committee Members- Talk to student organizations and ask questions to them, follow the policies and update them.
    - Pasang Sherpa
    - John Becicka
    - Jacob Brazee
    - All those who applied have been accepted
  - o Internal Vice Chair of Senate Finance
    - Congrats Sameen Shakva
  - External Vice Chair of Senate Finance
    - Rahul Tamrakan
  - Chair of Senate Finance
    - Propti Niroula
- Nominations of both Interim President and Vice President
  - o Role to meet with administrators during the summer and able to make connections
  - o Be available at any time throughout the summer
    - Congrats to the interim President John Becicka and Interim Vice President Madie McLeod

## **Unfinished Business**

## **New Business**

## **Recess**

# **Officer Reports**

Technology Fee

Urban Affairs

# President

- Last report as a president will have a banquet next week. All members of SGA are invited.
  - Send off of president

<ul> <li>Good work to everyone for working hard and asking important questions</li> <li>Congrats John and Madie for being elected summer interim president and vice president</li> </ul>
Vice President
Chief Justice
Students United
RHA Rep
Committee Reports
Academic Affairs
Campus Affairs
Cultural Diversity
Constitution
Elections Committee
Executive Council
Fee Allocation
Legislative Affairs
Public Relations
Senate Finance
Student Services

# **University Committees**

# **Plenary Session II**

Last Call for Business

## **Closing of Meeting**

Open Gallery II

- Andy Stoesz
  - o Recruit for the open spots on SGA especially at the beginning of next year
- On Tuesday there was a panel discussion with about 150 people discussing white nationalism in St. Cloud
  - o Planning on doing a panel discussion each month and need the help of SGA

**Open Statements** 

Last Roll Call

Adjournment 9:49 PM