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Hammond

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The MSC has an annual budget of more than \$5 million, about half of which comes from student fees.

Hammond, currently the MSC vice president for development, will take office after a controversial year for the organization. Josh Rowan was removed as MSC president in September following allegations of misconduct while on a University sponsored trip to Italy during the summer.

Hammond, along with Rowan, was among five student leaders and three University staff members who accompanied 31 freshmen on the two week Champe Fitzhugh Jr. International Honors Leadership Seminar, an MSC-affiliated program. Hammond was not accused of any wrongdoing, but the misbehavior of several Fitzhugh participants prompted MSC officials to review the program. The MSC refused to release the minutes or recorded votes from the closed meeting in which Rowan was removed.

Vice President for Student Affairs Dr. J. Malon Southerland concluded the process was seriously flawed and unfair, and requested the MSC council correct certain procedures

before trying to remove Rowan again, but Rowan resigned rather than further contest the council's decision.

Hammond said the ordeal has been a learning experience for the MSC, and promised to make accountability the guiding principle for the organization.

"One of the major lessons from this was the obligation the MSC has to the student body to hold ourselves to a higher standard of accountability and openness," Hammond said.

The MSC has a new performance review policy based on Southerland's recommendations to minimize the negative impressions left by the Rowan situation, he added.

Over the course of the next few weeks, Hammond said he will select his executive team and conduct a top-to-bottom review to assess the MSC's operations.

"We need to take stock of how well we're meeting our obligations to provide top-quality programs and development opportunities," Hammond said.

Hammond's extensive experience in the MSC and its personnel will help ensure a smooth transition, Petree said.

"He knows the organization well, and he's developed good working relationships with the University administration," Petree said.

Reveille

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Reveille left the A&M campus Thursday to receive special training, including the American Kennel Club (AKC) Canine Good Citizen certification and designation as a therapy dog.

The training, which will take about four months, is needed because Reveille's role on campus has "escalated," said Kevin Graham, senior yell leader and a marketing major.

"Over the years, Reveille's role has progressed," Graham said, "from a stray dog that was simply a campus pet to a representative of the University, meeting with internal and external groups in a variety of capacities."

Graham, a member of Company E-2, said during the

school year Reveille makes appearances at several University events like football and basketball games, and makes visits to local elementary schools, Aggie Mom's clubs and retreats.

Aguirre, a sophomore political science major, said Reveille "still gets very lost in big crowds."

The training Reveille will receive in the next few months will prepare her for these types of events by teaching her to relax in large crowds with loud noises and in unusual circumstances not normally experienced by house pets, Graham said.

"Reveille is put in environments that a lot of pets aren't," Graham said. "We expect a lot from her, and it is only right that we give her the appropriate

Diversity

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Delta Sigma Theta Sorority "We kept picking up more people as we marched."

Along with Monday's march, MSC Cultural Consortium will be hosting Campus with a Dream, a week-long program to honor Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday and celebrate diversity at Texas A&M. The theme of this year's events is "Let Us Stand."

"The subtitle of the program expresses what the United States is going through right now," Oni Blair, a senior political science and history major and executive director of education exploration. "It is important for the student body, like the rest of the country, is united."

Kick off for the week will begin at 11 a.m. today in the Rudder Fountain area, featuring free food, drinks and gifts.

Entertainment for the week will be provided by the Student Classical Music and Concerts Amongst Youth, and a performance by Karan Chavis.

Joining the MSC Cultural Consortium, the MSC Cultural Issues Awareness (CIA) organization will host "A Skinhead Speaks Out Against Hate" Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in Rudder Theatre.

"This program is about a young man who became a skinhead at age of 13," said Joe Williams, director of programming for CIA. "He went to prison for becoming a part of a hate group, a very diverse group of people. Those people of his family to him."

The now 24-year-old Williams speak to Texas A&M students about his life for 50 years before taking questions.

"He's an amazing person," Williams said. "He had large swastika tattoos on his chest and neck removed when the Oklahoma Bombing took place and he knew how hate groups were and was willing to provide information to them."

Activities for the week will include a showing of Lee's movie *Do the Right Thing* sponsored by the MSC Cultural Society and the MSC Cultural Consortium, on Thursday from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

On Friday, starting at 11 a.m. in Rudder Theatre, Marian Anderson Quartet will perform. At noon, faculty and students will gather in MSC to take part in a stand for campus diversity.

"The event is not just about African-American diversity," Blair said. "It is about the diversity and understanding of that is why it is centered on Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday — because those were the ideals that he stood for."

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