



**MONROE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
STUDENT ASSOCIATION SENATE MEETING
MINUTES FOR
Tuesday, March 23, 2010
2:15 p.m. – Forum (3-130)**

Student Senators:

At-Large Senator Carey -**Absent**
Athletics Senator Pizarro
CAB Senator Young-**Absent**
Residence Hall Senator Pritchard
Service Clubs Senator Monroe

President:

Jason Childers

Vice President:

Tima Marathe

Speaker/ Science, Health & Business Senator

Simon Ruhindi

Deputy Speaker/Media Senator

Douglas “Mirlin” Moorefield-**Absent**

Campus Center Advisor:

Elizabeth Stewart-**Absent**

Faculty Advisor:

Joseph McCauley

Visitors: Dick Ryther, Student Services; Rebecca Herzog, Trung Nguyen, Campus Center; Malcolm Cohen, Director of Community College Affairs, SUNY Student Assembly; Christopher Hollander, SEGA; Nathan Pitt, student; Donna Brennan, SA Secretary.

Senator Monroe, due to the excused absence of 3 Senators, made a motion to have President Childers and Vice President Marathe serve as Acting Speaker and Acting Deputy Speaker respectively, so that Speaker Ruhindi would be able to exercise his voting privileges as a Senator.

Senator Pizarro seconded the motion.

I. CALL TO ORDER (2:16 p.m.)

A. Roll Call

(See attendance above)

B. Approval of March 9, 2010 Senate Meeting Minutes

Acting Speaker Childers called for a motion to approve the minutes for March 9, 2010.

Senator Pritchard so moved, seconded by Senator Monroe.

There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves the minutes for March 9, 2010 as written.

C. Approval of March 16, 2010 Senate Meeting Minutes

Acting Speaker Childers called for a motion to approve the minutes for March 16, 2010.

Senator Monroe so moved, seconded by Senator Pizarro.

Discussion:

Acting Deputy Speaker Marathe asked that the minutes be amended to include her report which was read by Senator Moorefield.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves the minutes for March 16, 2010 subject to the addition of Vice President Marathe’s report.

II. SPEAK TO THE SENATE

Malcolm Cohen reported on the final SUNY Group of 200 discussion which was held on Thursday, March 18. The first subject discussed was Health Affairs. William Novelli, a Distinguished Professor at Georgetown University discussed the challenges in the Health Care Industry. Dr. Janet Glocker participated in the panel discussion and advocated for differential FTE support for the students in Health Information Technology programs. The Capstone discussion involved marketing techniques and brand building. Regional launches of the basic framework of the Strategic Plan will begin in mid-April. Chancellor Zimpher will be presenting a mini launch at the SUNY SA Conference in Saratoga Springs. The regional launch in Rochester will take place on Tuesday, April 27. Malcolm also reported on the March SUNY Student Assembly Executive Committee meeting. He presented everyone with the February 15, 2010 draft of the Public Higher Education Empowerment and Innovation Act document. Malcolm explained the document and stated that the SUNY Boards of Trustees from all 64 campuses will need to keep the document in mind when setting tuition. He also stated that the document will not be valid unless it is passed by the Legislature. The last page of the document was the resolution presented to the SUNY SA Executive committee to endorse the overall Act.

Christopher Hollander, SEGA Budget Coordinator, reported that the bridge between both campuses is getting shorter; WMCC began broadcasting from the 4th floor lounge on March 15.

III. REPORTS

A. President

President Childers...

- ✓ On March 13th, he, along with Directors Blum and Kuhn, and Nicole Jenkins, participated in the St. Patrick's Day parade with Vice President Antoine Reeves and Advisor Greg Wilson of SEGA, all representing MCC.
- ✓ The Student E-mail Committee has been working on letting the campus know that in the process of "going green", the official means of communication is going to be through Microsoft Windows Live, unless a hard copy of a document is required. The following is the official policy "blurb" being distributed:
"Monroe Community College considers the College's student email system, Microsoft Windows Live an official means of communication. The College can and will use the system to conduct and notify students of college-related business and to share general information of importance to students. This may include, but is not limited to, information about your course registrations, your financial aid, and your student account. There will be a link soon with more information about the College's student email policy. To access your MCC student email account, go to <http://www.monroecc.edu/students>."

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. ACTION ITEMS (Items requiring a Senate vote)

a. Resolution to approve committee members

Resolved, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate consents to the appointment of Douglas "Mirlin" Moorefield to the Constitution Committee for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Acting Speaker Childers called for a motion to approve committee members.

Senator Monroe so motioned, seconded by Senator Pizarro.

Discussion: none

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves the appointment of Douglas "Mirlin" Moorefield to the Constitution Committee for the 2009-2010 academic year.

b. Resolution to approve the funding of \$265.08 to the Campus Ambassadors

Resolved, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approve the funding of \$265.08 to the Campus Ambassadors.

Acting Speaker Childers called for a motion to approve the funding of \$265.08 to the Campus Ambassadors.

Senator Ruhindi so motioned, seconded by Senator Pizarro.

Discussion:

Senator Pizarro stated that representatives from the Campus Ambassadors came to him with questions regarding how they would receive the funds. Senator Pizarro asked that someone contact them to explain how that is done.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves the funding of \$265.08 to the Campus Ambassadors.

V. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Senator Monroe reminded everyone that the Masquerade Ball is Friday night, March 26 in Monroe A & B. Volunteers to help are needed, email Eddie Visagie.

Malcolm Cohen added a couple of points he missed in his report: Differential tuition is by program not campus; SUNY Aid is initially a grant but will require working for the state after graduation.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

At 2:47 p.m. Acting Speaker Childers called for a motion to adjourn. Senator Ruhindi so moved, seconded by Senator Monroe. The Senate meeting was adjourned.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Brennan
SA Secretary