Minutes for Wednesday, January 14, 2009

I. Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance  
   a. V.P. Van Slooten called the meeting to order at 7:13pm

II. Roll Call  
   a. Excused Absent- Shazoo Rizvi  
   b. Unexcused Absent- Bill Grant, Mohd. Safayat Alam, Phill Mercier

III. Approval of Agenda  
   a. Agenda as corrected has been passed.

IV. Minutes and Corrections  
   a. Minutes have been corrected

V. Recognition of Visitors  
   a. No Visitors today.

VI. Officer Reports  
   a. President (srizvi@mtu.edu)  
      i. No Report  
   b. Vice President (alvanslo@mtu.edu)  
      i. Office Hour Sign Up! Let’s work on our grade for office hours and bring that up.  
   c. Treasurer (kcdone@mtu.edu)  
      i. Packets are available in the office, online, and in Carol’s office.  
         1. Budget Hearing Dates:  
         2. Packets available 12-8-2008 (USG office/ Website/ MUB 106)  
         3. Informational Meeting 1-29-2009  
         4. Budgets Due/Signup 2-20-2009  
         5. SBG/ OSA Funding Hearings 2-22-2008  
         7. Follow Up Day 3-7-2009  
      ii. Financial Standings report- let Kyle know if you would like to help out with this project.  
   d. Secretary (smandert@mtu.edu)  
      i. Student Involvement Fair on the 20th 7-9 in the Ballroom. Please sign up in the office if you are interested.

VII. Advisor Report (jaredmj@mtu.edu)  
   a. Looking to make Outdoor Adventure PE credits.  
   b. Spring Break Trips- Backpacking, canoeing, and Puerto Rico. See the OAP if you would like more information.

VIII. Old Business  
   a. Amendment to By-Laws to include Associate Membership.  
      i. Passes.

IX. New Business  
   a. WAM (usgwam-l@mtu.edu)  
      i. Motion to accept budget revision of CRT to include Internet charges. Rep. Hanson seconds. This will come out of their subsidiary budget. MOTION PASSES.  
         1. Reimbursements- All MOTIONS PASSES.  
      ii. Inner-Christian Counsel  
         1. $11,000 for a band that will be playing over winter carnival  
      iii. Swing Club  
         1. $400 for Uptown Swingsters Band  
      iv. CRT  
         1. $445 for Internet Bill  
      v. Nordic Ski Club
1. $650 for Equipment
vi. Chinese Student and Scholars Association
   1. $1250 for Rosza Costs
vii. MTU Aquanats
    1. $1000 for Equipment
viii. AIcHE
     1. $297.53 for Equipment
b. Introduction of ByLaws Revision from Rep. Done- reformatted and revised as needed. Will be voted on next week.

X. Committee Reports
i. Personnel (usgpersonnel-l@mtu.edu)
   1. No Report.
ii. Service (usgservice-l@mtu.edu)
   1. Looking for a new chair. Chilli Van in progress
iii. Judiciary (usgjudicial-l@mtu.edu)
    1. No Report.
iv. Elections (usgelect-l@mtu.edu)
   1. Upcoming E-board/ Rep Election dates TBA
v. Public Relations (usgpr-l@mtu.edu)
   1. Winter Carnival Pictorals Meeting on Monday
   2. Student Involvement Fair
   3. Spring Fling
   4. Budget Hearings
vi. Student Issues (usgissues-l@mtu.edu)
   1. Sent letters to the hotels for the discounts and are waiting right now.
vii. External Affairs (usgea-l@mtu.edu)
    1. No Report due to the break.
viii. Civil Rights Committee (drfreema@mtu.edu)
    1. The Lawyer will be speaking Jan. 22 at 7pm in Fisher 330. This first session will be for the international students. The domestic student session is still to follow.

XI. Manager Reports
a. Student Storage (snhurt@mtu.edu)
   i. Request for storage for CSSA- to store costumes, and traditional dress. 4’x10’ space will be allocated to this group.
b. Webpage (ajcolton@mtu.edu)
   i. There are some things on the USG website that just cannot be fixed. Tech can not get to this problem in a timely manner. We have found someone who will be doing this on a free-lance basis. Jacob Emerick from IT will be looking at this problem and trying to come up with a solution to this problem.

XII. USG Liaisons
a. Liaison Coordinator (rbriggin@mtu.edu)
b. IRHC (dmreque@mtu.edu)
c. GSC
d. Parent’s Fund

XIII. Open Floor
XIV. Closed Session
a. Acceptance of Shahrzad Rizvi’s Resignation from the Presidency. V.P. Van Slooten will step up and become President. The V.P. Spot is open and will be filled next week.

XV. Announcements

XVI. "Remarks for the Good"

XVII. Adjournment
a. President Van Slooten adjourned the meeting at 8:15pm