

MSA Meeting Minutes

Date: 4/4/11

Time: 5:41pm

Location: SB117

Presidential Communication:

- First meeting of new MSA
- Introduction of officers – role in Merage
- Heritage of MSA – trying to make an impact leading MSA
 - o UC System Prestige
 - o Distinguished Faculty and Dean
 - o Aggressive growth in ranking
- What is the mission of MSA?
 - o “Lead the student body and student organization in maximizing the educational experience of Merage students and building esteem for the Merage school”
- Mission oriented leadership
 - o Consistent communication, identify areas improvement and follow through, use available resources
- Advocate branded and integrated club events
 - o Branded annual events, drive improved quality and pass down objectives from year to year, integrate activities with university objectives and recruitment
- Build heritage for future students
 - o Build a framework that will increase Merage Standard for excellence, heritage commission

Presentation:

New Club – Diversity in Business (DIBA); Kian Bolori

- Recap from last meeting: proposing DIBA
 - o Mission is to explore aspects of diversity as it relates to business
- Updates from last presentation:
 - o Diversity in Business Networking Mixer will be presented by the HROB club – April 28th
 - Funds will come from HROB Club and will charge students \$5
 - o Diversity in Business Panel Discussion will be presented by the HROB club – May 10th
 - No costs involved – speakers will be coming for free, \$5 student charge will cover lights snacks
 - o FEMBA and FTMBBA support is growing, Professor Kip Carpenter has agreed to be the advisor
 - o Has filled 5/6 leadership positions for next year
- J. Chotallia: What is the expected attendance?
 - o Estimating 25-30 people per event, however this does not count FEMBA or EMBA interest
- L . Belliveau: Suggestion that there are also Wednesday events and not always Tuesday Thursday events
- E. Smart: Any ideas on how to keep energy and engagement once this year’s leadership graduates
 - o The excitement will build after this first year to keep compounding
 - o Show prospective students that there is a space for diversity at Merage

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- Diversity is universal and should continue to attract students interested in diversity in business
- J. Tran: Suggestion to get professor support to reach out to part-time students J. Chotallia: Make presentations before FEMBA classes
- D. Yao: How will you make sure DIBA will have a definite benefit to the student population – more than what the HROB Club covers?
 - DIBA will offer a broader picture of diversity in the workplace than what the HROB club currently offers
 - Speakers from diverse backgrounds will enable students of that background to find out more about their experiences
- **MSA Discussion**
 - Approval of the club provides base funding, but not event funding
 - AGS may be another outlet to provide funding for the club
 - Other clubs do not necessarily lose out on base funding, there is extra fund available from the school starting next year
 - J. Tran: Ask K. Bloori for further definition of diversity – is it just race, is it just in the work place?
 - R. Fitzpatrick: This club needs to exist at our school, the mission statement and objective of the club needs to be clearly defined
 - J. Chotallia: Concerned about the longevity of the club
 - D. Yao: Really concerned about the affinity and interest in the club
- B. Taylor will send out an email poll attaching the DIBA’s mission statement and any questions will be collected via email

Motion:	Second:	For:	Against:	Abstain
N/A	N/A	0	0	0

MSA Softball Tournament; Jason Amansec

- Current there are 10 teams committed
- Cost is \$250 per team, estimated total cost of the event is \$4,000
- T-shirt orders went out today, paid via J. Amansec’s personal accounts
- May need to tap into \$400 intramural reserve funds
- Need volunteers for beer kegs – recommended Total Wine and More, and for clearing the fields
- B. Taylor and J. Amansec will talk offline with N. Wang about financing the event

Discussion

- Find ways to increase MSA attendance
- Possibly formalize the meetings
- Ask to find out next year’s budget

Presentation:

Heritage Commission; Eric Smart

- Heritage = Tradition + Ideals

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- Year charter to provide the understanding tools and leadership needed to facilitate a lasting legacy through an involved and contributing Merage student body
- Take a year to do an analysis of our school versus an esteemed Ivy League school
 - o Get the best practices from a school that does not have a football team
- Asking for MSA leadership volunteers to help build this heritage commission
 - o Team meets once a month for six months

MSA Vice President Reports

- 1. Internal Affairs:**
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- 8. Academic Affairs:**
- 9. AGS Reps:**

Adjourned

Time: 7:00 pm

Next meeting:

TBA