



**Monroe Community College Student Government Association
Senate Meeting Minutes for
Tuesday, September 9, 2008
2:15 p.m. - Forum (3-130)**

Student Senators:

At-Large Senator Lawson
CASA Senator Kuhn
Science, Health & Business Senator Ruhindi
Service Clubs Senator Malin
Technical Education Senator Rouviere (**Absent**)

President:

Daniel Elliott

Vice President:

Sarah Robinson

Speaker/At-Large Senator

Stephen Darrow

Campus Center Advisor:

Elizabeth Stewart

Faculty Advisor:

Joseph McCauley

Visitors: Dick Ryther, Student Services; Lee Struble, Public Safety; Devin Lynch, Student Trustee; Lisa Armstrong, Ashley Yost, Fabrice Broyld, Katelyn Giangregorio, Tony DiFabio, Malcolm Cohen, Craig Learn, Adele Stockmaster, Students; Donna Brennan, SA Secretary.

I. CALL TO ORDER (2:19 p.m.)

A. Roll Call

(See attendance above)

II. SPEAK TO THE SENATE

There was no one to speak to the Senate.

III. REPORTS

A. Speaker

Speaker Darrow...

- ❖ Thanked everyone for the chance to lead the SGA for the 2008-2009 year. He hopes to be able to uphold this trust. A lot of good things are planned for the year and he is looking forward to working with everyone.

B. Deputy Speaker

Acting Deputy Speaker Lawson...

- ❖ Welcome back for another great school year.
- ❖ MCC Rock the Vote - Over the summer SGA united with Professor Karen Morris, Phi Theta Kappa, CASA, Peer Mentors, SADHA, HGSP, and others, to plan events geared toward getting students registered and motivated to vote. He thanked Professor Morris and the Campus Center staff for helping to plan the upcoming events. The kick off for MCC Rock the Vote will be on Wednesday, September 17 with a Constitution Bowl trivia game between students and faculty; SGA and CASA are co-sponsoring a movie night at the Res. Halls with "Man of the Year"; a Mock Presidential Election will be held on October 7 & 8; voter registration and absentee ballot cards will be available at all of these events.

C. Campus Center Advisor

Campus Center Advisor Stewart...

Reminders: Dr. Salvador's picnic is Thursday, September 11; Leadership Retreat is September 26-28 at Camp Stella Maris, sign up by Monday, September 15.

D. Faculty Advisor

Faculty Advisor McCauley... Welcome Back!

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. ACTION ITEMS (Items requiring a Senate vote)

a. **Resolution to approve the appointment of Shanon Gibson to the MCC Association Inc., Board of Directors**

Resolved, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approve the appointment of Shanon Gibson as a student representative to the MCC Association Inc., Board of Directors for the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

Speaker Darrow called for a motion to approve Shanon Gibson to the MCC Association, Inc. Board of Directors.

Senator Kuhn so moved, seconded by Senator Lawson.

Discussion:

President Elliott informed the senate that Shanon was President of Phi Theta Kappa last year and she works in the Photo ID Office. She is an excellent candidate for this position and is highly respected by many people on campus.

Senator Lawson stated that Shanon is currently the President of SADHA and he has had the opportunity to work with Shanon in the Photo ID Office. He also feels she is an excellent candidate.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves the appointment of Shanon Gibson as a student representative to the MCC Association Inc., Board of Directors.

b. **Resolution to approve the appointment of Adam (Hobie) Mendez to the MCC Association Inc., Board of Directors**

Resolved, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approve the appointment of Adam (Hobie) Mendez as a student representative to the MCC Association Inc., Board of Directors for the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

Speaker Darrow called for a motion to approve Adam (Hobie) Mendez to the MCC Association, Inc. Board of Directors.

Senator Lawson so moved, seconded by Senator Kuhn.

Discussion:

President Elliott informed the senate that Hobie has signed up for a class which will make it impossible for him to attend the Board of Directors meetings. He asked that the resolution be removed or voted down.

A vote was taken.

The motion fails.

c. **Resolution to approve the appointment of Sarah Robinson to the MCC Association Inc., Board of Directors**

Resolved, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approve the appointment of Sarah Robinson as a student representative to the MCC Association Inc., Board of Directors for the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

Speaker Darrow called for a motion to approve Sarah Robinson to the MCC Association, Inc. Board of Directors.

Senator Kuhn so moved, seconded by Senator Lawson.

Discussion:

President Elliott informed the senate that the President usually serves as the Vice Chair on the Board of Directors but he is not available to attend the meetings this year. In the absence of the President, the Vice President takes over that role and this is the formality to appoint the Vice President to the Board of Directors.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves the appointment of Sarah Robinson as a student representative to the MCC Association Inc., Board of Directors.

d. **Resolution to approve the Presidential Cabinet Adult Evening Student Coordinator**

Resolved, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approve Lisa Armstrong as the Adult Evening Student Coordinator on the Presidential Cabinet for the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

Speaker Darrow called for a motion to approve Lisa Armstrong as the Adult Evening Student Coordinator.

Senator Lawson so moved, seconded by Senator Kuhn.

Discussion:

Lisa thanked the Senate for considering her for this position again this year. She is looking forward to continuing what she started last year with meet and greets with the adult evening students.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves Lisa Armstrong as the Adult Evening Student Coordinator on the Presidential Cabinet for the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

e. Resolution to approve the Presidential Cabinet Elections Coordinator

Resolved, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approve Malcolm Cohen as the Elections Coordinator on the Presidential Cabinet for the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

Speaker Darrow called for a motion to approve Malcolm Cohen as the Elections Coordinator.

Senator Lawson so moved, seconded by Senator Ruhindi.

Discussion:

Malcolm stated that he is excited to have the chance to serve this year.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves Malcolm Cohen as the Elections Coordinator on the Presidential Cabinet for the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

f. Resolution to approve the Presidential Cabinet Public Relations Coordinator

Resolved, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approve Katelyn Giangregorio as the Public Relations Coordinator on the Presidential Cabinet for the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

Speaker Darrow called for a motion to approve Katelyn Giangregorio as the Public Relations Coordinator.

Senator Kuhn so moved, seconded by Senator Ruhindi.

Discussion:

Katelyn stated that she is anxious to get started and is hoping to get more students involved.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves Katelyn Giangregorio as the Public Relations Coordinator on the Presidential Cabinet for the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

g. Resolution to approve the Presidential Cabinet Physical Activities Coordinator

Resolved, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approve Bill Guilford as the Physical Activities Coordinator on the Presidential Cabinet for the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

Speaker Darrow called for a motion to approve Bill Guilford as the Physical Activities Coordinator.

Senator Kuhn so moved, seconded by Senator Ruhindi.

Discussion:

President Elliott explained that Bill was interviewed for a position on the Senate but his schedule prohibited him from attending the senate meetings. Bill is very into sports and athletics and will be attending many of the sporting events this year. He served in the military, currently works in the MCC Bookstore and is anxious to get start.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves Bill Guilford as the Physical Activities Coordinator on the Presidential Cabinet for the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

h. Resolution to approve the Presidential Cabinet Finance Coordinator

Resolved, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approve Devon Woodward as the Finance Coordinator on the Presidential Cabinet for the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

Speaker Darrow called for a motion to approve Devon Woodward as the Finance Coordinator.

Senator Lawson so moved, seconded by Senator Kuhn.

Discussion:

President Elliott informed the Senate that Devon served as a Senator last year but due to his schedule this year he cannot be considered for a Senate position. Devon originally applied for the Inter-Campus Liaison position but because of the importance of the Finance Coordinator position and Devon's experience in the Senate last year, he was asked to consider this position and he agreed.

Speaker Darrow stated that Devon was one of the hardest working Senators last year and he always makes everyone laugh and giggle.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves Devon Woodward as the Finance Coordinator on the Presidential Cabinet for the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

i. Resolution to approve the Presidential Cabinet Diversity Coordinator

Resolved, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approve Ashley Yost as the Diversity Coordinator on the Presidential Cabinet for the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

Speaker Darrow called for a motion to approve Ashley Yost as the Diversity Coordinator.

Senator Lawson so moved, seconded by Senator Ruhindi.

Discussion:

President Elliott stated that Ashley served as a Senator in the past and has been in the Army National Guard and the Girl Scouts. Last year she helped out at tables when needed and he trusts her to help out with a lot of the ground work this year.

Senator Lawson stated that he was skeptical about approving Ashley but after speaking to President Elliott and Vice President Robinson he is willing to give her a chance to serve. He trusts that President Elliott will have some oversight on the Presidential Cabinet.

Senator Darrow asked Ashley what she is planning to do to reach out to the diverse groups on campus.

Ashley stated that over the summer she helped out at the new student orientations and as a result some of the new students looked into some of the clubs and organizations. She is looking to President Elliott to help her learn what needs to be done.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves Ashley Yost as the Diversity Coordinator on the Presidential Cabinet for the 2008-2009 Academic Year.

V. QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

President Elliott stated that this is his 3rd year in Student Government and he was very impressed with how the meeting went today. He feels it was one of the best first of the year meetings he has experienced.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

At 2:44 p.m. Speaker Darrow called for a motion to adjourn.

Senator Kuhn so moved, seconded by Senator Lawson. The Senate meeting was adjourned.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna M. Brennan
SA Secretary