

# MCSG meeting minutes 2/17

Tuesday, February 17, 2015  
6:56 PM

Meeting begins 19:01

01	Gordy More: Hi everybody, I am a geo major and I'm interested in the sustainability position. I've had some experience with sust., I work in the sus office and am involved in a few orgs on campus too.
02	JL: Some background, we made an app last semester and received 8 complete apps. We put together some loose criteria, passion, experience, and a relative young age for continued work. We met and submitted our preferences, we want to hire Gordy.
03	RB: He'll be with us for the rest of the semester working on the compostable dishware law, he'll also work on starting things up next semester. Thanks for looking at the compost dish bill, one complaint was about tracking. MCSG shouldn't have to worry about that, Gordy will be monitoring the org use of the dishware and will make sure its being used correctly.
05	AH: One concern was that only MCSG and orgs could use it, so we expanded that rule to encompass many orgs and committees that use the Student Act fund can use it. JL: Mailing services is handling distribution, and they are very sanitary. They will even use compostable gloves. RB: Last concern was about overdrawing the account, we have 500\$. Each piece is about a cent so that's 50000 pieces available. If that's too much or too little we can adjust that later in the year. Any other concerns? I move to approve this bill.
07	JL: Quick comment, if we put on events we need to use this program. SSRC, PB, we should all go through this process. PM: When are we going to make this mandatory?
08	RB: Good question, one thing we should do after we pass this we should talk to orgs about including it in the budget. I don't think we can make it mandatory just yet. JK: Yeah I don't know if that's going to be feasible until next year. JL: If the orgs have dishware in their budgets, we can say no to that and have them use the program. It will be well advertised when budgeting comes around.
10	18 for, 0 opp, 0 abstain. Compost bill passes JK: Financial code business, thanks for commenting on the bill. If you want to look at the comments on the google doc, go ahead. The nonlisting of where rollover goes was a comment, its in this page and in the bylaws. You can see where every cent will go. Other things were pretty minor. I move to approve the new financial code.
12	CD: Student lounges? JK: It's the Loch. AH: That's cool how you put the percentages on. JK: Well, the interesting thing was it wasn't on the website but it was on the FAC transition document. JL: Every bill passed in the past 3 years in on the website. PM: M2q
13	18 for, 0 opp, 0 abstain. Financial code passes
14	JZ: So, as you know, this past Saturday was mac @ nite, it was well attended. We made 19 blankets that will be donated which is great. There were only 3 non-ssrc members there, we requested a serious presence as it's a great way to show ourselves. We were disappointed. We have some more events coming up so it would be great to see you guys there. This makes me remember our retreat conversations, about sleeping up and being a leader. IC: I agree, we had these conversations. Be on time to meetings is also important, people have been coming in right at 7 or a bit after, I really want to start on time. Everybody is aware of when we start.
16	JZ: If there is a better way to remind people to come that would be appreciated. We sent out emails and the like... maybe a text message. SLK: Another thing SSRC is doing is working on starting a dialogue on mental health. We're also working with the DML, voices on MH, the Health center, etc. Were going to have people submit their stories, pictures, and the like. We don't have a name yet or a definition of mental health as the student responses will dictate that. The prompt we have is: an open space for mental health that transcends social boundaries. If you have any comments on that please let us know.
19	JK: When will it be published? SLK: Soon after spring break maybe. SM: We're making good progress so far.
20	CP: We have 3 com chest requests, first one is for Zine, we voted to approve 500\$ request for publishing. The next one we had was a request to bring a speaker to campus, its \$1000, we had some questions about how it will be used. The last one was for 1605\$ for some art workshops going on in the next few months. Because one event is happening soon we decided not to approve the close by one but we will approve the other ones, amounting to \$1070. JZ: To clarify, the first one is for \$500 for Zine, the second is the speaker which we approved in full but I think we're waiting to next week. We can vote on this one now though. IC: I'm concerned about this Zine, its very vague.... SLK: We've seen it, its already created. IC: I still think that more detail is important. Please share with us that you've seen it. JZ: On the note of com Chest, we need to encourage specificity, the speaker for example was pretty vague. We're trying to change the form so the people who submit are more clear. We'll have something next week with how its going.
24	CP: So, I think we postponed the speaker for next meeting... it can wait until next week. DT: We're voting for this meeting one soon, the first meeting is too soon to fund. We're reducing the meetings to two events. The other thing we're talking about is the speaker request didn't have a broken down budget so we haven't had a chance to look at it. CD: What is this Zine going to look like? JZ: We're working on getting it published and spreading it around campus. JL: One note on specifics in the bill, you could create a budgeting period so that they can fill out a form like every other org does to access funds. JZ: That's a could idea, however the com Chest is by definition outside of orgs... so for accessibility google forms might be the easiest to use. IC: I recommend somebody put something on the table. CP: I recommend 1070\$ to fund the gatherings. SM: M2q
29	18 for, 0 opp, 0 abstain JZ: We also are working on the sexual assault policy, we read through the policy and are thinking about getting student feedback. We're thinking about having an anon online form asking about the process of filing sexual assault claims. Also having a forum for students to speak at. We could have a speaker talk first, and from there we could have a discussion. We have a semi set date in March, maybe that wont work but what do you guys think?
31	DT: I think besides the date, the content. We were meeting and thought about how we want to change it. We had a hard time deciding in our small group. The most important things we thought of is whats going to be discussed in the forums. All these forums are for the students but I hope you all come to it too. SM: I talked to abaki, she wants us to get it done soon. It's a time sensitive issue so we should work on this. We were thinking about having two separate forms put up before spring break. TS: Is this going to be sent out to the entire student body?
33	JZ: That's the idea, we want it to be campus wide. AH: I'm just concerned that there will be too much stuff going on that week. We want this to be well attended and test optional is going on that week. JH: Looking at the calendar. Any form will have to go through a process, two weeks is a short amount of time. Maybe a week after spring break would be better. SN: I'm confused, are these two forms happening on the same week? JZ: We will have a google form and a forum. SN: I think we should have it after spring break... or maybe have it one after another. It can just be a longer event.
36	JZ: Thanks for the feedback, we'll look at this on Sunday and figure out how this will go through. CD: Do you know of any talks revolving around this topic? JZ: There are a lot of talks about sexuality, theres a speak series, in terms of directly related I'm not sure but I can look into that. We want to have this be done before the end of march.
38	JK: We approved a 12\$ allocation so I'm going to be working with them. And we also approved ACLU for an event, it should be around 280\$. There are a lot of requests so you can check it out. We also have guests at 8. JL: 2 things, we started brainstorming ideas for Buzzfeed idea, if anyone wants to help with this quiz let us know. We don't want it to be boring. IC: The type of questions should reveal a quality of someone. It will be multiple choice so we need this to be fun. JK: You can make a quiz on Buzzfeed.com so use that. JL: The media board is meeting soon, its once a month. One thing that came up is every year the same issue of printing comes up. We're going to... we being the members... are looking to support media orgs without having them feel like they have to defend their printing. Also the newspapers we buy need to be balanced. We're relying on you guys to spread this idea around. If any issue comes up and someone gives feedback please send it to the MCSG email account. Especially if we change anything longstanding.
43	AH: Continued planning test optional week, we're going to have a panel on Monday on the March 2nd, Tuesday we're collabing with Mac C, talking about social justice. There will be a hint of test optional week there, on Wednesday we'll have a forum. We'll have an op-ed the week before. Maybe a mural with scantron messages on a board would be cool. The alumni fair will take place the last week of march.

45	JK: I want to describe this thing. There will be 3 normal people and 3 students talking about education on social change in this TED like style. There will be posters, grilled cheese, it'll be awesome. SN: This week we have the oscars weekend coming up. We have walking jay and lots on snacks coming up. This Sunday is the oscars and the red carpet. Samosas with me and suresh is coming this Tuesday. For springfest we are in the process of getting food trucks. The artists we have talked to FSTwigs, she couldn't come because of Coachella. T-Pain is something else we're trying. Don't spread it around. IC: We have 10 minutes to talk about anything we want.
49	DT: Working on the year events, the first year reps are working on an event, tell some first years you know to come. RB: I want to talk about Kagins, how we can intervene in the kagin culture whether or not it exists. Does a committee want to take that on.
50	JL: Jim can you talk about the changes? JH: The major emphasis is forcing orgs to follow up on the requirements that was passed last year. There are many requirements but its mainly... staff support backing up what these rules are. The feedback we've gotten has been positive. JZ: I had some students talk to me about it. And there was feedback from the student org, for a lot of reasons the students felt overly supervised. There has been a lot of buzz on campus, the student org itself was doing a great job.
52	JL: At the retreat the SOC talked about this, in the past SOC has worked on this. We're going to try to draft a doc that details every possible thing we could do about this. The initial options that came up is having org leaders going through training... org leaders would have to be certified in order to have a kagin. JH: A lot of it is about alcohol... about setting up an event, how to intervene and the like. JL: Its been one of the most promising options to come up in the past few weeks. We can send it out to the student body. I think a lot of what have been talked about on campus is the possibility of shutting it down. Everything else would be working with campus activities and operations. If anyone wants to work on this... one issue of the year was security guards weren't checking ids and bags. Whats being practiced is not aligned with what is actually going on.
57	IC: Also think about getting people work on this taskforce from people around campus. JL: Feedback on how to do that would help, if we just send out a message we'd have a bunch of people with no set agenda. It would be hard to do an all campus reach out program. A full campus feedback period will happen.
58	JZ: We're working on a resolution for summer career opportunities, and about summer funding. So we're planning on bringing it up soon. JK: This is John from the MCMTG. The musical group wants 13200\$ for the spring awakening rights. They also want publicity in full. I move to approve.
20:00	KF: What is this show about? JOHN: it's a musical about a sexual awakening that happens in Germany, the question is what happens when sexual education happens way too quickly. We're going to do this show with serious themes in order to create a dialogue. We have a cast of 27 and so on, it will affect over 300 Mac students. JK: Do you have space for the show? John: Its happening during the spring sampler so there is limited space. We're talking to Joan about getting that done. KF: m2q
03	18 for, 0 op, 0 abstain KF: Going back to that Kagin point. Please get feedback from people that have been approaching you, I've had some backlash about changes that will happen, we're trying to get as much feedback as we can.
05	CD: Maybe give each rep homework to get feedback and bring it to the next meeting. IC: We have to vote to move to adjourn. 4 for, 14 op, 0 abstain. AH: I move to sing to Jim.
08	JK: Move to adjourn. 17 for, 2 op, 0 abstain.

Meeting ends 20:13