



**MONROE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
STUDENT ASSOCIATION SENATE MEETING
MINUTES FOR
Tuesday, August 18, 2009
11:00 a.m. – Forum (3-130)**

Student Senators:

Academic Clubs Senator Raja
At-Large Senator Blum
At-Large Senator Cohen
CAB Senator Raycroft-**Absent**
Interdisciplinary Studies Senator Blair-**Absent**
Liberal Arts Senator Worcester
Media Senator Malin-**Absent**
Residence Hall Senator Dawley
Social Clubs Senator Mac

President:

Qasim Ijaz-**Late**

Vice President:

Jason Childers

Speaker/At-Large Senator:

Ted Carey

Acting Deputy Speaker/Science, Health & Business Senator

Simon Ruhindi

Campus Center Advisor:

Elizabeth Stewart

Faculty Advisor:

Joseph McCauley-**Absent**

Visitors: Justin Young, CAB; Tima Marathe, Presidential Cabinet; Nicolette Rivera, Jessica Catlin, Tony Proietti, Jessica Monroe, Lisa Armstrong, Students; Donna Brennan, Secretary.

I. CALL TO ORDER (11:00 a.m.)

A. Roll Call

(See attendance above)

B. Approval of the July 21, 2009 meeting minutes.

Speaker Carey called for a motion to approve the minutes for the July 21, 2009 Senate meeting.

Senator Blum so motioned, seconded by Senator Cohen.

Discussion: Senator Cohen motioned to make a correction to New Business Action Item 1a: “Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approves Jason Childers as President...” It should read “...approves Jason Childers as Vice President...” Senator Dawley seconded the motion.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approves the July 21, 2009 Senate minutes as amended.

II. SPEAK TO THE SENATE

There was no one to speak to the Senate.

III. REPORTS

A. Speaker

Speaker Carey...

- He thanked the Senate for entrusting him with the duties of the Speaker and stated that it is a privilege and an honor to be serving as Speaker for the upcoming academic year. Due to the responsibility that comes with being the Speaker, he has resigned from the position of Community College Representative on the SUNY Student Assembly; Senator Cohen has taken over his duties as MCC's representative on the Assembly.
- The 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony is rapidly approaching; the catering contract is done, and he and Pam Hutton will be putting the finishing touches on the programs.
- He has received three applications for the Deputy Speaker position. Any Senator wishing to apply has until Monday, August 24th to do so. Choosing the Deputy Speaker will be a well thought out process and he is confident that whoever is chosen will be more than qualified for the position.

B. Campus Center Advisor

Campus Center Advisor Stewart reminded the students to sign up for the Student Leader Retreat, space is limited so sign up early and if you sign up please make sure you are committed to going; also, the annual student leader picnic at Dr. Salvador's home is on September 17; sign up for both of these events in the Campus Center Office. For those who were not able to attend one of the two day student leader trainings there will be a one day Student Leader Training on August 25 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. in the Forum. She thanked those who have been at the orientations this summer; to date 1348 new students have attended; there are 5 more to go.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. ACTION ITEMS (Items requiring a Senate vote)

a. Resolution to approve Jessica Catlin as the Assistant Director of Student Services

Resolved that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approve, using due process, Jessica Catlin as the Assistant Director of Student Services in the Presidential Cabinet for the 2009-2010 Academic Year.

Speaker Carey called for a motion to approve Jessica Catlin as the Assistant Director of Student Services.

Senator Cohen so motioned, seconded by Senator Blum.

Discussion:

Jessica thanked the Senate for the opportunity to work with Tim and she is flattered that Tim recommended her. She is excited and hopes that the Senate chooses to make her part of the team.

Tim stated that she feels Jessica is the kind of leader/person the Student Government needs; she is determined, hard working and grounded and will be a tremendous asset to the Student Government.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves Jessica Catlin as the Assistant Director of Student Services in the Presidential Cabinet for the 2009-2010 Academic Year.

b. Resolution to approve Kayann Williams as the Director of Public Affairs

Resolved that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approve, using due process, Kayann Williams as the Director of Public Affairs in the Presidential Cabinet for the 2009-2010 Academic Year.

Speaker Carey called for a motion to approve Kayann Williams as the Director of Public Affairs.

Senator Cohen so motioned, seconded by Senator Dawley.

Discussion:

Kayann introduced herself and stated that she is willing to learn and will work hard to make the position work.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves Kayann Williams as the Director of Public Affairs in the Presidential Cabinet for the 2009-2010 Academic Year.

c. Resolution to approve Lisa Armstrong as the Director of Evening and Adult Student Affairs

Resolved that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approve, using due process, Lisa Armstrong as the Director of Evening and Adult Student Affairs in the Presidential Cabinet for the 2009-2010 Academic Year.

Speaker Carey called for a motion to approve Lisa Armstrong as the Director of Evening and Adult Student Affairs.

Senator Cohen so motioned, seconded by Senator Blum.

Discussion:

Speaker Carey apologized to Lisa regarding some erroneous information he had received about her past performance.

Lisa stated that she is looking forward to another year and a new start with a new group. She has some valuable information she will share and she hopes to continue with the work she has done in the past.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves Lisa Armstrong as the Director of Evening and Adult Student Affairs in the Presidential Cabinet for the 2009-2010 Academic Year.

IV. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Senator Blum stated that she is working with Pam Hutton on the invitations and flyers for the 9/11 Ceremony.

President Ijaz mentioned that he started an SGA Facebook page and suggested that everyone invite others from MCC to join. It will be used as a tool to let everyone know what the SGA is all about and for them to let the SGA know what they want.

Senator Cohen stated that he has been officially named MCC's Student Assembly representative. If anyone has any statewide issues let him know.

Director Marathe stated that the Facebook page is a good idea. She noticed that the MCC SGA website has not been updated yet for this year and suggested that it be in synch with the SGA Facebook page.

Justin Young, CAB Co-Director reported the following:

- ✓ Three new executive board positions have been filled as follows: Teti Moniz, Traditional Events Chair; Mara Hammond, Day Time Program Chair; Jon Cahill-Weather, Publicity and Promotions Chair.
- ✓ Welcome Week Events are: 9/14 – Ice Cream Social in the Marketplace; 9/16 – Activity Day Cotton Candy in the Campus Center Atrium
- ✓ 9/23 – Drive In Move in the Res. Hall Quad – “The Brothers Bloom”
- ✓ 9/26 – Caroline Rhea and Jamie Lissow in the Gym – he asked Student Government for volunteers to help with this event.
- ✓ 10/4 – Chicken Wing Eating Contest in the Campus Center Atrium
- ✓ 10/20 – Open Mic in the North Atrium
- ✓ 10/29 – Ghost Hunters in the Gym
- ✓ November is in the works.
- ✓ 12/5 – Breakfast with Santa in the Forum

V. ADJOURNMENT

At 11:20 a.m. Speaker Carey called for a motion to adjourn. Senator Cohen so motioned, seconded by Senator Dawley. The Senate meeting was adjourned.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Brennan
SA Secretary