



**MONROE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
STUDENT ASSOCIATION SENATE MEETING
MINUTES FOR
Tuesday, December 9, 2008
2:15 p.m. – Forum (3-130)**

Student Senators:

Academic Clubs Senator Acosta
At-Large Senator Carey
At-Large Senator Kuhn
Residence Hall Senator Rice
Science, Health & Business Senator Ruhindi
Service Clubs Senator Malin
Social Clubs Senator Bauman

President:

Daniel Elliott

Vice President:

Sarah Robinson

Speaker/At-Large Senator

Stephen Darrow

Deputy Speaker/At-Large Senator

Matt Lawson

Campus Center Advisor:

Elizabeth Stewart

Faculty Advisor:

Joseph McCauley

Visitors: Josh VonRathonyi, Aleksandar Mikic, Game Design & Development Club; Craig Learn, WMCC; Malcolm Cohen, Amy Battaglia, Presidential Cabinet; Donna Brennan, Secretary.

I. CALL TO ORDER (2:15 p.m.)

A. Roll Call

(See attendance above)

B. Approval of December 2, 2008 minutes

Speaker Darrow called for a motion to approve the minutes for the December 2, 2008 Senate meeting.

Senator Rice so moved, seconded by Senator Carey.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves the minutes for December 2, 2008 as written.

II. SPEAK TO THE SENATE

III. REPORTS

A. Vice President

Vice President Robinson...

- Presidential Cabinet - Devon Woodward, Finance Coordinator, along with Senator Rice, have been working hard with the Res Halls to find an alternative to the current laundry system available in the halls. John Gordon and Amy Battaglia, Campus Environment Coordinators, are working hard to make the campus more environmentally friendly and are looking at starting a student focus group to discuss possibilities.

B. Senators

Senator Carey...

- RTS – he has not received a response from RTS regarding Senator Rice’s Res. Hall survey; he will be corresponding with them during intersession to see if there are any new developments. Senator Rice's survey has also been emailed to the college's Transportation Committee.

Senator Malin...

- Blood Drive Results – 98 units was collected at the Blood Drive on Thursday, December 4. This is only 8 units short of the very successful fall drive. Thank you to everyone who donated and those who volunteered. The next blood drive will be Thursday, February 5.
- Global Union Holiday Bash - Wednesday, December 10 in the Campus Center Atrium.

Senator Ruhindi...

- Non-Violence Rally – he had a phone conversation with Mr. Blake who represents Slater's Raiders for Peace informing him of the plans for a non-violence rally here at MCC next semester. A meeting is being planned for Mr. Blake and Advisor Stewart to discuss the rally.
- Library – Monday, December 15 is Library Day – cookies, tea and coffee will be served in the library for students from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm.

IV. Campus Center Advisor

Campus Center Advisor Stewart reminded everyone to sign up for the Student Leader Winter Retreat to be held January 12, 2009.

V. Faculty Advisor

Faculty Advisor McCauley went to MCC's Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 6, and gave his compliments to Matt Lawson who played Santa.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. ACTION ITEMS (Items requiring a Senate vote)

a. Resolution to charter the Game Design and Development Club

Resolved, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approve the charter for the Game Design and Development Club.

Senator Darrow called for a motion to approve the charter for the Game Design and Development Club.

Senator Rice so moved, seconded by Senator Carey.

Discussion:

Senator Bauman stated that the club seems to be very similar to the current Electronic Gaming Society and asked if anyone had talked to the officers about becoming a subdivision of their club.

Josh von Rathonyi, representing the Game Design and Development Club, stated that he spoke to officers from the Electronic Gaming Society and officers from the Computer & Gaming Technology Club. He explained that EGS is solely for gaming purposes and a more social club, Computer & Gaming Technology Club focuses on the hardware aspect of gaming and this new club, the Game Design & Development Club, will focus on the software for game design.

Advisor Stewart stated that the purpose of each of the clubs sounds very different and this would enable the students to move between the clubs, depending on their interests.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves the charter for the Game Design and Development Club.

VII. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

President Elliott gave a Presidential Cabinet update: Lisa Armstrong, Adult Evening Student Coordinator, has set up meet and greets randomly around campus to meet the non-traditional students; Ashley Yost is in charge of fundraising and will be at the spring semester orientations; Malcolm Cohen, Elections Coordinator, will be working with President Elliott to update the SGA constitution.

Advisor Stewart mentioned that the Amerks game was great; there were around 100 MCC people in attendance. It was fun watching Jaime Smith and Jason Childers in the hamster balls and the students who participated in broom ball and tossing out MCC t-shirts. The Nighthawks game will be March 14.

She also reminded everyone to watch their book bags and keep office doors closed and locked when no one is in them. There have been some recent thefts of books and laptops from book bags being left unattended. Warn your friends and if anyone sees anything suspicious report it to public safety.

Speaker Darrow stated that the members of SGA have been diligent about keeping the office doors closed and thanked them for that.

Senator Acosta mentioned that the Catholic Bible Study group had their first meeting on Thursday, December 4, and will meet again on Thursday, December 11. They did some studying and will be using that as a good foundation for starting an inter-faith committee and working with other faith groups. They hope to facilitate inter-faith dialogue at International Day.

Senator Kuhn mentioned that Friday, December 12, will be Bette Bovenzi's last day and encouraged everyone to stop in to the Campus Center office between 2:00 pm and 4:00 pm to say thank you and goodbye.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

At 2:34 p.m. Speaker Darrow called for a motion to adjourn.

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

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Brennan
SA Secretary