

Town Hall
September 4th, 2012

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Tonight is the night, McMurtry. Welcome to the glorious nation of Amurtica, a land filled with beautiful people who bleed purple, concrete floors and cinder block walls and doors that are definitely NOT bolted, and more passion and intelligence than any other college in this great world of Rice. People are dressed in patriotic colors, with lots of red, white, blue, and purple. Tim Gunn may cringe, but we think it's fabuuuuuulousssss. There are yummy cookies, chips, fruit snacks, and cake. Nom nom nom.

- **Introductions**

- First Year Reps
 - Juan Cruz
 - Andrea Kopczynski
 - Kate Nicholson
 - They will be representing the class of 2016 – give them opinions for voting matters and such
- New Student Reps
 - Academics – Dorin Azerad
 - Student Life- Lauren Rutherford
 - Best Practices—Gabriel Teo, Gabriella de Lima and Emily Statham
 - Environmental – Muhammad Harirah,
 - Let them know about campus wide issues that you want addressed
- McM RUPD officers
 - Officer Alejandro – He has a super cool stache, a super cool accent and is super excited to be at McMurtry!
 - He reassures us that RUPD's main goal is to make the campus safe, not to bust students
 - Apparently we have a reputation for locking ourselves out of our rooms :/ AHEM JOHN LEE.
 - But on a more serious note
 - intoxication calls —just know your limits and make sure you take care of each other
 - Also, if you see a heavy set bald guy walking around McM, say hi! That's officer Tellar. We like him.
- McM U-Court Reps
 - M&M (Michelle and Matt)

- If you get in trouble with SJP (Student Judicial Programs) go talk to them. They will protect you. Sort of? They'll help you out with the process. But try not to get in trouble because emails from SJP are not super fun.
- New amnesty policy is super important so make sure you know about it
- New McM Website
 - Adam is booting people off the bench. They just got voted off the island ☹ Well this is awkward.
 - Ohhh the woes of technical difficulties.....eventually we get the screen on.
 - NEW WEBSITE AS OF 1 HR AGO!!!
 - New photos!!! Ahhhhhh yeaaaaah
 - Purple highlights WHAT?!?!?
 - College blog and college events calendar
 - Empty ☹ but we want to fill it up with lovely committee activities
 - McMinistry Members
 - Have super cute pictures
 - Rooms reservations ---- SOOOOO MANY
 - Archived minutes just in case you miss a town hall. Tisk tisk
 - Need some people to re-write the pages "about McM" because right now we look like a scrub college but we have some awesome traditions that need to be known by all
 - OOOOPPS – McMurtry was spelled wrong ☹ But for reals, give Kevin and Adam a break. They have been working on this website endlessly for weeks (serious props to them)
- **Updates**
 - Chief Justice Report
 - Noahs emails may be annoying but they are super important!
 - We need to be reminded about community standards. We are only 2 weeks into the school year and there have already been many issues already
 - Game room pool cues broken, HDMI cable stolen, library was trashed, Burt's tea house trashed (the fridge was unplugged and food rotted/a packets worth of sugar was dumped on the couch), oven in 3rd floor kitchen was left on for 3 to 4 hours
 - Letting people into the building is a big NO NO. We don't want creepers around
 - Peoples stuff can get stolen and we don't want this to happen
 - Words of wisdom from Noah – "Just love each other!"
 - Centennial Committee
 - Lovette sucks but WE STILL GOT SECOND PLACE !!

- Got 5 points to centennial cup from Sammy's picnic turnout. Remember, winners get \$1000 which we desperately need, SO KEEP IT UP!
 - Need lots of student volunteers for centennial weekend!!
 - Incentives include a centennial medallion! Seriously its once in a lifetime thing...unless you plan on living for 100 more years
 - Sing ups will be sent out later via listserv when events come up
 - The "spectacle"
 - It's a sound and light extravaganza that is making its debut in the US for the first time – NO ONE HAS EVER SEEN THIS SHOW!!!!
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- **Announcements (rapid fire round)**
 - Sports
 - Lots and lots of sports deadlines
 - By Monday we need McM womens basket ball, billiards, and a cross country race
 - All Vlad cares about is the ping pong tournament which is tbd
 - Powderpuff Game!!!
 - First game is Sunday Sept 9th at 1pm
 - All should be there and help cheerlead against brown
 - Sean is head cheerleader – damn he looks good in a mini skirt – need a pumped up crowd, so come talk to him
 - Juan was a cheerleader in high school, so you should do it too! Seriously, can you pass up a chance to throw around pompoms and wear short shorts?
 - Well maybe if they are on Sean, but still come out and cheer for your ladies!!!
 - Mr. Rice Competition
 - One male member from each college competes in a super awesome competition and we need a rep by THURSDAY
 - Veteran Peter will talk about his experience
 - "It can be super awkward at times...but you should totally do it! And WIN...because I didn't win last year ☹"
 - **Discussion/Voting**
 - McBudget
 - Yay pretty pie chart!!!
 - Total budget \$44300 – fixed deductions = \$16,527.5 for this semester
 - Left over money?
 - If committees spent their money well they will most likely have a rollover and if not it may not be allocated to them again

- This is just to keep committees in check and make sure they are spending the money they said they were going to and not just sitting on it
- Voting (lead by Kelsey)
 - Everyone agrees and Kelsey thinks that its “just great”
 - Yyyyyy budget passed!!!
- Extra announcements
 - Paa’s --- not really sure what just happened but they know what we did last summer? (ASIDE FROM PAA TYLER: YOU’LL FIND OUT SOON!)
 - Cultural Committee
 - Do it!
 - Grant is really excited that people are excited. Yay culture!
- Costume Competition
 - So many patriotic outfits and everyone looks so good! In the end, the winner is Meaghan! THAT’S TYLER’S FRESHMANNNNNNN.