I. Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance  
   a. President Hanson called the meeting to order at
II. Roll Call  
   a. Excused Absent- Amanda Van Slooten, Emily Radson, Freya Carmen Moran
III. Approval of Agenda  
   a. Agenda Approved
IV. Approval of last weeks Minutes  
   a. So Approved
V. Recognition of Visitors  
   a. Chad Kern- Interested in second year position  
   b. Brittany Wood- Interested in second year position  
   c. Randy Harrison- GSC
VI. Officer Reports (usgeboard-l@mtu.edu)  
   a. President (cmhanson@mtu.edu)  
      i. Kday booth 12:30-3pm  
         1. Sign up for 30 minute shifts!!  
         2. Excellent opportunity for first years to sign up  
         3. Wear your USG polo if you have it, otherwise something not from another organization
      ii. Barbeque  
         1. Taking recommendations and don’t forget to join us!
      iii. Please be punctual for meetings!
   b. Vice President (alvanslo@mtu.edu)  
      i. One Office Hour week of 09/07-09/11 (10am-2pm)  
      ii. One office hour the following week as well.
      iii. Retreat- 09/30/2009- high ropes course!  
         1. Plan on 3 hours  
         2. Send an email or write down what your weaknesses are- we will focus on that
      iv. Email her about yourself as well!
   c. Treasurer  
      i. Final Nominations  
         1. No further nominations for treasurer.
         2. Ali Sherally is the only nominee
      ii. Appointment- see closed session
      iii. Money has been transferred to accounts, just not showing up on Banner yet. This does not include 09-10 meeting
   d. Secretary (smandert@mtu.edu)  
      i. Updated Committee Lists
VII. Advisor Report (jaredmj@mtu.edu) (lpcook@mtu.edu)  
   a. BOC Policy Change  
      i. Trying to get SAF allocated separately so that OSA goes over SBGs and OSA.
      ii. Currently in Janet Hayden’s office. If you would like to see a copy- let Jared know.
      iii. This was something that was started last year and trying to get passed this year.
   b. LeaderShape- Taking applications
VIII. Old Business
IX. New Business
a. Thoughts on WAM?
   i. Would you as a body like to table opp. Funds for a week as was done in the past?
   ii. Nice to look at in advance
   iii. Nice to get information ahead of time.
   iv. Vote of Confidence- USG will wait a week to present Opp. Fund to USG Body
b. WAM (usgwam-l@mtu.edu)
   i. Reimbursements:
      1. IVCF
         a. Reimbursement $1,212.87 for music license, equipment, and projector
      2. Kappa Sigma Iota
         a. Reimbursement $137.80 KSI Banner.
      3. ALL MOTIONS PASS
   ii. Badminton Club
      2. MOTION PASSES
   iii. HAPI
      1. Reimbursement $241 for invoice to Superior Graphics from last year. (Banner, balloons, set-up, and shipping)
      2. This has not been paid for at this time. This was a late invoice from Superior Graphics
      3. Reimbursement from 08-09 allocation.
      4. MOTION PASSES
   iv. Look for Opp Fund from SAAM next week
X. Committee Reports
   i. Personnel (usgpersonnel-l@mtu.edu)
      1. Election boxes for Election are made.
   ii. Service (usgservice-l@mtu.edu)
      1. No Report
   iii. Judiciary (usgjudicial-l@mtu.edu)
   iv. Elections (usgelect-l@mtu.edu)
      1. Election for First Years- Sworn in 09/30/2009
         a. Student Voice no longer doing elections- do not provide that service now
            i. Can go to hand ballot(scan-tron) or Student Voice substitute
               1. The substitute (Big Pulse.com) will be very secure and cost somewhere $900- $1500.
               2. Elections committee may not be able to handle student’s M#’s.
               3. Sign in with MTU ID
               4. This will not back up the Elections timeline.
            ii. Hand Ballots- would need to be in several locations for several hours.
         b. Did Student Voice cost?
            i. Previously cost the university money, however not USG personally.
            ii. CollegiaLink- in future may solve this problem (Does elections, contact management system, posting site for upcoming events. ) This will take a few weeks to get the logistics ironed out.
c. Hand-voting?
   i. COMPASS used a MTU ID swipe to keep track of who is voting and only first years voting in the past.
      1. By using this Elections Com. would not directly hand M#
      2. SACS uses this too- Sets up an excel doc. Possibly IT could set up a polling system to this?
         a. Might be cheaper in the long run..
         b. Will push back elections if going this way
   3. Feasiblity of this timeline? Not sure at this time.
   4. Might get more turn out if done by hand. Get a positive USG image as well.
   5. Only first years voting- would need to work with Registrar’s office.
   6. It may be in best interest financially to do a hand ballot
   ii. Need to make sure booth is maintained.
      1. Can office hours count? Discussion will be held at a later time.
   iii. Elections Comm. will talk to IT and see how feasible this is.

v. Public Relations (usgpr-l@mtu.edu)
   1. Newsletter topics- every 2 weeks out to stu org leaders. Please send topics to Troy Cogan.
      a. This can include something in your committee as well

vi. Student Issues (usgissues-l@mtu.edu)
   1. Review of Issues in Fisher
      a. This past Tuesday- issues booth in Fisher.
      b. Next one would like to find a more trafficked area
   2. Issues that came up
      a. Parking
      b. USG name on bill
      c. Wads Dining hours times

vii. External Affairs (usgebra-l@mtu.edu)
   1. SAM Conference fast approaching!
      a. Need people to sign up! Leave 18th and return 21st at Western.
      b. Please contact Keshon Moorehead if you are interested.

viii. Civil Rights Committee
   1. No Report

XI. Manager Reports
   a. Webpage
      i. Webpage???
         1. Still not finished. Jake Emerick (web designer) has been locked out and looking to correct this issue in the next week.

XII. USG Liaisons
   a. Liaison Coordinator (amsheral@mtu.edu)
      i. Sign up for liaisons. Look for email from Ali Sherally.
   b. Liaisons
      i. Provost Search Committee (smandert@mtu.edu)
         1. Several publications online and in print that are advertising this position.
2. Start process of selection mid-October
3. see provostsearch.mtu.edu for more information on ads and job description.

ii. Multi-Cultural Affairs Taskforce
1. Hartwig- If MTU had one, what would it do? Where would it be?
2. Taking suggestions- kalvin hartwig –
3. Teamed with other cultural groups on campus and international affairs on campus. Would be nice to have a cultural resource center.
4. Educational Opportunity → Multi-Cultural Affairs?
   a. Kind of there, but the taskforce would like something bigger.

iii. SFES
1. First meeting MUB commons next week- please contact Kalvin Hartwig if interested.

XIII. Open Floor
   a. Wads Dining Halls → IRHC issue instead
   b. Office Hours this week are the same for this week and next week. Book of Knowledge is a great thing to do during office hours!
   c. Questions about USG? None so far- retreat needs information, please think about your weaknesses if you have some!

XIV. CLOSED SESSION
   b. Appointment and swear in of Brittany Wood- Second Year Rep.
   c. Nominations are open for WAM position.

XV. Announcements
   a. Kday!

XVI. "Remarks for the Good"

XVII. Adjournment
   a. President Hanson adjourned the meeting at 8:13pm

Dates to Remember: USG Cookout- 9/16/2009 Hancock Beach, USG Retreat 09/30/2009