Michigan Technological University Undergraduate Student Government

Minutes for January 15, 2014

I. Call to Order
II. Roll Call
III. Approval of Agenda
   a. D. LaForest moves to approve the agenda with the addition of the Pledge of Allegiance, Seconded, Motion Passed
IV. Approval of Minutes
   a. D. LaForest moves to approve the minutes, Seconded, Motion Passed
V. Recognition of Visitors
VI. Officer Reports (usgeboard-l@mtu.edu)
   a. President (amsharp@mtu.edu)
      i. Resignations
         1. C. Cena moves to accept Matthew Hayes’ resignation, Seconded, Motion Passed
   b. Vice President (cpcena@mtu.edu)
      i. Teacher Satisfaction Survey
         1. Will be putting together more information
      ii. Dean Search
         1. There are two scheduled campus forums
            a. Jan 21 and Jan 28 12-130 Rehki 305
      iii. Athletic Council
         1. Darien and Chris will be liaisons
   c. Treasurer (kmaxline@mtu.edu)
      i. Finalized dates for budget hearings
      ii. Neala will be taking over our winter carnival activities
   d. Secretary
      i. IT Presenter – What topics?
         1. Would like to better understand the IT structure
         2. Data migration
VII. Advisor Report (lpcook@mtu.edu) (jjcooper@mtu.edu)
   a. Les
      i. Tuition Structure at Tech
1. Plateau Tuition was the first phase
2. They have been studying a differential tuition structure
   a. This is essentially already in place due to lab fees, etc.
3. They are going to the board to implement a differential tuition
4. They would like to set up a meeting with Student Governance Groups
5. First and Second Years would essentially pay a flat, lesser rate
6. Third and fourth years would pay slightly more
7. Most Universities across the state already have this in place
8. Differential will be major dependent
9. Aligns tuition prices with market and demand
   ii. Please attend the Dean and Budgeting Forums
      1. It is crucial to get student support
   iii. There are a large number of students on the Dean’s list
   b. Joe
      i. HuskyLEAD Schedule is out
      ii. Next week is “How Do I Grow My Personal Network?”
      iii. Sam and Tony will be putting together a HuskyLEAD at the end of the semester
      iv. LeaderShape was successful
      v. Sign ups for Winter Carnival activities will be going out soon
      vi. February 7th – nominations open up for leadership awards

VIII. Old Business
   a. Experience Tech Review Group
      i. The Financial Data Group has expressed support, but is waiting on the State before releasing exact numbers

IX. New Business
   a. My Michigan Tech Presentation
   b. Ways and Means (usgwam-l@mtu.edu)
      i. Next week we will have the Society of Mining Engineers

X. Task Forces
   a. Diversity Outreach
      i. Received information regarding Title 9
   b. Technology Task Force
      i. No Report

XI. Committee Reports
   a. Personnel (usgpersonnel-l@mtu.edu)
      i. Meeting with E Board this Friday to plan Individual Evaluations
      ii. Light Weight Jacket had the highest vote
   b. Service (usgservice-l@mtu.edu)
      i. Will be following up with Matt for an update
   c. Judiciary (usgjudicial-l@mtu.edu)
      i. Bylaw Reforms
   d. Elections (usgelect-l@mtu.edu)
      i. 2nd, 3rd, and 4th year positions are open
      1. Let Tony know if you have anyone
   e. Public Relations (usgpr-l@mtu.edu)
      i. Lode or Bull article could potentially be beneficial
   f. Student Issues (usgiissues-l@mtu.edu)
i. Having difficulty finding issues
ii. Make sure you Google Calendar is up to date

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External Affairs (usgea-l@mtu.edu)
   i. SAM Conference this weekend
   ii. Dan will be in constant communication with Kendra

XII. Liaisons
   a. Graduate Student Government (GSG)
      i. IT is planning on offering MATLAB and Microsoft Office free to students
      ii. Discussion of Daniel Heights renovations
   b. Interfraternity Council (IFC)
   c. Panhellenic Council
   d. Inter Residential Housing Council (IRHC)
      i. Barkboard vs Rideboard
   e. Senate
   f. Houghton City Council
      i. New Liaison
         1. Steve will be the new Liaison
   g. Parent’s Fund
   h. Student Commission
   i. Blue Key
   j. Other Liaisons

XIII. Open Floor (Visitors may speak at this time)

XIV. Closed Session

XV. Announcements / “Remarks for the Good”
   a. LeaderShape Comments from Sam and Kirsten

XVI. Adjournment