

# Student Senate Meeting 10-18-04

## Minutes

Meeting called to order at 12:09pm by President Anna Dapper.

### I. Approval of agenda.

Nursing would like to add a funding request to the agenda. That will be item 13. Darin Brigham (Vice President) makes a motion to approve the agenda. Treasurer Liz Smith seconds. Motion passes.

### II. Treasurers Report.

Liz Smith (Treasurer) goes over recent budget costs. Expenses included lunch for the last meeting and the October meeting, a sweatshirt for the MSCSA auction, the plane tickets for the Washington DC trip, and the bill for the MSCSA Fall General Assembly. The current budget is \$14,896. Suzie Heckenliable (Computer Careers) makes a motion to approve the budget. Carol Gall (OTEC) seconds the motion. Motion passes.

### III. Approval of September Minutes.

Treasurer, Liz Smith makes a motion to approve the September minutes. Jeff LaBathe (Marine and Outdoor) seconds that motion. Motion Passes.

### IV. Food Shelf Competition Update.

Secretary Kelly Nygaard gives an update on the progress being made by the school for the food shelf competition being sponsored by student senate. The programs are all doing really well, CIM has over 200 lbs and Marine and Outdoor has over 70 lbs. Representatives and alternates are asked to keep up the good work and encourage students to continue with donations.

### V. Pool Tournament

Darin Brigham (Vice President) talks about the possibility of student senate sponsoring a pool tournament. Rules would be very basic, and a trophy would be looked into for the winner. A committee is needed to organize this event. Committee for pool tournament is Darin Brigham, Josh Kacina, and Kelly Nygaard

### VI. Washington DC report.

President Anna Dapper gives an overview of the trip that she and Vice President Darin Brigham took to Washington DC from September 25th to the 29<sup>th</sup>. It was a great experience; they met Senator Mark Dayton and many others, and lobbied for three issues. The issues they lobbied for were lowering the independent student age, fully activating the Pell Grant, and lowering text book prices. It was a great trip.

### VII. MSCSA and Fall General Assembly Overview.

Darin Brigham (Vice President) gives an overview of MSCSA and the General Assembly. MSCSA is a student association which all two year and community college students

are members of. It is student run, and all students are encouraged to participate. They offer scholarships and lobby the government with issues concerning students. The Fall General Assembly is when the rules are set up and it is decided what MSCSA supports. There is also a leadership conference where the executive board members learn how to become better leaders, and get new ideas, and things that can be used to better our school.

#### VIII. Voter Forum Volunteers.

President Anna Dapper talks about the importance of helping to get out the vote and asks for volunteers to help work the local political forums.

Volunteers:

Wed, Oct. 20 <sup>th</sup> –	no volunteers
Mon, Oct 25-	Susie Heckenliable, Amy Mullenbach
Tues, Oct. 26th-	no volunteers
Wed., Oct 27th-	Carol Gall, Amy Mullenbach

#### IX. Student Senate event ideas for the year.

Dave Edwards (Advisor) talks about movie nights. If there was a movie night in Nov. or Dec., and then two in the spring semester, if turnout is high enough, there is a company that will bring in equipment and make a drive in theater in the parking lot. A committee is formed to look into the movie night and organize it. Amy Mullenbach (OTEC) makes a motion to approve \$300 for movie night events. Liz Smith (Treasurer) seconds.

Motion passes.

Movie Night committee is Lacy Jacobson, Jeff LaBathe, Amy Mullenbach, Sarey Keo, Kelly Nygaard, and the chair is Dave Edwards

Amy Mullenbach (OTEC) discusses the Christmas Event. The reindeer cost \$300 and are scheduled to come on Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5pm to 7pm. Santa will be being portrayed by either John Tobin or Dan Burns. And there will be cards available to people that will have a spot for a picture with Santa that Amy Mullenbach (OTEC) is currently designing.

Other event ideas include a volleyball tournament, a snow sculpture contest, a winter carnival, a spring drive in movie, an ice fishing contest, sledding races, a dance, and basketball tournament. It is decided that a committee is needed to organize winter events.

Winter event committee is Anna Dapper, Kelly Nygaard, Lacy Jacobson, Susie Heckenliable, Sarey Keo, Ambria Paulson, John Hackett, and Dave Edwards.

#### X. Student Senate Shirts

Secretary Kelly Nygaard gives an update on the shirts. The committee has selected two t-shirt styles, one sweatshirt style, and one polo shirt style for the larger group to choose from. A vote is taken and the group decides that they would like the white baseball shirts with blue sleeves and ink, and the navy blue sweatshirt with gold writing. Jeff LaBathe (Marine and Outdoor) makes a motion that student senate will cover the cost of the baseball shirt for each member, but each member must pay the difference in price for the sweatshirt. Liz Smith (Treasurer) seconds that motion. Motion passes.

#### XI. Funding Request from Nursing

LPN nursing has two pinning ceremonies each year. This year they will be pinning 17 students in the winter, and another 17 in the spring. The cost for this is \$569, and each ceremony costs \$300. Due to a holdover amount from previous years, they are requesting \$100. Secretary

Kelly Nygaard makes a motion to approve \$100 for the LPN pinning ceremony. Jeff LaBathe (Marine and Outdoor) seconds that motion. Motion passes.

## XII. Student Concerns.

Students feel that something needs to be done about the smoking that occurs directly outside the non smoking entrances to the building. Suzie Heckenliable (Computer Careers) suggests putting ashtrays by those doors so at the very least there are no cigarette butts lying around. Vice President Darin Brigham reminds the group that student senate has no jurisdiction over school policy or grounds matters and that all concerns regarding such things are handled by the administration. Susie Heckenliable (Computer Careers) and Brian Wheelock (Carpentry) offer to help Darin Brigham (Vice President) create a poll or survey to see how students feel about the smoking policy and then potentially take the results to the administration.

## XIII. Adjournment

Secretary Kelly Nygaard makes motion to adjourn meeting. Izac Otting (Carpentry) seconds that motion.  
Motion passes.

Meeting adjourns at 1:07pm