MEChA

June 26, 1997

1. Rhythm & Booms Update (BAD & GOOD News!!!)
   - We have been bumped off from concession stand
   - But, have been guaranteed at least $300 if we help collect donations → could get up to $1000 or more…

     …… 10% of what is collected from the crowd is distributed among the groups helping. From that each group gets a certain percentage based on how many people each group has.

     Ex: For every 100 collectors, if we have 20-25 people, we then get ¼ of the total collected.

     If the 100 people collect 40,000 (what is estimated) then we will get $1000 out of that for our group alone.

*** Saturday, July 5th, 5 to 8 (need to gather as a group at least by 4:45 at Warner Park)

2. Dolores Huerta Visit/Exhibit:
   - Nora and I have made a final decision on Dolores's visit.
   - she will only come if there is an opportunity for her to raise money for UFW (understandable). So no Hermanos Avila
   - There will be a fundraising dinner/lunch for the UFW
   - The exhibit … we are in the process of working that out, more than likely will happen.

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3. Other events/proposals/news:
   - Nat'l Student Association Congress/Government Conference will be held here at UW July 21st-27th.
     Mecha has been asked if there are any people interested in being delegates, organizers, participants.
     ■ Nat'l People of Color Student Caucus Retreat July 18-20

   - Webpage

   - Dia de los Muertos

   - Midwest Leadership Conference (Janie)

   - Newsletter/pamphlet

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Wednesday, October 29, 1997

IN RE: Amendment to the MEChA Constitution approved on Wednesday, October 22, 1997

Upon further revision, I have noticed several modifications which were not conveyed properly in the document passed as the MEChA Constitution last Wednesday. As a member of the MEChA Constitution Reconstruction Committee, I expect the following amendments will encompass more accurately the revisions made by the committee;

• Article III Membership

Membership in this organization shall be open to anyone regardless of race, religion, or national origin. An official member;

Should have read

• Article III Membership

Membership in this organization shall be open to anyone regardless of age, disability, gender, national origin, race, religion, or sexual orientation. An official member;

• By-Laws

1. Regular MEChA meetings shall be held on a weekly basis or at such other times as may be decided upon by a majority of the members at a previous meeting.

Should have read

• By-Laws

1. Regular MEChA meetings shall be held every other week or at such other times as may be decided upon by a majority of the members at a previous meeting.

M. E. Ch. A.

October 29,1997

Agenda

I. SSFC Funding Update
- Susan Colorado from IMCC
- E-mail from Vance Gathing
- Article in Cardinal

II. Dia de los Muertos
- Altar
- Main Event

III. Homecoming Event Update

IV. Constitution
- Membership Concerns

V. Elections (7:45 - 8:30 PM)
- President
- Vice-President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Parlimentarian
- Historian

November 5, 1997
Minutes: 6:15-8:53

M.E.Ch.A

I. MEChA Rules of Order for Today--Vero, Parliamentarian

-Meeting will be facilitated by Veronica whom will take a list of names for speaking order.

-Meet after meeting if you are interested in participating in committee for rules of order.

II. Any new announcements of upcoming events

-Chicano Studies Teatro meets Mondays at 7:30 pm in 6321 Humanities. Anyone who wants to join speak to Debra Pontillo in Chicano Studies.

-The Chicano Studies Film Series Kickoff will be held Nov. 17 at 7:00 pm in the Play Circle, Memorial Union. Guest speaker: Ray Santisteban.

-An informational picket will be held at Whole Foods on Nov.8 at 11:00 am. Lori from the AFL-CIO will be there to give more information.

Additional announcements:

Tony: Sergio will be on the WORT radio show on Nov.6 from 8:10-15 am

Sergio: ISO is interested in throwing a party and invited MEChA in celebration of our recent SSFC victory. Also, Apwood Community Center is looking for tutoring volunteers, if anyone is interested contact their office.

Janie: Centro Hispano is also in need of tutoring volunteers, and applications are in MEChA office. Andres is offering a ride on mon. and wed., if needed.

III. Homecoming Event

-Invited guest from other organizations

David Muhammod, rep. of BSU: said they understand how we had to stand our ground against the "Mexican-Pepsi" incident, but also wanted to let MEChA know that the situation(e-mails, comments, etc.) is getting out of hand. Came to offer solidarity and suggest that we find a way for the various organizations to co-exist, where we may disagree, yet work together.

Rogelio Herrera, former UW student and Colectiva chair: came to suggest that MEChA develop a network of communication with other organizations.

DICUSSION:

MEChA members clarified that the boycott against the Celebration of Cultures was a stand against the Homecoming Committee not against the participating organizations. MEChA also did approach several organizations but our recruitment of other organizations was not successful and the communication component will be worked on for future association.

IV. SSFC Funding Outcome

-Janie announced that we received $20,000 from SSFC for MEChAs 1998-99 budget.

7:30pm-Walk-ins: Amanda Klonsky and Vance Gatherings, CRDC reps.

announced a Board of Regents meeting will be held Nov. 6 at 1:00pm in Van Hise,? floor. The regents will be discussing the 10 year plan for diversity on the UW campus. Asked for our support either in form of letter writing or sitting in on the meeting. Janie will contact Amanda to let her know who will go to the meeting.

DISCUSSION

-Letter of Apology to student organizations

Motion made by Debra to distribute her letter of apology with amendment(to take out any reference to Joe, 9+, 5-, 2A) as MEChAs to the organizations that participated in the Celebration of Cultures.

2nd by Sergio

Andres call the question

13+, 2-, 1A

V. Dia de los Muertos

-The event will be held Nov.8 at 7:00pm in the Great Hall, Memorial Union.

-Helpers: Anyone interested sign up with Nora after meeting.

-David M. announced a BSU party to be held after the dance at Gordon Commons, $2 at door.

VI. Midwest MEChA Regional Meeting

-will be held Nov.22-23 at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor. Anyone interested in going speak to Beckie after meeting. Next meeting will be Nov. 11 at 7:00pm at MEChA.

VII. Roberto Rodriguez and Patrisia Gonzales

-will be here on Nov. 17 -18. Will hold two brown bags and two workshops. If anyone is interested in helping out call or e-mail Ofelia .

VIII. Any other Announcements

-Beckie will be distributing raffle tickets to MEChA members who are interested in selling them for a $1. We will be raffling off the Bucky coupon book($35 value)at the Dia de los Muertos dance. Money earned will be given to Becky for her to turn in to MEChA treasurer.

-Amendment: Bi-weekly meetings

motion made by Debra to change weekly MEChA meetings to bi-weekly.

2nd by Robi

Debra call the question

favor: unanimous.

November 19, 1997
minutes: 6:02-8:15 PM

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Walk-in: Patrisia from AFL-CIO

gave information on the organizing institute that will be in Madison on Dec.5. It is a 3 day intensive weekend course that teaches the basics for campaign strategy to potential organizers. Housing and food provided. She passed out flyers and mail in sign-up sheets. Tony Passarelli is the AFL-CIO contact person for Madison his pager # is 888-896-9390.

-Janie appointed Nora Parliamentarian for the meeting.

I. Roberto Rodriguez and Patrisia Gonzales Turnout

-There was a low turnout it was probably due to the times they were scheduled. Hopefully next time their schedule is more flexible.

-Books $19

II. Report from the Treasurer: Stephanie

-As of today we have $265.45.

-Stephanie will approach new members with constitution and let them know about our $5 membership fee.

III. Need to get started on second semester

-Janie announced that she will have the agenda out on e-mail before next meeting(every meeting). Also lets members know if they want something on the agenda to get it to her before a meeting.

-Events:

Daniel: Migrant Photo Exhibit will be held April 28 - May 10 and hopefully longer. Proposals will be submitted in January. Committee to help Daniel will meet after meeting.

-Second semester events committee

motion made by Dora to set up committee to bring proposals for second semester events to MEChAs full membership with dates, proposed budget, and reasons. Janie appointed John as chair of the committee and must bring proposals by next MEChA meeting, Dec. 3.

2nd by John

Betty call the question

13+, 0-, 0A

-MEChA Membership folder

Motion made by Betty for staff to prepare membership folders that will consist of 3 documents and a letter outlining the procedures to becoming a member of MEChA. Folders must be ready by next meeting, Dec. 3.

2nd by Dora
Betty call the question
13+, 0-, 0A
-Committees: Finance, Publicity, and Political
Friendly amendment made by Betty to wait to the end of the meeting to establish the committees.
John accepts
John call the question
15+, 0-, 0A

IV. Chicago Conference (High School Recruitment)
-Conference will be Nov.21 and people attending are leaving Friday morning. MEChA pamphlets and newsletters will be taken in order to hand out to students.

V. MEChA Midwest Regional Conference
-Becky announced that the people attending will leave Fri. Nov.21.
-Ismael will get back to MEChA about transportation.

VI. Chicano Studies Teatro
-moved by Janie to the end of the meeting(invited guest has not arrived).

VII. Other Announcements
-Letter of Concern to Board of Regents
Motion made by Daniel G. that MEChA accept his letter to be sent to the Board of Regents on behalf of MEChA on the condition that he add that we be informed of future meetings.
2nd by Debra
Andres call the question
+ : unanimous
-Dora announces that Centro Hispano is in need of tutor volunteers and applications are in the MEChA office.
-Sergio announces the UW System meetings that will be held Nov. 24 & 25 at the Memorial Union, TITU. They will be discussing the 10 year diversity plan.
-Food Drive for Thanksgiving and X-Mas
motion made by Betty that MEChA members donate food in order to create a basket for two families, one for Thanks and one for X-Mas. The family will be picked out by Janie from the Centro Hispano list of families. Debra will create a list of people who want to help by tomorrow(11/20) and staff must call these people in order to have the basket ready by Monday.
2nd by Aby
Betty call the question
+: unanimous
-Next Regional Meeting to be held in Madison
motion made by Andres to hold the next Regional Meeting in Madison.

2nd by Beckie
Andres call the question
14+, 0-, 0A
-Last Staff Position
motion made by Debra that Raul take the last staff position as editor of MEChA newsletter, but be it the last time positions are filled without proper hiring procedures.
2nd by Andres
Andres call the question
14+, 1-, 1A
-MRC and Housefellow position
Kathy Sisneros announced that UW Housing is now hiring people for MRC and Housefellow positions for the 1998-99 academic school year. The first informational session will be held Dec.1 at 8:00pm in IMMC Lounge. Her office # is 262-9049.
-Psychology class
Ismael announced that his psychology class will again be offered for the 1998 fall semester. Anyone interested should contact him.

IV. Chicano Studies Tearto

Debra Pontillo came to encourage people to join the Teatro held every Monday at 7:30 pm in 6321 Humanities.

December 3, 1997
Minutes: 6:00- 7:28 pm

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Addition to Agenda(Tony)--Review of Ballots

1.) Thanksgiving Food Basket (Deborah)
-Able to do 3 baskets

2.)Christmas Food/Toy Giveaways
-Flyer
Beckie sent flyer on e-mail
-Box at MEChA, Chicano Studies, and IMCC
-New and unwrapped toys, non-perishable food
families will again be picked from Centro Hispano list and will receive X-mas donations by Dec.17(Wed.). The MEChA members that will deliver the toys,etc. will be Daniel, Tony, Sergio, and Vero(all standbys).

3.) Chicano high school conference(Andres)
-Nov.21st at Univ. of Chicago
Have a list of students interested in UW. MEChA members participated in a panel discussing "college life."

4.) MEChA Midwest Regional Conference
-Nov. 22nd in Ann Arbor, MI
discussed and passed Regional Constitution .
-Midwest regional meeting -UW- Madison is the host
Motion made by Betty to have the regional meeting on the UW campus on Feb.28- March 1,1998.
2nd by Andres
Andres call the question
12+, 0-, 0A.

-Motion made by Betty that Sergio make his announcements in order for him to leave the meeting early.
2nd by Stephanie
Sergio call the question
favor: unanimous.
ANNOUNCEMENTS:

-Garden Burger: Rathskeller and Red Oak Grill are still selling this nonunionized product. Request the MEChA request this burger to be taken off the menu. The people to call and let know we want it off the menu is Jessica Fess 263-2458 & Julie Vincent 262-8733.

-- Friendly amendment made by Beckie that MEChA make a statement in support of the opposition of the Garden Burger .

Betty accepts

Betty call the question

favor: unanimous.

motion made by Betty that Sergio be the chair of the committee that will oppose the sell of the Garden Burger at both Unions. If interested meet after meeting.

2nd by Tony

Andres call the question

favor:unanimous.

5.) Events Committee(Johnathan)

-Met last Tuesday, Nov. 25 at 5:30 pm

-E-mail events

motion made by Beckie that Johnathan type up possible proposals and send them over the email, in order for us to know what we might or will be doing in the '98 fall semester.

2nd by Stephanie

Andres call the question

favor:unanimous.

6.) Announcements

-Ofelia: KKK Rally will be Dec.6(sat.) and buses will be leaving from Madison if anyone is interested in going. If you go you are not to represent MEChA.

-Daniel: the Onda needs to get started up soon. Ideas will be given to Raul and will have it out before people leave home.

-Beckie: Copies of the National constitution will be in MEChA office by Friday(12/5). Web page will be out by this weekend(12/5) and if anyone want to put stuff in the web, let her know.

-Tony: Jim Hightower will be on WORT station on Sat. form 8:15-8:45 am , announced Daniel's party.