Agenda – USG General Body Meeting
October 12th, 2016

I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
II. Roll Call
III. Approval of Agenda and Minutes
   • Motion to approve the agenda and minutes
   • Second
   • Motion passes
IV. Recognition of Visitors – Thanks for coming!
V. Title IX Presentation (Beth Lunde)

VI. Officer Reports
   • President (Samuel Casey)
     i. Sam is out trying to find a job
     ii. October 22nd student government conference in Chicago, 5 people are going
     iii. Teaching method survey- Sam will send out a draft to the body
     iv. The success summit was useful
       1. Do more small events
       2. Looking at ways to decrease meeting length and frequency
       3. Looking to get more members involved and involved in things they are passionate about
       4. Board of trustees presentation is on Friday at 9 am, please try to attend
   • Vice President (Joseph Heltsley)
     i. No report
   • Treasurer (Joshua Davis)
   • Secretary (Braeton Ardell)
     i. Working on getting name placards

VII. Advisor Reports
   • Jessie Stapleton
     i. No report
   • Jonathan Davey
     i. No report
   • Les Cook
     i. Board of trustees meeting
     ii. Schedule changed so that the GSG and USG go first
     iii. First home Hockey series this weekend

VIII. Standing Committee Reports
   • Events (Brian Messman)
     i. Working on contract for bus for the winter break
     ii. Want to break another world record
     iii. Tug of war over the portage
     iv. Pasty eating contest
   • Storage barn email to the individual student organizations will be going out tonight
     1. November 5th is nanocon
     2. Looking for volunteers for Storage barn to help, will send out a signup
   • Judicial (Jacob Cavins)
   • Personnel (Joey Heltsley)
     i. go to office hours
   • Political affairs (Greg Miodonski)
     i. Did voter registration at the second debate with the lode
     ii. Looking to figure out the direction for committee to take after the election
   • Public relations (Cody Eppert)
     i. Meeting time moved to Friday at 3
     ii. Headshots and bio due next week by meeting
   • Student Affairs (Kyle McGurk)
     i. Jimmie is the diversity liaison, will be working with CDI
     ii. Student transportation
     iii. Career fairs are now going to be on Wednesdays, moved because there are more MWF classes
   • Ways and Means (Joshua Davis)
     i. Did not meet this week
     ii. No report

IX. USG Liaison Reports
   • Graduate Student Government (Evonne Allard)
i. Their concerns are aligned with our own
ii. Will be talking about the portrait 2045
iii. Thesis competition
iv. PR are trying to get a twitter account
v. Election process forum
vi. Looking to make a new logo
vii. Concerned about online classes and fee structure
viii. USG has a GSG liaison
ix. Campus improvement fund, they are interested in being a part of that
• Interfraternity Council (Cody Eppert)
i. Social justice lecture series
• Panhellenic Council (Jessie Stapleton)
i. Starting Greek woman of the month
• Inter Residence Housing Council (Hattie Kinnesten)
i. Safe house, cranking out the finer details
ii. Broomball is hiring
   1. Meetings are Sunday and Monday and need to attend to make a team
iii. Wads is planning a coffee night
iv. DHH dance the 28th and the 29th
v. Elected a programming chair
• Houghton City Council (Kyle McGurk)
i. Reported on the first two months of recycling
   1. 11% by weight which is lower on average than other cities
ii. The kirkish building will be renovated after the collapse
iii. Laser tag company starting up in the D stadium
iv. Police doing more active shooter training due to recent national events
v. Traffic light by Walmart will be done by Halloween weekend
   1. Expecting an increase in accidents
vi. Mtech SmartZone is voting to extend for another 15 years
• Parent’s Fund (Dan Henderson)
i. Parents fund met last Wednesdays morning
ii. SEB was charging $5 for tickets for the winter carnival comedian unknown to the committee
iii. Film board was denied funding for the speaker project
• Senate (Matthew Thompson)
i. No meeting
ii. No report
• Student Commission (Jacob Cavins)
i. Meeting is tomorrow October 13th
• Friend of The Library (Joshua Davis)
i. Met last Wednesday
ii. Speaker open to the public October 20th in east reading room of the library
iii. Don’t purchase textbooks for student access because of expense per semester
• Other Liaisons
• Liaison for diversity council
i. Underrepresented minority recruiter for Michigan tech
ii. New chair for committee
iii. Setting targets for enrollment for underrepresented minority students
iv. Develop a retention strategy for minorities to come back to university
X. Unfinished Business:
• Campus improvement funding proposal
i. Committee met last week, developed a timeline
ii. Hope to have a draft completed by next week general meeting
iii. Google doc located under committee titled campus improvement funding
iv. Voting planned for November 22nd
XI. New Business:
• T-shirts and Nametags
i. Les offered to buy etched nametags for body members
• WAM
i. Reimbursement/advance requests
   1. Motion to approve this weeks advanced funds and reimbursement requests
ii. Old opp/reserve fund requests
1. Film board Opp fund request
   a. Motion to approve the full $7000 contingent on acquisition of secondary funding sources
   b. Second
   c. Motion to let WAM define what fully funded is defined as
   d. Second
   e. Motion passes
   f. Motion passes

• Constituent Outreach Plans
  i. College of Engineering
  ii. Contacting the dean of engineering
     1. Open forums
     2. Associate dean suggested being a part of the Engineering research blog
     3. Set up time to work in the learning centers
     4. Survey to college of engineering
     5. Announce office hours better
  iii. College of arts and sciences
     1. Obtaining a mailing list
     2. Having office hours in different buildings
     3. Reach out to student in residence halls
     4. Create learning centers for the uncommon majors
     5. Dean of college of arts and sciences, wanted to have a Q&A session
  iv. School of forest resources and environmental sciences
     1. Becoming familiar with school council
     2. Getting in contact with the dean
     3. Have representatives that report to the college council
     4. Making contact info more public, i.e. Send out an introductory email
  v. School of business
     1. Using social media outlets
     2. Creating a distribution list
     3. Create an anonymous online question or concern box
     4. Biweekly town hall meeting
     5. Small info session once a month with a food incentive
  vi. School of Technology
     1. Learn more about the other departments
     2. Email list
     3. Starting advisory board
     4. Getting in on already existing meetings
     5. Advertise office hours in the USG
     6. Working with the lode to right a spotlight each week

• Meet Your Org Initiative
  i. Joeys presentation
  ii. Sign up for an organization next week
  iii. Will come up with standard presentation

XII. Open Floor (If you are a visitor and would like to speak, this is your chance!)
    • Some members disliked the open circle
    • Financial presentation by Joe Cooper is use to help
    • John Nowosad wants to be a liaison to the student athletic council

XIII. Closed Session (If necessary)

XIV. Announcements/“Remarks for the Good”
    • Make a difference day signups are live, Jonathan will put the link on slack, the day is Saturday the 22nd, you get a free tshirt for participating
    • Sam will be doing a huskylead next Tuesday
    • Powwow went well not a lot of student advertisement
• MUB board food and beer pairing next Friday October 21st, tickets are $12
• CLCC, ICC, and mideavalist clubs are unknown in the body barn

XV. Adjournment

• Motion to adjourn
• Second
• Motion passes