Minutes for
November 6, 2013

I. Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance

II. Roll Call

III. Approval of Agenda
   a. K. Dulbandzhyan moves to approve the agenda, Seconded, Motion Passed

IV. Approval of Minutes
   a. D. Laforest moves to approve the minutes, Seconded, Motion Passed

V. Recognition of Visitors- Thanks for coming!

VI. Officer Reports (usgeboard-l@mtu.edu)
   a. President (amsharp@mtu.edu)
      i. Retreat Ideas
         1. Would like to meet with committees individually
            a. Discuss initiatives that they can begin
         ii. Ombudsman
            1. One rep between USG and GSG
            2. Ombuds is someone who addresses concerns objectively
               a. Student or faculty concern
               b. Outside grievance channel
            3. GSG rep could has more experience and could provide better insights for
               the position
            4. Email Tony if you’re interested
   b. Vice President (epcena@mtu.edu)
      i. Office Technology
         1. We are hopefully getting new computers tomorrow
      ii. Chris’s first SAM conference this weekend
   c. Treasurer (kmaxline@mtu.edu)
      i. Logo
         1. We have made progress with Jeremiah
      ii. Send Kyle what you have spent so far
   d. Secretary (srcasey@mtu.edu)
      i. Experience Tech Proposal
         1. Rozsa is requesting additional funds
            a. Personal problem with it coming out of student funds
            b. This could bring a lot of culture and differences into the
               community
            c. Maybe better to take steps

VII. Advisor Report (lpcook@mtu.edu) (jjcooper@mtu.edu)
   a. No advisors present

VIII. Old Business
   a. Single Gender Pool Resolution
      i. S. Casey moves to approve resolution, Seconded, Motion Passed

IX. New Business
   a. WAM (usgwan-l@mtu.edu)
      i. Anthropology Club: $2440 Requested, $2350 recommended by WAM
         1. 113th annual meeting of the American society of anthropologists
         2. Workshop, conference, and fair
         3. Great networking opportunity
         4. Will be presenting at the conference
5. MTU does not have the same opportunities for anthropologists as engineers do
6. They have split up funding resources
   a. IRHC Members asking for different funds
7. K. Axline moves to approve $2350 to Anthropology Club, Seconded, Motion Passed

X. Task Forces
   a. Diversity Outreach Group
      i. Tony will be attending his first International Club Meeting
   b. Technology Task Force
      i. No Report

XI. Committee Reports
   a. Personnel (usgpersonnel-l@mtu.edu)
      i. E-Board reviews
      ii. Office Hours should be updated
   b. Service (usgservice-l@mtu.edu)
      i. Storage Barn
         1. Will send one more warning before eviction
         2. Will send Kyle a list of Orgs
   c. Judiciary (usgjudicial-l@mtu.edu)
      i. No Report
   d. Elections (usgelect-l@mtu.edu)
      i. Election Reform
         1. No provision that talks about the photo in bylaws
         2. J. Stefko moves to approve Amendment, Seconded, Motion Passed
   e. Public Relations (usgpr-l@mtu.edu)
      i. Website
         1. Website should be up and running
         2. Debt wall is next week Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 2-4
            a. Trying to give an incentive to show up
               i. $1000 scholarship violates bylaws
                  1. Cannot do expenditures for awards
               ii. Cookies and milk
            b. This happened down at MSU last year
            c. They already bought more stickers
            d. D. Laforest moves to add $500 to the Debt Wall, Seconded, Motion Passed
            e. They are making a video to help promote the event
               i. Talk to Kaitlin if you’re good at videos
   f. Student Issues (usgissues-l@mtu.edu)
      i. Would like to ask about overnight parking at the Library
   g. External Affairs (usgea-l@mtu.edu)
      i. Dan and Chris are going to SAM
      ii. Open Forum coming up Nov 8 @ 7 pm
         1. Register to vote table
         2. Will hopefully have advance of questions

XII. USG Liaisons
   a. Liaisons
      i. GSG
         1. Met Monday
         2. Talked about Experience Tech Fee again
         3. Gender Specific Pool Times
4. Lighting complaints
5. Complaints about emergency phones on campus
   a. Maps are out of date

ii. IFC
   1. IFC E-Board nominations are opening up next Sunday

iii. Panhellenic Council
   1. Surveys about recruitment
   2. This week is Greek Week
   3. Order of Omega applications are out
   4. Philanthropy and Service Events

iv. IRHC
   1. Travis Pearce is coming to talk about room and board rates
   2. Would like to draft a letter to IT about Lab closures
   3. Will coordinate with Anthropology Club

v. Houghton City Council
   1. Did not meet

vi. Parent’s Fund
   1. No requests

vii. Senate
   1. Many more online courses are offered
   2. Looking at blended learning model
   3. Future students will expect to have online portion to all classes
   4. Looking at redoing HASS credits
   5. One class from 4 different categories
   6. Hoping to hold faculty forums

viii. Student Commission
   1. Did not meet

ix. Blue Key
   1. They have the full rulebook done
   2. Full calendar with due dates

x. Other Liaisons
   1. MSA
      a. Most students think the shuttles are too small and infrequent
      b. The snow is coming soon
      c. They would like to look at increased offering

XIII. OPEN FLOOR (If you are a visitor and would like to speak- this is your chance!)
XIV. CLOSED SESSION
XV. Announcements/ "Remarks for the Good"
   a. Chad accepted a job offer today!
XVI. Adjournment