Minutes 9/9

1. Welcome and Sign-In (Time: 9:05 PM)
   1. CONGRATULATIONS you’re all senators
2. Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes (Passed)
   1. Cristi explains minutes
   2. Swearing in senators
3. A Brighter CMC: Brainstorming for a Better Community through ASCMC
   1. Break up into groups of roughly 10 students - 2 rows, write down things on paper that would make CMC a better community and then each group will present their 2 fav things
   2. Break out of groups
      1. Group 1: 1) water pressure in NQ showers 2) better wifi 3) free coffee
      2. Group 2: 1) spammed emails, heard thru word of mouth, way to condense emails 2) timing of recruiting clubs pushed back 3) registration of party events 1st week
      3. Group 3 : 1) dispel toxic masculinity on campus 2) tailgates 3) better wahsing and drying machines on campus
      4. Group 4 : 1) connect students w more resoucres 2) better retainment of senators
      5. Group 5 (middle section) : 1) tentative event calendar to help w email spam 2) more art spaces and walls lik PZ creatively express 3) better job of labeling allergenic food in Collins huge health risk
      6. Group 6: 1) make the microwaves optional cuz they dont work 2) free femiine products in bathroom 3) FR apps less stressful
      7. Group 7: 1) org a gcal where u can easily add events for info sessions club meetings etc. lots overlap and ppl have to pick and choose 2) help fr adjust to campus youtube video series, mini mnaual where to study certain spots on campus spots in the area.. From upperclassmen hwo have been here for a while
      8. Group 8: 1) open a collab playlost on wed nights for tNCS. No one will compalin 2) more veg and vegan options in collins 3) mre acc ops for volunteering
      9. Group 9 : 1) promoting more sober events 2) identity GE / traning on that 3) impr textbook sharing system 4) impr the app process early on for extra curr , maybe delaying process by a motnh, clubs offer workshops for resume builing
      10. Group 10: 1) greener initiatives at cmc , more water eefill statons, avoiding waste of paper that happens when u print somethign 2) strenth transfer resources and improve some stuff at roberts inc pool hours, better music, student comm oversight
   3. Bryan: thank u every one
4. What is Senate? A Thrilling Ride!
   1. Bryan presents PPT
   2. Exec intros
   3. Crisiti: 2 main things voting and motions. When u vote u do for agaisnt or abstain, if u are in s senator u need to do one of these. We follow roberts rules of order but not strictly. Most common motions are to adjourn, bryan wil ask at the end are there any motions, all motions have to be seconded. U also motion for something, eg budget requests. Motion to fund 300 , ppl will vote on that. Last motion to pass stands. U can also wothdraw a motion - change ur mind. Voting no means u dont agree, abstaining means u dont have enough info to make a fully informed decision.
   4. Q: any situ in which ppl who abstain would then have to choose yes or no? Cristi: no, bryan breaks the tie. If u have a conflict of interest pls abstain. Q: is there a motion to table? C: yes, u can put it on hold and revisit in a weeks time. U have to come consecutively to 3 meetings or attend 1st meeting of sem or 1st meeting of new admin. U can miss 2 in a row but can come to third. If u skip 3 in a row u lose senatorship. Bryan: we have ability to vote on resolutions. These reflect the voice of the student body. Eg early carbon neutrality date. Crisit: minutes will be taken at every meeting. They are always open, we sometimes dont use names, if its confidential we avoid. Any senator can motion to move into closed minutes. Bryan can also decide this. Max: during senate closed minutes is exec board present or not? Cristi: yet to decide
   5. Bryan: try to have as many townhalls as poss , bring in stu leaders or admin staff. We have peter hong and jennifer sandol of admissions. New athletic director is rlly interested. If u have ppl u wanna hear from tell me ill do my best
   6. Senate chairs intros
      1. Samrath: another way to get involved is coming up soon through focus groups
      2. Crisit: running for one of these psoitions youll have to make a 1 min ifnromal speech
5. Discussion of First-Year Election Process
   1. Cristi: working on fr class elections. How to make process inclusive, as ppl who are just coming from high school, upperclassmen who have seen how elections have gone. Goal is to make them accessible and comf for ppl to run. Ppl should also know what they are getting themselves into. Ill be sending out an email w info and sessions. Options are having lots of info sessions, board members always available to talk.
   2. Cindy: ur class doesnt know eachother well, main job is to have incl gatherings to get to now eachother upperclassmen and 5cs. Have a cabinet and theyll hep u. We did cookies w the deans, donations to homeless shelters, events fro rfr to meet juniors who came from abroad, sending out a class inform and put ppls birthdays on there.
   3. Crsiti: some thigns are info sessions, statements pub in forum n website, u can give a speech at snack which will be otptonal this eyar. Not jsut fr theyre open to whole school this is whats done historically. Maybe move to new location, instead of speech we could have townhall where we ask ppl 2-3 qs and have them answer, doing optional videos, what worked in ur hs? What upperclassmen liked didnt like.
   4. 1 - we did speech and then determined whether or not u had to ask qs, then ppl would come up with qs, doesnt seem feasible w 400 ppl maybe a way to aggregate qs that they wont see, to get an on the spot ans that they wont see.
   5. Sam: nervous fr but at the end of the day it sometimes a good exper u learn and grow ppl know u more and a 1st yr pres its a good skill to have.
   6. 3. No way to get away from a speech theres no other way to get ur msg across to ppl, in ur job u gotta talk to admin. U need the ability to public speak. Imp to give them that first test of the speech.
   7. 4 ppl shouldnt shy away cuz ppl are very supportive, ur gonna get support no matter who uu t
   8. 5 giev ppl the op to be creative , not in a formal way
   9. 6 formatting of snack speech doesnt appealm athketes have a 9 pm bedtume, incrop a woa group aspect, at least supported by group they came with., the voting rate is 50% we should encourage participation, making it some sort of format where it appeals to fr so they r more inclined to attend.
   10. 7 Thrwoing out situatins at canditates to see how they would deal w diff issues that ould happen. Eg diversity , how candidates react to those qs can see what kind of leader they would be
   11. 8 Email around voter pamphlets . having a shpeel by the candidate, ppl get nervous .
   12. Crisiti trying to balance out not having a speech …
   13. 9 how would u decide what ur going to do.
   14. Crsiti: didnt reach consensus, heard input last ngiht,. We have guidelines we have to follow, we will run new things by the elections committe .
   15. What are election finance rules? Upto 40 dollars. No donations or free services. Banner making outside appleby. Provide materuaks,
   16. Finan supplements if ppl cant afford to spend ? C: maybe subsidinzg for the spring elections
6. WSJ & NYT Updates
   1. Free nyt anf wsj for all students and faculty. Use full CMC ID
7. Open Forum
   1. Is liaison for adv sercing on exec board but not answering to president? Correct.
   2. Bryan: partnership w them
   3. Dina: special rel w them
   4. Chandler: there r voting and non voting members of exec, they are member but more of an advisory membership than a voting one. They are thhere to be experts in their field.
8. Sam:motion to ajourn
9. Passed