



Michigan Technological University Undergraduate Student Government

Minutes for
September 18, 2013

- I. Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Agenda
 - a. D. Palmer moves to approve the agenda with exception of swear in, which is moved to open floor, Seconded, Motion Passed
- IV. Approval of Minutes
 - a. J. Stefko moves to approve minutes, Seconded, Motion Passes
- V. Recognition of Visitors- Thanks for coming!
- VI. Officer Reports (usgeboard-1@mtu.edu)
 - a. President (amsharp@mtu.edu)
 - i. New members meet with Tony to discuss USG Office hours after meeting
 - b. Vice President (cpcena@mtu.edu)
 - i. Technology
 - 1. Still looking into PCs
 - ii. Office Hours
 - 1. Will be keeping track of Office Hour attendance after this meeting
 - c. Treasurer (kmaxline@mtu.edu)
 - i. Turn in funding forms in wire basket next to door
 - d. Secretary (srcasey@mtu.edu)
 - i. Lists
 - 1. Updated with current members
 - ii. Postpone Pictures until next week
- VII. Advisor Report (lpcook@mtu.edu) (jjcooper@mtu.edu)
 - a. Joe
 - i. Homecoming is upon us!
 - 1. Entries have increased
 - ii. Husky Lead is finalizing events
 - 1. Please pick at least two Husky Lead Sessions to attend
- VIII. Old Business
- IX. New Business
 - a. WAM (usgwam-1@mtu.edu)
 - i. Sailing Team: \$1,000 Recommended
 - 1. Accepted into new Regatta
 - 2. Increased membership
 - 3. Moved up in competition level
 - a. Allowed to travel to other conferences
 - b. Some of the biggest schools in the nation
 - 4. Didn't know about opportunity during budget hearings
 - 5. J. Stefko moves to allocate \$1,000 to Sailing Team, Seconded, Motion Passed
 - ii. Golf Club: \$5,000 Recommended
 - 1. Brand new club
 - 2. Were accepted into conference
 - 3. Would cover 4 trips
 - 4. K. Axline moves to table until next week because not enough information was offered, Seconded, Motion Passed
 - iii. K. Axline moves to approve reimbursements, Seconded, Motion Passed
 - b. GSG

- i. Collaboration is a major goal
 - ii. Working with grad students to increase networking awareness before graduation
 - iii. Working to improve communication
 - iv. Goal to lure students out of labs and classrooms to social events
 - v. Would like to collaborate with USG
 - 1. Create a joint Ad hoc committee
 - a. Where is tuition money going?
 - b. Analyze new fees
- X. Task Force Reports
- a. Met to discuss why students go to labs
 - b. Technology
 - i. Visitor Presentations
 - ii. Dan de Beaubian, CTO
 - 1. IT development and changes occurred over summer and will continue to occur
 - 2. Recent efforts involve a lot of change
 - 3. Extensive information available online via website, blog
 - 4. Portions of library space are being enhanced to accommodate students better than current spaces
 - 5. Creating a better network: mobile and wired
 - 6. 24/7 operation coming SOON
 - 7. Other enhancements include Plaza, Center for Teaching and Learning
 - 8. What WON'T happen
 - a. Seats will not be decreased
 - b. 909 effective seats w/ 235 computer seats
 - 9. Repurposing of labs
 - a. Open Labs vs Computer Enabled Classrooms
 - b. 13 open labs and one closed lab that are being effective
 - c. 3 phase plan to put in wireless lounges
 - 10. Project has 14 phases
 - a. Hoping to get first 3 completed soon
 - 11. Projected date for phases 1 and 2 should be done by October
 - 12. Projected start on other phases is not available
 - 13. Disappointed if 3, 4, and 5 aren't in motion by next summer
 - 14. Facility has more table space per computer than any other on campus
 - 15. Library was always open for community, and will continue to be
 - 16. Individual rooms will remain key-locked
 - 17. Library staffed 24/7
 - a. Every day with the exception of 5 weeks of the year
 - 18. Kreston Controllers and presentation hardware will not be available in presentation space, but it could be looked into
 - 19. Two computer classrooms on second floor
 - a. Open while class is not scheduled
 - 20. After midnight will be only through front door with card access
 - a. May be periodically asked to show Husky Card
 - 21. Old equipment will replace other non-serviceable equipment
 - a. Most re-imaged and placed in Grad School
 - 22. Not enough demand to have IT staffed 24/7, but looking to expand hours
 - a. Hoping to be open until 9 pm
 - 23. Closing almost all of open labs – No preference to certain labs
 - 24. Projected date for lab repurposing – No proposed start date
 - 25. Printers SHOULD still stay in repurposed labs, but there is uncertainty

- 26. Remote.mtu.edu to access certain programs
 - 27. Phase 1 and 2 were paid for by the university
 - 28. Feels that projections are relatively reliable, but cannot make guarantees
- XI. Committee Reports
- i. Personnel (usgpersonnel-1@mtu.edu)
 - 1. Project Documentation
 - a. Look at forms, They will be discussed next meeting
 - ii. Service (usgservice-1@mtu.edu)
 - 1. No report
 - iii. Judiciary (usgjudicial-1@mtu.edu)
 - 1. No report
 - iv. Elections (usgelect-1@mtu.edu)
 - 1. Has been in contact with first years
 - v. Public Relations (usgpr-1@mtu.edu)
 - 1. Check Google calendar for meeting times
 - vi. Student Issues (usgissues-1@mtu.edu)
 - 1. Meetings potentially Sunday
 - vii. External Affairs (usgea-1@mtu.edu)
 - 1. SAM Conference is coming up (2 weekends)
 - 2. Another conference is in October
- XII. USG Liaisons
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 - i. GSG
 - 1. Dan and Ellen have been attending meetings and answering questions
 - 2. Graduates are more comfortable after these conversations
 - ii. IFC
 - 1. No Report
 - iii. Panhellenic Council
 - 1. Talked about socials to occur
 - 2. Philanthropy project is in the planning stages
 - 3. Evening with Industry
 - iv. IRHC
 - 1. Have Pres and VP, but more positions open
 - 2. Shared K-Day concerns with IRHC Eboard
 - v. Houghton City Council
 - 1. No report
 - vi. Parent's Fund
 - 1. No report
 - vii. Senate
 - 1. No report
 - viii. Student Commission
 - 1. Presentations were given on Financial aid and Library
 - 2. Don't call Public Safety about Smoking
 - 3. Meet Dean of Students event
 - ix. Blue Key
 - 1. M. Hays will attend
 - x. Other Liaisons
- XIII. OPEN FLOOR (If you are a visitor and would like to speak- this is your chance!)
- a. Kyle Axline's Swear In
- XIV. CLOSED SESSION
- XV. Announcements/ "Remarks for the Good"
- XVI. Adjournment