**Legislative Body Meeting**

**Weyerhauser Boardroom**

**9.13.2022 12pm**

**Settling In** - 5 minutes

[**Land Acknowledgment**](https://dwlibrary.macalester.edu/counterbalance/land-acknowledgement/)(We are on Indigenous land) ~ *Joel*, ~ 2 minutes

**Where We Are in MCSG** *Joel, ~ 7 minutes -* [LB Meeting Structure 1-Pager](https://docs.google.com/document/u/1/d/18LRb0ZFuM9XfCPvuOGY9wnJYw6Ktsue65gDTYd0dQhQ/edit)

Joel

* Positioning new and returning members as we move through transition of starting new semester
* Busy week with elections
* Jordanella still absent with Bobbie taking over
* Use agenda form to submit items
* LB will nominate and vote for speaker of the LB
* Have selected new staff members
* Saturday fall retreat to gather as new LB and meet first-years
* Standing committees already meeting
  + SOC and FAC will bring orgs requesting funding
  + Important to respect the time/work of orgs/committees when visitors join
* Campus committees will start soon and will help make connections with LB
* Standing committees seeking at large members → way to gain insight for those who don’t wish to be in LB
* Saturday retreat will start process of editing by-laws and financial code
* Now is a good time to meet with reps in your year to plan class nights
  + Required in by-laws!
* Questions?

Bobbie

* Can you explain class nights and how to prepare?

Joel

* Doesn’t have experience but Mariah does

Mariah

* Required once a semester
* Can get $100 funding or ask for additional allocations
* Last year juniors did jackbox night with BonApp snacks
* Very chill and doable to plan

Joel

* Other questions?

**Purpose of MCSG & Ways to Address Issues** *Heaji*, ~ 2 minutes

Heaji

* Taking time out of meeting to understand what MCSG is
* We’ve done procedural things to support orgs, funding, and chartering but this is also a casual space to bring up initiatives
  + Examples: textbook reserve and open pantry
* If Reps see things that other students or they need themselves, it’s a free space to bring any and all ideas
  + Good way to find other people interested in your initiative
  + Also good way to support officers
* Ad hoc committees are a good way to support initiatives
* Questions?

Mariah

* What are ad hoc committees?

Heaji

* Doesn’t know procedural creation
* Basically finding group either within or outside MCSG to support issues

Bobbie

* Good way to get more resources for a new project or idea
* You can bring ideas to LB and motion to form an Ad Hoc committee
* You can work on an issue for as long as you need to
* All ad hocs are dissolved at the end of the academic year
* Good use of getting passionate group together that doesn’t fit into one of the four standard committees

Tristan

* Were there any last year?

Bobbie

* Dining and food security
* Student Compensation
* Addressing Discrimination
* Especially in 2020, there were lots of Ad Hoc committees
* One of the most effective ways to get stuff done
* Three officers (sustainability, diversity/inclusion, community engagement) are important to remember to help with issues

**Chartering Orgs:** [**Groove**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1R_RzgSdTPz0oYr11iyx8_q5x4Dnm9TdN7RAIfArUmtM/edit) **&** [**Friends of MSF**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-arLCa1b2g56SkS1EHa1j5p3UYvsaroQkWHd5JCQo_w/edit)*Kalid, ~ 15 minutes*

Kalid

* SOC has looked at charters and given feedback
* Orgs are here to share and get feedback
* Starting with Groove

Mariah

* When we bring orgs to LB, we’re hoping you will hope to pass
* SOC looks at whether org is new and unique and if charter is sustainable to be used indefinitely
* SOC has already voted to bring charters
* After they share, time to ask orgs questions
* If there is a consensus about voting, make a motion and then we will vote

Joseph with Groove

* Introduction/message of purpose
  + Exists to foster a community where independent artists/musicians of various skill levels can come together to form groups, engage in community service, work on song writing

Olive with Groove

* Does anyone have any questions?
* Membership
  + Don’t restrict anyone from joining - people who want to enjoy being around other musicians
  + Member = someone who regularly comes to five or more meetings

Joseph with Groove

* 5 leaders with no qualifications
* Different branches in charge of community, finances, sending out promotional materials, internal affairs, etc

Olive with Groove

* Leadership elected by club body
* In a normal year, elections at the end of the year
  + This year strange bc new
* Going to notify members week before election with ranked choice system
* You can run for multiple positions and can occupy two if not enough people

Joseph with Groove

* No current advisor but looking for one with interest in music

Olive with Groove

* Two meetings a week
  + One short 30 minute with leadership
  + And one longer meeting for whole group → guest speakers, playing music

Joseph with Groove

* Finances in charge of leader with that role

Olive with Groove

* Anyone can propose amendment
* Will notify group of changes

Joseph with Groove

* Charter will expire September 2023

Joel

* Questions?
* Keep in mind org has already gone through SOC process

Laurie

* Sexual misconduct policy → cannot restrict membership

Mariah

* Planning on chartering the org and fixing later

Laurie

* Thinks Groove should delete section bc Title IX will deal with sexual misconduct that comes up

Austin

* Has the language changed?

Mariah

* Old language says you can remove members, but that goes against what Title IX has said more recently
* Working out kinks with new advisor

Laurie

* These things will be taken care of by the college

Kalid

* That was our biggest recommendation, yes
* Encouraging Title IX language from last Spring
* Going to go back through all the charters and include Title IX language
  + Every chartered org will need to change language

Laurie

* Thinks SOC should connect with her about this offline
* Nothing about students on leave of absence, etc
* Should talk about why we include some things and not others
* Want to loop in with new Title IX coordinator

Austin

* Motion to table the Groove Group until next week

Tristan

* Second on motion to table

Joel

* Motion to table this discussion until next week to give some time to work out Title IX language
* Yes: 15
* No: 0
* Abstentions: 0
* Motion to table passes!

Bobbie

* When we vote, everyone should vote
* Abstentions should only be used if there is personal interest in the matter
* Everyone vote!

Mariah

* Another org: Friends of MSF
* They have same issue with Title IX language
* Go into this probably knowing we will vote next week

Joel

* Under no obligation to explain the whole charter
* We only need to hear short explanation of who you are and what you want to do

Sylvia with Friends of MSF

* Already registered with doctors without borders so just need to organize within Mac
* Bridge the gap between the community and Doctors Without Borders
* Goals are to bring awareness to campus, bring speakers to campus
* Want people to consider this as a future path as an NGO
* Supporting Doctors Without Borders campaigns on Mac campus

Joel

* Questions about purpose and mission?

Emma

* Nothing about what MSF stands for in charter?

Sylvia with Friends with MSF

* Title given by Doctors Without Borders
* It’s a translation

Bobbie

* Motion to approve charter

Heaji

* Second

Joel

* Motion to approve the charter

Mariah

* We should table this one bc we tabled the other one to stay consistent with orgs around Title IX language

Joel

* We have to vote bc motion was seconded
* We are likely to try to do the same thing with this org as the previous org
* Unless we approve, will motion to table
* Motion to approve charter
* Yes: 0
* No: 16
* Abstentions: 0
* Vote fails unanimously!
* Motion to table voting until next week with updated Title IX language

Tristan

* Second

Joel

* Motion to table voting
* Yes: 16
* No: 0
* Abstenstions: 0
* Charter has been tabled until next week!

**MCSG Retreat** [**Agenda**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZXs0GjiUrKHassu-D8KmKNERidgXZaOnu5WjWfeYELM/edit) *Bobbie, ~ 5 minutes*

Bobbie

* Thank you orgs for coming and Kalid will connect with you
* This weekend we will get into the details of how we operate as the LB
  + It will get a lot smoother
  + Some context
* Link to another agenda on the agenda for the MCSG Fall Retreat
* Did you all get the calendar invite?
* Time to bring everyone up to speed on what MCSG is and what we do
* Elections are closing on Thursday, so we will have first-years then
* First time we will all be together
* If you’re confused about MCSG in general, that’s normal and it will get smoother
* For returning members, if you have things you think we missed, make a comment/suggestion on the linked doc
* Location has changed for a second time bc of Board
  + Going to be in lower level of Markim hall
* 9-12: morning session
  + Coffee, bagels, and donutes
  + Icebreakers
  + Then going to do two hours of work
    - Getting up to speed with MCSG
    - Time for input and explanations
* Lunch: Indochin catering
  + If you have allergies, leave a comment
* Taking a walk to Mattock’s park after lunch
  + If you have accessibility issue with walk, shoot Bobbie/MCSG an email
  + Going to do team building activities
  + Space for extra activities if there are suggestions
* Plan to finish by 2:30
* In the past it’s been a weekend away but that’s a lot of time
* Tried to keep it short and a good use of time
* Can’t promise it will be a good use of time, but if you have feedback email Bobbie or MCSG

Anna

* What happens if people want food from MCSG?

Bobbie

* Anna, you can come as you are part of SSRC
* Free food will go back to Mac
* Concerns about agenda? Email Bobbie/MCSG

**Committee and Cabinet Updates**

Joel

* Committee/cabinet updates?

Ghaicha

* Last Friday met with Anina Wong about how to collaborate surrounding accessibility
* Setting bi-weekly meetings
* Wants to be a bridge between Anina and the students
* If you have any issues that you want to reach her, talk to Ghaicha
* Will also have office hours

Heaji

* FAC still looking for at-large members
* When we post looking for at large members on insta, repost

Mathilda

* Same with SSRC
* Three people have applied but want more applications

Grace

* Same with PB, looking for two first-year coordinators and two other roles
* Applications have been extended
* Tell people word of mouth and repost Insta

Anna

* The language surrounding the coordinator and what class they should be needs to be changed

Joel

* AAC meeting this week for the first time this year
* Likely to solicit at large members this week
* Moving on to announcements

**Announcements**

Lexi - Bios & Placards

* Send info you want to include on the website to be attached to your name to [apetroni@macalester.edu](mailto:apetroni@macalester.edu)

Bobbie - Election Update

* Elections opened yesterday with decent turnout
* 154 people have filled it out so far
* Something will be going out on social media today about voting
* Still encourage first-years to vote

Welcome to Lexi, Ryan, and Brian

* Lexi takes minutes and does behind the scenes stuff
* Ryan will be Chief of Staff with more behind the scenes
* Brian will Media and Outreach Coordinator and will work on MacWeekly and specific things to be posted
  + Will have a form that you can fill out to get things posted

Bobbie

* Let us know if you cannot make it to the retreat
* The Infectious Disease Task Force has been operating for two and a half years without a student rep
  + For past two weeks Bobbie has been Rep
  + If anyone is interested, email Bobbie