MSA Meeting #7: Du'a November 30th, 2011

3:45 - 3:55 : MSA gathers in room 214 \*5th day of Muharram, 1433

3:55 - 4:00 : Recitation/nasheed

4:00 - 4:05 : Announcements

- Eid party
- Hoodies
- Reminder for MIST tryouts

Short Fiction **December 1st** Children's Book **December 1st** Extemporaneous Speaking **December 1st** Original Oratory **December 1st** Extemporaneous Essay **December 2nd** Prepared Essay **December 2nd** Poetry \*REVISED\* **December 2nd** Spoken Word \*NEW\* **December 2nd** 

4:05 - 4:07 : What is du'a? (Samad)

- Allah wants us to make du'a: "And your Lord says, "Call upon Me; I will respond to you." Surat Ghafir [40:60]

4:07 - 4:10 : What is/are your du'a? -- MSA activity (Samad)

- members raise hands
- share what they make du'a for

4:10 - 4:30 : How to make du'a

Intro on how to make du'a (Shahara)

\*Bismillah, alhamdulillah, blessings upon the Prophet SAW

"Indeed Allah and His angels send blessings on the prophet. Oh you who believe, send

blessings on him and salute him with respect." Surat al-Ahzab [33:56]

\*Can be said in any language - that is when it is most sincere

- Be firm (Tania)
- Focus (Tania)
  - Take control of your thoughts
  - Take care of any business prior to praying don't let distractions get in the way
- Appreciate (Shahara)
  - Humble yourself before Allah
  - Story of Fatima and Ali
  - Counting your blessings
  - Being thankful to Allah by being thankful for the people in your life

4:30 - 4:35 : Good times to make du'a (Muaz)

4:35 - 4:40 : Etiquette of du'a (Muaz)