

# MONROE COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENT ASSOCIATION SENATE MEETING MINUTES FOR

Tuesday, September 23rd, 2014 2:15 PM-Forum (3-130)

Student Senators:Speaker of the Senate:SL&LD Advisor:Senator BroadnaxJeremy CarmichaelElizabeth Stewart

Senator Donnelly-late Deputy Speaker:

Senator Lavere
Senator Noble
President:
Rebecca Herzog-absent

Senator Polozanin Mark White

Senator Tower

SA Secretary:
Lisa Truman

**Visitors:** Dr. Lloyd Holmes, MCC V.P. of Student Services; Morgan Shoff, Celtic Society; Douglas Williams, VOR; Katya Mailloux-Kuz Travel Club President; Bethany Ruggero, MCC Student; Erik Kopp, Global Union; Diane Cheasty, Travel Club Advisor; Shirley B. Provost, OSLLD.

# I. CALL TO ORDER (2:20pm)

A. Roll Call (See attendance above)

## B. Approval of the September 16, 2014 Minutes.

Speaker Carmichael called for a motion to approve the September 16, 2014 Minutes. Senator Tower so moved, seconded by Senator Lavere.

A vote was taken.

**Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association,** approves the September 16, 2014 Minutes as written.

# II. SPEAK TO THE SENATE

Dr. Lloyd Holmes, Vice-President of Student Services at MCC spoke to the Senate. He has been with MCC since April of 2014, and as Vice-President of Student Services has been out and about the college having conversations with the MCC population to get a sense of what needs to be addressed at the college. He thanked the SGA for their service, and realizes the importance of a governing body that works both with and for the students. Dr. Holmes stated the SGA of a college is responsible for three key elements; first, to speak to the Administration for students, second, speak to the Administration with the students, and lastly to speak to the students for the Administration. It is important to him to meet with the SGA, and to keep these lines of communication open. It is the student extra-curricular activities and experiences in them that connect students. He would like to focus on civility, and the support of fellow students. A primary goal is to increase school spirit, as this assists in combating a lack of civility on campus. He is working on a streamlined Judicial System that is clear so all are aware of due process. Dr. Holmes is working on maintaining compliance to ensure all is in order with the Federal Department of Education. He tells all he is very excited to be here at MCC, and is extremely responsive to hearing student voices.

There are several questions regarding the enforcement of the new Tobacco Free Policy on campus. Dr. Holmes would like the MCC population as a whole to assist in bringing about this change. President White would like to see clear-cut rules and regulations on enforcement and policy and felt this would be beneficial to all involved. Speaker Carmichael announced he has invited Debra Dwyer of Public Safety, or another knowledgeable staff member to speak on this issue at an upcoming meeting. He hopes this will clear up some of the confusion regarding the policy.

#### III. REPORTS

#### Speaker Carmichael

He and Senator Lavere are meeting with Dr. Holmes this week to discuss ways to increase MCC's school spirit and student involvement. Speaker Carmichael has met with members of FYE to discuss plans of a school spirit week. They would like to reach out to clubs and organizations to do events that week. He thanked Senator Donnelly for her hard work in making Constitution Day a success.

#### **Senator Broadnax**

He has written most of the committee appointments and has begun helping to restart the Electronic Gaming Society. Senator Broadnax has begun to plan a "Forum" for October which will be a less formal setting for students to meet and converse with Senate Members. He would like to hold these meetings in the Residence Halls. He will keep all updated as to progress on this.

# **Senator Donnelly**

Constitution Day was last Wednesday, and it was a huge success. She would like to thank the senate for helping throughout the entire event. We had several students pick up SGA applications and even more students participate in the basket drawing. She is excited to be working with Senator Carmichael on bringing more school spirit to MCC.

#### **Senator Noble**

He would like to bring back Driver's Education to MCC. Senator Noble would like to improve the Sunshine Fund, and make it better known around campus. He is in the process of getting T-Shirts for the SGA. By the end of this week, he will have initiated contact with the head of the Recycling Project here at MCC.

#### **Advisor Stewart**

Congratulated the SGA and all clubs and organizations for very successful Student Life Fair. The Constitution Day celebration went very well and the baskets Senator Donnelly put together as prizes were great. Advisor Stewart thanks all for their hard work. Tomorrow is the Homecoming Carnival; it will be a beautiful day for such a fun event. The weather is looking up for this weekend's retreat and she is looking forward to seeing everyone there.

## IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. Action Items

## a. Resolution to approve Committee Members.

*Resolved*, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the appointment of Jeremy Carmichael to the Academic Policies Committee of the Faculty Senate for the 2014-2015 Academic Year.

**Speaker Carmichael** called for a motion to approve the Committee Members.

Senator Broadnax so moved, seconded by Senator Noble.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved*, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the motion to approve Committee Members.

## b. Resolution to approve Committee Members.

*Resolved,* that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the appointment of Jacob Tower to the Curriculum Committee of the Faculty Senate for the 2014-2015 Academic Year.

**Speaker Carmichael** called for a motion to approve the Committee Members.

Senator Broadnax so moved, seconded by Senator Polozanin.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved,* the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the motion to approve Committee Members.

# c. Resolution to approve Committee Members.

*Resolved*, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the appointment of David Broadnax to the Planning Committee of the Faculty Senate for the 2014-2015 Academic Year.

**Speaker Carmichael** called for a motion to approve the Committee Members.

Senator Broadnax so moved, seconded by Senator Tower.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

#### A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved,* the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the motion to approve Committee Members.

#### d. Resolution to approve Committee Members.

*Resolved*, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the appointment of Brandon Noble to the Library Student Advisory Committee for the 2014-2015 Academic Year.

**Speaker Carmichael** called for a motion to approve the Committee Members.

Senator Broadnax so moved, seconded by Senator Donnelly.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved,* the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the motion to approve Committee Members.

## e. Resolution to approve Committee Members.

*Resolved*, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the appointment of David Broadnax to the By-Laws and Constitution Committee for the 2014-2015 Academic Year.

**Speaker Carmichael** called for a motion to approve the Committee Members.

Senator Noble so moved, seconded by Senator Polozanin.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved*, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the motion to approve Committee Members.

# f. Resolution to approve Committee Members.

*Resolved*, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the appointment of Brandon Noble to the Club Constitution Committee for the 2014-2015 Academic Year.

**Speaker Carmichael** called for a motion to approve the Committee Members.

Senator Broadnax so moved, seconded by Senator Tower.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved*, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the motion to approve Committee Members.

# g. Resolution to approve Committee Members.

*Resolved*, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the appointment of Edin Polozanin to the Blood Drives Committee for the 2014-2015 Academic Year.

**Speaker Carmichael** called for a motion to approve the Committee Members.

Senator Broadnax so moved, seconded by Senator Noble.

**Discussion:** Speaker Carmichael announced Senator Polozanin is already coordinating the upcoming Blood Drives for the 2014-2015 Academic Year.

## A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved*, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the motion to approve Committee Members.

# h. Resolution to approve Committee Members.

*Resolved,* that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the appointment of Michael Lavere to the Events Committee for the 2014-2015 Academic Year.

**Speaker Carmichael** called for a motion to approve the Committee Members.

Senator Broadnax so moved, seconded by Senator Donnelly.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved*, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the motion to approve Committee Members.

# i. Resolution to approve Committee Members.

*Resolved,* that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the appointment of Jeremy Carmichael to the Rock the Vote and Voter Registration Committee

for the 2014-2015 Academic Year.

Speaker Carmichael called for a motion to approve the Committee Members.

Senator Broadnax so moved, seconded by Senator Tower.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved*, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the motion to approve Committee Members.

## j. Resolution to approve Committee Members.

*Resolved*, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the appointment of Jacquie Donnelly, Edin Polozanin, Michael Lavere, Jacob Tower, and Brandon Noble to the Personal Health and Safety Committee for the 2014-2015 Academic Year.

Speaker Carmichael called for a motion to approve the Committee Members.

Senator Broadnax so moved, seconded by Senator Polozanin.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved,* the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the motion to approve Committee Members.

#### k. Resolution to approve Committee Members.

*Resolved*, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the appointment of Jacob Tower to the Monroe Community College Board of Directors for the 2014-2015 Academic Year.

**Speaker Carmichael** called for a motion to approve the Committee Members.

Senator Broadnax so moved, seconded by Senator Lavere.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved*, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the motion to approve Committee Members.

## l. Resolution to approve Presidential Cabinet Members.

*Resolved,* that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the appointment of Edin Polozanin to serve as Interim Roundtable Coordinator, and Alisa Hawkins, Minha Kareemi and Lei Mon to serve on the Presidential Cabinet.

**Speaker Carmichael** called for a motion to approve the Cabinet Members.

Senator Broadnax so moved, seconded by Senator Tower.

**Discussion:** Speaker Hale notified all that President White is choosing his Cabinet Members not necessarily by specific titles at the time, but has chosen to select members and assign titles at a later date. Minha Kareemi and Alyssa Hawkins introduced themselves to the Senate. They are looking forward to working with President White and the SGA and fulfilling their cabinet duties. Lei Mon was previously holding a Senator position, but due to a scheduling conflict had to resign.

## A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved,* the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the motion to approve Committee Members.

#### m.Resolution to approve Michael Lavere as Deputy Speaker of the Senate.

*Resolved,* that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the appointment of Michael Lavere as Deputy Speaker of the Senate for the 2014-2015 Academic Year. **Speaker Carmichael** called for a motion to approve Michael Lavere as Deputy Speaker of the Senate. Senator Broadnax so moved, seconded by Senator Donnelly.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved*, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves Michael Lavere as Deputy Speaker of the Senate.

#### n. Resolution to approve William Dorsey, Jr. as Vice-President of the Student Government.

*Resolved*, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the appointment of William Dorsey, Jr. to serve as the Vice-President for the 2014-2015 Academic Year. **Speaker Carmichael** called for a motion to approve the Committee Members. Senator Broadnax so moved, seconded by Senator Noble.

**Discussion:** President White sees a lot of potential in William and has no doubt he will do a great job as Vice-President for the SGA as well as reap immense personal growth in his position.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved,* the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves William Dorsey, Jr. as Vice-President of the Student Government Association.

## V. OLD BUSINESS

# a. <u>Resolution to approve \$3587.10 in funding for the Travel Clubs' Caribbean MSC Divina Cruise.</u>

*Resolved*, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the resolution of \$3587.10 in funding for the Travel Clubs' Caribbean MSC Divina Cruise.

**Speaker Carmichael** called for a motion to table this resolution again as clarification was needed before a vote. Senator Broadnax so moved, seconded by Senator Lavere.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved*, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the motion to table this resolution again, until further notice.

# VI. QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

## VII. ADJOURNMENT

Speaker Carmichael called for a motion for adjournment.

A vote was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:21pm.

## VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Respectfully submitted, Lisa Truman SA Secretary