Senate Meeting 10/19/2009

Members in Attendance:
Peter Bourell
Chris Schneller
Matt Pommerening
Andrea Westman
Camden Tissue
Alison Barrow
Brad Walker
Katherine Lusk
Colin Massey
Airat Agbetoba
Reem Sabouni
Zane Martindale
Thomas Kessinger
Stephen Harding

1) Jason Bourland with the Student Ambassadors spoke about the Dollars for Scholars Program. The Student Senate decided to sponsor the Dollars for Scholars’ fundraising campaign with a unanimous vote.

2) The following Student Senate Bylaws will be added or modified at a later date (all changes were approved unanimously):
   i) A standard election announcement protocol will be added to the bylaws to be used for all future class senator and class president elections.
   ii) A modification of the bylaws to allow the Student Senate to accept nominations for Senate President.

3) Steven Hermann was nominated and approved for SIC Representative.

4) Chris Schneller proposed a modification to allow fourth year pediatric critical care electives to be counted as full credit for the critical care requirements during fourth year. Details will be presented to the Student Senate at a future date.

5) The Student Senate decided with a unanimous vote to discontinue AMA and AMSA school-wide e-mail privileges due to concerns of fairness for all student organizations. The Senate also discussed reviewing and posting email use guidelines established in 2007.

6) Student Senate Funding and Allotment of Funds
   a) Total to be dispersed: $12,509.35
      i) $10,000 to the four classes:
         (1) MSI- $1,000
         (2) MSII- $3,000
         (3) MSIII- $0
         (4) MSIV- $6,000
   b) $2,100 to multiple organizations
      (1) MSB Recycling: $350
      (2) SNMA: $500
      (3) APAMSA: $326.35
      (4) AMWA: $300
      (5) SIGHT: $433
      (6) UT Wellness: $200
      (7) AIMS: $150
      (8) PM&R Interest Group: $0
         (i) Yes: 6, No: 8.
      (9) SSA- $250

***The decisions as to the allotment of funds to each organization, unless specified otherwise, were all unanimous***

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