Executive Board Meeting 23-29
Wednesday, March 20, 2024 @ 2:30pm
MSU Boardroom, MUSC 201

Called to Order 2:34pm

Present Ahmad, Arora, El-Kadi, Khan, Otchere, Popovic, Wang, Yang

Late

Absent Samuels

Others Present J. McGowan (GM), V. Scott (Recording Secretary), M. Wooder (MCD),

Serena Bansal (Spark Director), Jenny Zhao (SWHAT Coordinator)

1. Adopt Agenda

Moved by Khan, **seconded** by Yang to adopt the agenda, as presented.

Passes Unanimously

Wang left at 2:35pm

2. Spark Report – Serena Bansal presented

Bansal summarized the report.

Questions

- McGowan stated that he and the Student Life Director were talking about the collaboration rooms and other spaces in the Hub for Spark sessions. He asked if there were any discussions on this. Bansal responded that there have been.
- El-Kadi asked McGowan if windows will be put in those doors. McGowan responded that yes, they will be installed soon. He explained that there are a lot of facilities deficiencies, and the doors being one of them. McGowan stated that Facility Services will be fixing these issues.

3. SWHAT Report – Jenny Zhao presented

Zhao summarized the report. They asked about the service being open from 8pm-1am.

Questions

- El-Kadi thanked Zhao for the suggestion, but couldn't make a decision right now in that direction. They stated that this could be something they look at for next year.
- McGowan felt that this could be a great direction and added that he would love to head feedback from the volunteers. He added that he was slightly sensitive about security of the volunteers and the process of how they're getting home after their shifts.

4. WGEN Report – report circulated

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El-Kadi presented.

5. Sponsorship & Donations Committee Recommendations

Moved by Otchere, **seconded** by El-Kadi that the Executive Board approve the following recommendation from the Sponsorship & Donations Committee:

- \$300 Sponsorship to MacBreak
- Otchere went over the memo with the Board.

Vote on Motion

Passes Unanimously

6. Information and Questions

- McGowan announced that he will be leaving the MSU this summer. He explained that he had already announced it earlier to the full-time staff. He explained that he will be working on a transition plan to get things going. He stated that it has been an incredible 22 plus years at the organization and that this was something in discussion over the past couple of months. He let the Board know they were the second group to know, and that the Board of Directors will be making an announcement next week.
- Popovic stated that McGowan has been around for so long and that has been a rare thing to see in Student Unions, and that this has been a testament of how much of a staple he has been. They explained that every BoD has had the success they have in the past two decades due to him, and that this will be significant loss to the staff and they were upset to see McGowan go.
- McGowan stated that it's been a pleasure working here and felt that out of all of his friends he still had the best job out of all of them. He explained that a couple of people have asked about next steps, and they will be helping the BoD with transitioning the new person brought in.

Wang arrived at 2:53pm

- Yang thanked McGowan for his service.
- Wooder announced that the MSU General Assembly is next week, March 27. Registration closes on Monday, and the agenda will be posted tomorrow. Wooder explained that there is at least one motion where the Speaker has to clarify something with the mover before it gets added on. Wooder reminded everyone that VP & Speaker elections will be happening on April 6&7.

7. Adjournment and Time of Next Meeting

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Time of Next Meeting:

March 27, 2024 2:30pm EST MSU Boardroom, MUSC 201

Moved by El-Kadi, **seconded** by Otchere that the Executive Board meeting be adjourned.

Passes Unanimously

Adjourned at 3:02pm

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