



## Senate Meeting Minutes

March 7th, 2023

2:15 pm – Forum, 3-130

### **Student Senators**

Senator Raymond  
Senator Krieger  
Senator Tran  
Senator Allen  
Senator Murdock  
Senator Nguyen

### **Election Coordinator**

Angelo Romero

### **President**

Paula Barlow

### **Vice President of Governance**

Dalianne Millet

### **Vice President of Programming**

Rasa Barmak

### **Vice President of Downtown**

Mandie McGinnis

### **Chief of Staff**

Jason Sager

### **Secretary of Governance**

Ana Santos

### **Office of Student Life Advisor**

Jodi Oriel

### **Faculty Advisor**

Mark Sample

Visitors: Ginny Geer-Mentry – MCCA, Ryan Messenger – Student Affairs, Daniel Moore – Student, Robin Gallagher – Student, Elizabeth Tacleitt – Student, Crystal Harmon – Student, Beck DeMarle – Student, Chianti – Student, Greyson Marleis – Student, Leah Mathis – Student, Kalina Kron – Student, Joshua Ramph – Student, Dana Williams – Student.

### ***Call to Order (2:15 pm)***

#### A. Roll Call (see attendance above)

Vice President of Governance Millet called for a roll call to start the senate meeting

#### B. Land Acknowledgement

#### C. Approval of Minutes

- i. Vice President of Governance Millet called for a motion to approve the February 28th, 2023, Student Government Association minutes.
- ii. Senator Raymond so moved, seconded by Senator Allen.
- iii. A vote was taken.
- iv. Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the February 28th, 2023 minutes as written.

### ***Speak to the Senate***

#### A. Michelle Carroll, Student Rights and Responsibilities

Carroll talked about a SUNY Sexual Violence Prevalence (SVP) Campus Climate Survey for all students to help foster healthier campus communities.

## ***Reports***

### A. President Barlow

On March 1st, President Barlow attended the seminar with Yerra Sugarman, an American Poet who is the daughter of Holocaust survivors, to learn and hear her experiences through her poetry.

Also, on March 1st, President Barlow attended the music performances for MCC's Jazz Band, the Acapella group known as the Tributones, and MCC's Chorus. In the Chorus, one of the SGA members Eric Raymond the Health and Wellness Senator was performing. It was a beautiful event, and she looks forward to their entire production in May.

On March 2nd, President Barlow and other SGA members met with public safety, the president's leadership team with the president, and other administration to discuss the incident that occurred on March 1st and March 2nd. At this meeting, SGA members were allowed to ask questions regarding emergency protocols and how they and other students experienced these events. This meeting was helpful as it gave us a place to speak freely with all that attended and sent a follow-up email to public safety inviting them to join our public senate meeting on March 7th to elaborate on MCC's emergency protocols. President Barlow thanked the president Dr. Burt-Nanna, her leadership team, and public safety for being so receptive to the student's concerns.

### B. Vice President Millet

Vice President of Governance Millet has no report for this week.

### C. Vice President of Programming Barmak

Vice President of Programming Barmak has no report for this week.

### D. Vice President of Downtown McGinnis

On Wednesday March 1st Vice President McGinnis along with several SGA members attended poet Yerra Sugarman poetry read from her latest book, Aunt Bird. A reclamation of her aunt Ferga life that was lost at the hands by Nazis. Her words will remain with me and the beauty of her expression for such atrocities. Thank you to the Creative Arts Committee and the Holocaust Genocide and Human Rights Project for co-sponsor this amazing event. Friday March 3rd Vice President McGinnis had two meetings in relation to the downtown campus. The first being with Jean McCrumb, advisor to Disability Awareness Club to continue the collaboration of the Spread the Word Inclusion event to be help on the Brighton campus. Once the date and location are set, the club will reach out to collaborate with other clubs and organizations to table at the event to share how their club embraces inclusion. Disability services will also be invited to table during the event, providing information on available student support. As a community service piece of the event and to celebrate National Women's Month, which is March, the club is doing a feminine hygiene drive with all donations collected being given to the DWIGHT food pantry at both campuses. This event will be an amazing opportunity to celebrate together as one and a student-centered college. More details of the event to come. Later Friday afternoon, Vice President McGinnis meeting with Downtown campus Director of Student Services, Kim DeLarge via zoom, the meeting ending early due to technical challenges. Sending a report via email to share downtown club updates, with Criminal Justice club appointing a President, Vice President, and Treasurer, also the Paralegal club has become active again downtown with officers to move into the club offices soon. Downtown campus active clubs are Disability Awareness, Phi Theta Kappa, Criminal Justice, and Paralegal clubs. Also, reporting on Vice President McGinnis meeting with Jean McCrumb and the Spread the Word Inclusion event. Lastly starting the planning process of

another enrollment event like the successful PTK College Project, Rock-N-Enroll registration event held at the Brighton campus last semester, with this semester happening for the Downtown campus Students.

E. Secretary of Governance Santos

The past week Secretary of Governance Ana Santos worked in bulletin boards in Canal Hall in which one of them is about the LEAD certificate, Santos wants students to know more about the program and is planning to also speak to some students about the it during her next week suite inspections. Santos also worked on posters to tell students from The Residences Halls to reach out if they are having emotional and mental problems and give students information about the counseling center and TAO.

On March 1st Secretary Santos was present at the event with speaker Yerra Sugarman. The American Poet read some of her famous poems inspired in the Holocaust. Also, on March 1st Santos went to the Visual and Performing Arts Department musical event in which one of the performers was SGA's Health and Wellness Senator Raymond.

On Thursday March 2nd, Ana Santos and other SGA members were present in a zoom meeting with Dr. Burt-Nana about the incident involving a MCC student with a weapon and is glad that MCC and SGA are going to take some necessary measures about situations as terrible as this.

On Friday March 3rd, Secretary Santos went to Campus One80 leadership meeting to talk about the organization and future events on the MCC campus.

Finally, the past week Secretary of Governance Ana Santos worked on the SGA Senate Meeting Minutes from the last meeting.

F. Chief of Staff Sager

Chief of Staff Sager attended our second Constitution Committee meeting on February 28th. Chief of Staff Sager attended the meeting with President Burt-Nanna and her leadership team on Thursday March 2nd regarding the public safety incidents last week.

G. Health and Wellness Senator Raymond

Health and Wellness Senator Raymond has no report this week.

H. Club and Organizations Senator Nguyen

On February 14th, I attended the Student Conference in Albany to advocate for more funding for education, especially the SUNY system that would benefit students in New York State. I learned a lot through this experience on how to become a better leader and let my voice be heard. On March 2nd, I participated in the meeting with the president about the firearm incident along with other SGA members to know more about the situation and discuss about what can be done better moving forward.

I. Veterans Senator Krieger

On Wednesday, March 1st, Senator Krieger, met up with the veterans club on the topic of upcoming events, with details including, the Washington DC field trip, taking place from march 5th-7th, We are also working on a specific date for the conservation club to help clean up the VA facility in order to promote club cooperation, also worked with various students about recruitment help as in how to enlist and specifying on different benefits a MOS's, we've been having more veterans stopping by our community, and the number is increasingly growing, we're right now looking and how we can have testing accommodations and in "classroom work" can help accommodate fellow veterans that may deal with more mental health problems.

J. Diversity Senator Tran

On February 28th, Senator Tran participated in the Constitution Committee meeting. Later, on March 1st, Senator Tran attended the event involving Yerra Sugarman, an American poet, essayist and teacher.

Finally, on March 2nd, Senator Tran attended the meeting with Dr. Burt-Nanna and her team along with other SGA members involving an MCC student with a weapon.

K. Student Relations Senator Allen

Senator Allen also attended Yerra Sugarman's Poetry reading on March 1st. Senator Allen attended a meeting with Dr. Bert-Nanna and her team to discuss the unfortunate series of events on February 28th and March 2nd. On March 6th I attended a LEAD certificate program lunch, where we discussed conflict.

L. Public Relations Senator Murdock

Senator Makyle has not report for this week.

M. Election Coordinator Romero

Election Coordinator Romero attended Yerra Sugarman poet event sponsored by Holocaust, Genocide, And Human Rights Project Club on March 1st. Election Coordinator Romero also attended the meeting with the president and her team about the students on March 2nd. Election Coordinator Romero attended and held our second constitution on February 28th.

### ***New Business***

A. Action Items (requires a senate vote)

1. Resolution for changes in The Student Nurses Association Constitution

*Resolved*, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the changes to the Student Nurse Association constitution.

**Vice President Millet** called for a motion to approve the resolution.

Senator Krieger so moved, second by Senator Allen.

**Discussion:** Upon review of the new Student Nurse Association constitution, it has been completed to the standards of the Student Government Association and the Office of Student Life and Leadership.

A vote was taken. The resolution passed.

**Be it resolved**, by the senate present and voting the Student Government Association approves the new Student Nurse Association constitution at Monroe Community College.

B. Public Safety Guests

Questions and answers session about the incident involving a MCC student with a gun

### ***Discussion Items***

A. There were no discussion items

### ***Old Business***

A. There was no old business

### ***Questions and Comments***

A. There were no questions or comments

### ***Adjournment***

A. Vice President Millet called for a motion for adjournment

B. Meeting was adjourned at 3:48 pm

*Executive Session*

Respectfully submitted,

Ana Santos  
Secretary of Governance