

McMurtry Town Hall - 9/27/2011

SA:

- Captain Rodriguez from RUPD came to talk to the SA
 - There will now be 12 hour shifts for officers at the colleges
 - All officers will have shifts at colleges so don't be afraid to get to know them or eat with them in the servery
- Blanket Tax Oversight Committee
 - These people will look at the taxes we pay as part of our tuition and where the money is going
 - A link will be sent out for applications if you are interested

RA Study Break:

- Thursday in the Game Room at 9pm (Root Beer Floats!)
- Possibly gaming and more hanging out in the TV Lounge

PAA:

- Office Hours on Monday from 5:30-8
 - A time when you can come talk to the PAA's about anything at all
 - Check out facebook event
- Pumpkin Grades for New Students are coming out next Friday on Esther
- The PAAs will be visiting your rooms and will talk individually with you to make sure you are doing okay
- Next Friday is the last day for returning students to drop a class (on Friday)

Active Minds:

- Raising awareness of mental health issues on campus
- Having an event every single day next week
 - Tuesday: There will be two speakers who were diagnosed with mental health issues during college
 - Wednesday: Willy's Pub trivia night
 - Thursday: coffee house night with discounted drinks and entertainment
- More info is on the way

Powderpuff:

- Won our last game vs Jones
- Next game is on Sunday at 1pm on field 6 vs Baker
- If you hold the chains for us during the game you get new student service hours

Volleyball:

- This Friday we are hoping to start our weekly volleyball at 3pm.
- Just show up in the quad and everyone will go over to the courts and play
- Potential for badminton as well

Lunchtime Announcements:

- If you have an announcement during lunch you can just go up to the front use the microphone to tell the commons what you have going on
- Not everyone goes to Town Hall so this is a good way to spread information

Freshmen Service hours:

- These are hours you do to help out the college
- There will be many different things you can do for the committees
- all new students should complete 4 hours
- This affects your housing next year.
 - All freshmen have 2 points for housing, which affects the priority you get for choosing your room
 - 4 or more hours and you get all 2 points
 - 2-4 hours and you only get 1 point, so you choose your room behind your classmates
 - If you complete less than 2 hours, you will NOT get housing the next year, so you really need to get more than 2 hours
 - These are only college specific hours not university wide service hours
 - Transfer students must get these too
- There will be lots of opportunities for hours
- We are going to hold a committee fair next Monday at 8pm where you can meet the heads and sign up for things

- A Google Doc and Calendar will be going out later tonight
 - Doc: list of names and points
 - Calendar: all events where you can earn these hours

Voting Item: Housing By-Laws

- Vote:
 - 14 Voting Members Present
 - For: 14
 - Against: 0
 - Abstain: 0

Quiet Hours:

- We are the only college that doesn't have quiet hours
- The university does not impose any on the colleges
- The hours we are looking at would be midnight on weekdays and 2am on weekend probably until 8-10 am
 - not a curfew but at these hours you wouldn't be running around screaming or playing loud music, etc.
 - Be respectful for people you live by
 - Enforced Common Decency
- Also a health issue because you are more aware of how much sleep you are getting
- It would be enforced by the CJ and the college court
- This does not mean that you can't make noise complaints before these hours
- If you have any more questions about it talk to the CJ, Matt Rhode

Hall Reps:

- Somebody on each all will be selected to know everyone on the hall and be a sort of hall bonding facilitator.
- Some things they could do is inform their hall of things going on in the college or maybe keep track of birthdays on the hall or even organize hall gathering events
- Submit nominations (people from any year) to Kevin Lin, Chris Barnes, or Matthew Rhode
 - These should include a few sentences about why you think a certain person should be your hall rep
- Hall divisions: By colors and floors (ex. 4 yellow or 2 orange), divided at the RA suites
- They are open to suggestions about hall reps

McMurtry College Mixer:

- We are planning to have a grill-out on Saturday for dinner
- There will be games there too: croquet, bocce ball, badminton, etc.
- We want everyone to come out and meet new people
- It is a free meal with no effort
- McMurtry Wide Event
- There will be lots of announcements about it

Lisa:

- Friday at 8pm the masters are having Murt Cafe
- Seniors are gathering on Saturday at 4pm at the masters house for food
- Monday we are having a speaker come to talk on the brain, the mind, and politics. The time is not set yet but more info from Lisa will be coming out

Other:

- The Deck Committee is moving forward and analyzing the McMurtry Quad blueprints for the decks
- Impact Rice, a leadership retreat for freshmen and sophomores staffed by students, applications have been released so see Risa or the flyers for details
- A set of regulations for when the stacks can be used and what their volume limits should be is being established
- McMurtry Day is Coming
- Tampering with mail in Tabitha's office is a federal offense so don't mess with other peoples' stuff