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**1<sup>st</sup> MUSG SENATE MEETING STARTS AN EXCITING 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR**

MILWAUKEE – Sept. 11, 2009 –Marquette University Student Government held this year’s first Senate meeting on Thursday, Sept. 10, starting what is sure to be a very exciting year for Marquette University.

MUSG President Henry Thomas and Executive Vice President Stephanie Stopka informed the senators of the progress they made over the summer in order to improve this school year. With the recent green movement, the MUSG officers worked on increasing Marquette’s recycling efforts by switching to a single stream recycling policy. They also spoke with IT Services in order to tackle the university’s wireless internet issues. IT Services is working to develop a faster wireless connection though the process will take time.

With the residential senator elections for fall 2009 quickly approaching, MUSG officers discussed the need for additional senate candidates. MUSG is still looking for two commuter senators, as well as candidates for Mashuda and McCabe Halls. Primary elections are scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 16 with final elections taking place on Wednesday, Sept. 23.

The meeting also included a presentation from Dana Mills of Student Health Services. With the recent concern over the H1N1 Virus, the presentation offered valuable information on ways students can prevent both the seasonal and H1N1 flu viruses. Along with consistent hand washing and avoiding those that are sick, Mills also stressed the importance of getting vaccinated. Student Health Services will be offering ten seasonal flu shot clinics around campus starting Oct. 1. The cost of a seasonal vaccination will be \$25. The university is still waiting to hear about the availability of the H1N1 vaccinations.

For more information on MUSG’s news and events, visit <http://musg.mu.edu> or contact the MUSG office, AMU 133.

The Marquette University Student Government was developed in 1882 as the governing body of the Marquette community. Its goal is to identify, understand, actively address and represent students' needs, concerns, and interests through acts of leadership and service which reflect Catholic, Jesuit ideals and contribute to the betterment of the Marquette University community.

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