University Memorial Center Board Minutes Tuesday, September 29th, 2015 UMC 245-5:30pm

Attendance: Emily Breidt (v), Austin Rugh (Leg Council Rep v), Aaron Chesler (v), Zach Withrow (CU Night Ride ex-o), Shambhavi Srivastava (ex-o), Diana Pham (v), Joseph Soto (CUSG ex-o), Carlos Garcia (ex-o), Vincent McGuire (v), Chris Welch (SVA ex-o), Kylee Thomas (v), Debbie Cook (v), Andrea Zelinko (guest)

- I. Call to Order 5:32 PM Called to order
- II. Approvals
 - *I.* Tuesday, September 15, 2015 *Minutes 2nd and approved by acclimation*
 - *II.* Tuesday, September 29, 2015 Agenda *2nd* and approved by acclimation
- **III. Open Hearing** none
 - a. **Shambhavi interested in becoming voting member:** I'm interested in becoming voting member but was concerned about my attendance but I'm a passionate member of this community. I would love if my vote could count towards making this a better place.
 - b. **Emily**: any questions?
 - c. **Chris:** ask "what does the M in the UMC mean to you"?
 - d. Shambhavi: memorial.
 - e. **Emily:** how will we decide on the voting member issue? Will you please leave the room so we can discuss you candidacy?
 - f. **Austin:** I think we should add her as a voting member.
 - g. Joseph: I agree
 - h. **Carlos:** The hope is that ex officos turn into voting members Vote: Called the question and acclaimed (6-0-1)

IV. Chair's Report

- a. Applications
- b. Emily: We have one interviewee that can't make it and we will discuss later. The second one will come in a few minutes so let's get by laws done next while we wait for our 2nd candidate.
 - i. Interview Questions
 - 1. Reviewed and assigned
 - ii. Interviews
 - 1. Emily: Welcome Sarah Fuller! What made you interested in the *board?*
 - a. Applicant 2: I want to get more involved and I want to make a big change for college and the best way to establish yourself in college is to start with your first year. I want to make an impact?
 - 2. Joseph: contribution?
 - a. App 2: I find myself a leader and I have many people depend on me and I'm quite social. I was leading my senior retreat program and we did quite a few public talks.
 - 3. Austin: Get out of the board?
 - a. App 2: I've tried to do student gov before and I hope that this will develop me into a better leader and help out my networking on the campus. I'm from Pepsicola Florida and coming all the way out

here is getting to know new people in a completely different state.

4. Minuri: Animal?

a. App 2: I would be a dog. I love dogs and I want to be a vet. They really have the life and have unconditional love and who doesn't love dogs?

5. Zack: Disagree?

a. App 2: I've come across with this many times and usually when I disagree I try to understand their point of view though I may not see eye to eye. I'll advocate for my cause and if it doesn't go my way I will respect that.

6. Shambhavi: underrepresented students?

a. App 2: It provides a place and events. I'm still trying to find out what the board entails but I think in general CU is a very inclusive place compared to Florida. It was just not the same back there. There was no GSA or community for religious groups. Just by providing the events.

7. Aaron: input

a. App 2: I think I'm pretty open minded and I would want to be the voice for everyone in the way that I wouldn't have a bias. I would be a plank sheet. I would take in input. If I am hearing someone saying that they wish they could get involved in I would suggest it for them.

8. Chris: What does the M in the UMC mean to you?

a. App 2: It has a lot of different definitions:

Memorial. What it means to me.. I have a lot of family in the military and Pensicola has one of the largest naval base so I've had a lot of exposure. Its just very important. Veteran dedication is important regardless of support for war. People involved in the military should garner a certain degree of respect?

9. Emily: Questions?

- a. App 2: I had no idea what to expect and I'm sorry if my answers are bland. What is the biggest thing you do year round?
- b. Emily: I would say our budget and space allocation for student groups. Construction as well.
- c. App 2: The website is really broad and I wanted to know more. What did you all gain from the board?
- d. Aaron: Lots of experience and learning for other places.
- e. App 2: I think the broad amount of experience I want from this will help me later. I've mostly been involved in medical groups because that is the field I want to go into. I find myself learning

towards this here too but this will help me develop outside my safety net.

- 10. Austin: if you could describe yourself in three words?
 - a. App 2: extroverted introvert, helpful, giving
- 11. Emily: 3rd candidate Pawan Bishwokarma welcome please introduce yourself
 - a. Pawan: I am a fifth year student and I'm studying IP with a minor in ebio and public health. I'm really involved in CU Gold and now I'm paid as a marketing coordinator. Founded Nepalese student association and now I'm advising the group.

12. Emily: Interested?

a. Pawan: A lot of my peers talked about it and I'm here all the time and enjoying the building. I want to learn how it operates and how it is financed. I feel I can learn so much form it.

13. Joseph: Contribution?

a. Pawan: I think my diversity would be very important and my experiences in student leadership would be a boon. I like to vice my opinions but I am open minded and like working with other people.

14. Austin: Get out of board?

a. Pawan: I want to learn how the building operates and I want to grow as a person. Also how it is a place for groups.

15. Mini: animal?

a. Pawan: Cheetas! They are fast and I'm a huge car person.

16. Zach: Disagree?

a. Pawan: I think communication is a huge thing for anyone. Talking out and having a chat with someone is far better than letting tension build up. I'm pretty open and I think I'm easy to get along and I would want to reach out to not only the person but higher ups if I run into an issue. I would act on any issue?

17. Shambhavi: underreprestned?

a. Pawan: already much is going on and I think having the lounge is great upstairs

18. Aaron: bring to board student voice?

- a. Pawan: I like to advocate in general for students and underrepresented students. I would actively seek out conversations to see if people have issues and I want to advocate for people while getting more information. I could even bring folks to the board if I think they would do better?
- 19. Chris: Can you talk about the M in UMC and what it means to you?
 - a. Pawan: Memorial and its something that not enough people know about. It is one of the few

buildings in Colorado specifically dedicated and for veterans. Having this building is important and I see so many veterans checking the names and it makes me feel happy to be part of this.

- 20. Vincent: When do you graduate?
 - a. Pawan: May 2016
- 21. Emily: 3 Words?
 - a. Pawan: Passionate, open-minded, social
- 22. Emily: you have questions any for us?
 - a. Pawan: do you meet every Tuesday? And how many people? What about formats? Voting?
 - b. Emily: 5:30-7. And its mostly us. I mostly present information and there is discussion and Carlos also speaks quite a bit too so between us we cover most of the information. We often vote on issues?
- 23. Emily: Welcome Deisy Munoz Viesca! Could you please tell us about yourself?
 - a. Deisy: I'm a first year under political science?
- 24. Emily: involvement?
 - a. Deisy: excited to be part of a board. I didn't get accepted by Freshmen council so applying for this was next.
- 25. Joseph: Contribution?
 - a. Deisy: I look for ways of improving how community works. I was in student government and I'm in CU Gold and I am looking to contribute positive change. I want to help facilitate that.
- 26. Austin: what do you want to get?
 - a. Deisy: I want to get a real life experience.
- 27. Mini: Animal?
 - a. Deisy: Lion because they always work in packs. I would take care of the future of the pack. Being able to call something home.
- 28. Zack: disagree?
 - a. Deisy: I would aim to have a common goal and always look at the end goal instead of disagreeing on process?
- 29. Shambhavi: underrepresented?
 - a. Deisy: You have to go the UMC no matter what and there is no where to avoid it. This is a place and a pathway to university. There are a lot of offices that no one really knows and getting out their voice.
- 30. Aaron: student's voice?
 - a. Deisy: interesting question. I think going out but this is sometimes had with students doing so many things. I would appeal to the students and what they want. Having something that stands out from other organizations.
- 31. Chris: Can you talk about the M in UMC?

- a. Deisy: memorial-I think that is a way of having history present at all times. Having that reminder that we are where we are because of past members.
- 32. Emily: Questions for us?
- 33. Minuri: describe yourself in three words
 - a. Deisy: empathetic, risk-taker, caring
- 34. Emily: Welcome Maanasa Srinivasan!
 - a. Maanasa: I'm a bio chem major and I'm a freshmen.
- 35. Emily: what made you interested?
 - a. Maanasa: Shambhavi told me and I like student government and being involved in things.
- 36. Joseph: How would you contribute?
 - a. Maanasa: I'm very organized and I think I would help with leadership skills and management
- 37. Austin: What do you want to get out of being on the board?
 - a. Maanasa: I want to manage time better and I also want to develop my skills further and learn to work with other people. When I go out into the real world I want to have important skills.
- 38. Minuri: animal?
 - a. Maanasa: I talked about this with friends actually! I think I would be a dolphin because they are the only one that knows how to communicate to each other and have higher level learning. They are very friendly and have higher emotions.
- 39. Zack: disagree?
 - a. Maanasa: If I have a problem I would go talk to them directly and work it out. I hope that reasoning with them would work out personally.
- 40. Shambhavi: underrepresented?
 - a. Maanasa: we are supposed to represent all cultures and do well but if we have programs for underrepresented students I think would unite all of the community.
- 41. Aaron: Voice?
 - a. Maanasa: I think you could do that through polls and asking students what they want to see out of us. Also open ourselves to suggests and see what people want to see.
- 42. Chris: M?
 - a. Maanasa: Memorial-I was reading about the history before I got here and this place was built for Vets from WWII but also is here for all the events up to the present and all the memories we have or are to make.
- 43. Emily: any more questions?
- 44. Shambhavi: What events have we done well?

a. Maanasa: the first week welcome fest was really cool! As soon as I walked in I saw Bali music and saw that we have a lot of students just like me and so many others together.

45. Austin: 3?

a. Maanasa: hard-working, kind, organized

46. Emily: Questions for us? Thank you.

iii. Discussion

- 1. Emily: so we are going to move into a committee we will no longer take notes.
- 2. Maanasa has been granted a voting position; vote 6-0-1

c. Bylaws

i. Reviewed by laws and approved by acclimation (6-0-1)

d. Finance Board Report

- i. Emily: We presented at Finance Board so could Andrea please review what happened?
- ii. Andrea: they had few questions but they asked about our capital means and they also asked about MOU and Starbucks as well as general questions about construction.
- iii. Carlos: They want to see how we will spend the additional money for HVAC and other things. We will put this together before the first quarter report in late October/November

V. Director's Report

a. Carlos: no report today

VI. CU NightRide

a. Zach: done hiring with 16 new members!

VII. Student Veterans' Association

a. Chris: We now have double members that want to contribute. We are going to have a veterans speak on November 4th then the Vet day on the 11th. We are mostly just developing new members and getting more people interested!

VIII. Center for Student Involvement

a. Minuri: We had elections and I am the new vice chair and Aaron is the secretary. We are interviewing this week and retreat is coming up soon too!

IX. Environmental Center - none

X. CUSG

I. Executive

i. Joseph: we just passed our outreach bill with the help of our two great Austins! We are working on Gender Inclusive Housing. If you are interested we are having second reading this Thursday. We are also creating mental health working group and if you want to evaluate the services provided and create new policies please contact me. This is something we have been talking about and now have the power to act. We have gotten 15k for public arts project out of the CUSG fund balance. Other than that, if you know anyone that is interested in legislative affairs send them my way!

II. Legislative

- i. Austin: Busy meeting with passing the outreach bill. We passed our resolution about gender inclusive housing. We also passed in support for more student tickets for the debate.
- *ii.* Aaron: can you tell me more about the Gender Inclusive Housing?
- iii. Joseph: we want GLBTQ resource center there, as well as the vice chancellor and a lot of information was from Mary and her task force.
- iv. Aaron: have you talked about Occupancy Management?
- v. Joseph: we are going to
- vi. Austin: this is a document to represent that the students want this to happen.
- III. Freshman Council none
- XI. Feedback none
- **XII. Old Business** none
- **XIII.** New Business
 - a. Diana: I want to bring up the retreat and when people are available. I have a few ideas but I want to hear from all of you.
 - b. Mini: Are ex officios invited?
 - c. Diana: Yes It's mandatory! Also we are sending out a doodle pool
- **XIV. Adjournment** *6:45pm*

Robert's Rules

- 1. Motion (to approve...)
- 2. 2nd
- 3. Call to Question
- 4. Acclimation (all in favor)
- 5. Any Objections?