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#### I. Opening

- a. Call to Order: 6:31
- b. Land Acknowledgment
- c. Attendance
- d. Swearing in of Alternates
- e. Approval of Minutes
  - i. Minutes were approved

## II. Open Forum for the Public

#### **III.** Executive Report

- a. President Bobby McAlpine and Vice President Madison Mason
  - i. President McAlpine
    - 1. Launching Senior Administrative Counselor application next week. They will go through many interviews and then will need approved by GA.
    - 2. Project Bridge the Gap
      - a. Successful meetings with WSJ and The Economist and was able to bring down the price.
      - b. For 55,000 dollars we can have WSJ for 4 years.
      - c. The economist is looking at 30,000 dollars a year.
      - d. Talked to Zia Ahmed and he is almost to the final stage of the contact.
      - e. Talked about starting plastic bag recycling program.
        Will be meeting with John Link in student life who
        deals with technology and they are reaching final
        stages of deals with Amazon, which would include



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the fire sticks. Student life also might have some money that they could take up the project if it goes well.

- 3. Might be going towards a pilot program that Michigan State has that their Student Gov. buys things that students might need they can loan (graphic calculators).
  - a. Diaz: Subscriptions are also for staff, correct?
    - i. Yes, we have about 60,000 subscriptions which includes staff and faculty. Only used about 20,000 for NYT
      - 1. Schmidt: why 60,000 is we only used 20,000 for NYT
        - a. It takes a significant amount of time and we are doing something right and if we get a big push next year we don't want to turn students away. We tried to lower it for WSJ and The Economist but they said it would only be slightly less or half the amount.
  - b. Braziel:Pilot program for things like calculators why not start at a lower price rather then 10,000?
    - i. That was just an estimate and we will do research for it maybe less maybe more.



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- c. Nischal: Can someone be on the senior staff and GA?
  - i. No
- d. Yadapadithaya: What is an amazon fire stick?
  - i. Student Life cut the free cable program and after that students reached out and a fire stick would allow for some free channels and a centralized place to login to different accounts.

#### IV. Updates

- a. Speaker Alex Poling
  - i. Don't forget about the link tree which has all the links you need.
  - ii. Senator Khafagy resigned so we have another engineering vacancy and oversight.
  - iii. Fill out form is you want office access
- b. Parliamentarian Keyanah Peters
  - i. No updates
- c. Secretary Sarah Schmidt
  - i. Constituency report due today

## V. Committee Reports

- a. Allocations Committee
  - i. No updates
- b. Oversight Committee
  - i. May potentially meet this week but will keep you updated
- c. Issues Committees
  - i. Academic Affairs
    - 1. Sent message in GroupMe please respond



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- ii. Black Caucus
  - 1. Sent email out please respond
- iii. Governmental Relations
  - 1. No updates
- iv. Health and Safety
  - 1. First meeting on Monday at 4:30 on zoom
- v. Justice and Equity
  - 1. No updates
- vi. Student Affairs
  - 1. Attended CLT and Zia is doing a great job making sure there are more cultural options coming.
  - 2. We will be meeting next week before GA
- vii. Sustainability
  - 1. No updates

#### VI. Old Business

- a. Motion to enter executive session
  - i. Vote was unanimous

#### VII. New Business

- a. Standing Committee Appointment
  - i. Oversight Committee (1)
    - 1. Senator Hickman was appointed to oversight
- b. Vacancy Application Elections
  - i. Presentation of Candidate
  - ii. Discussion of Candidate
  - iii. Appointment Vote on Candidate



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- c. Administration of Oath of Office
  - i. Sunny Saini is elected for the engineering seat
  - ii. Briana Walkup was elected for the Native and indigenous emissary seat
  - iii. Motion to rise and report

#### VIII. Announcements

- a. Constituency reports are due tonight!
- b. Scan QR code if you want to be friends outside of USG



IX.

## X. Adjournment