



**MONROE COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
STUDENT ASSOCIATION SENATE MEETING  
MINUTES FOR  
Tuesday, November 20, 2012, 2:15 PM, Forum 3-130**

**Student Senators:**

Athletics Senator Hinz  
Health, Business Senator Kim  
Liberal Arts Senator Habte  
Media Senator Savarese  
Residence Hall Senator Walters  
Service Club Senator Wynn  
Technical Education Senator Jackson

**President:**

Scott Blue

**Vice President:**

Shanel Montalvo-**absent**

**Deputy Speaker:**

Dabanga Guilford-**absent**

**Speaker:**

Rabbil Jackson-Harris

**SL&LD Advisor:**

Elizabeth Stewart

**Faculty Advisor:**

Joseph McCauley

**SL&LD Advisor:**

Rebecca Herzog

**SA Secretary:**

Elizabeth Flanagan

**Visitors:** Jason Childers, Celtic Society; Virginia Geer-Mentry, MCC Association; Nelson Clark, SGA; Ignatius Ukatu, student; Suzanne Fava, WMCC the Fuse

**CALL TO ORDER (2:15 pm)**

**A. Roll Call**

(See attendance above)

**B. Approval of November 13, 2012 Minutes**

**Speaker** Jackson-Harris called for a motion to approve the minutes of November 13, 2012.

Senator Habte so moved, seconded by Senator Kim.

There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

**Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association** unanimously approves the November 13, 2012 minutes as written.

**I. SPEAK TO THE SENATE**

Suzanne Fava of WMCC the Fuse approached the Senate with a few questions. First, she asked what the student life fees cover as this information is necessary for college-cost reimbursement for eligible students.

Virginia Geer-Mentry of MCC Association, indicated that Student Life fees are used for:

Campus Activities, Shuttle Service, Athletics, Clubs/Organizations, Photo IDs, Lounge Furniture, and staffing. She also indicated that contracts with other entities help to defer the fees. There was discussion about making this information readily accessible to students, and it was agreed that this can be done. The exact location of the information on the MCC website is yet to be determined.

Second, she inquired as to the protocol for the sharing of e-mail contact information when it is necessary to work with classmates. She encountered difficulty in this regard when communicating with a professor.

Advisor McCauley mentioned that confidentiality concerns regarding students' safety affect the sharing of e-mail information. He and President Blue indicated that this can be looked into, and perhaps a protocol for the appropriate sharing of such information can be established.

Lastly, she noted that, as a campus ambassador who conducts college tours, she has

been embarrassed by the conduct of some students who engage in inappropriate public displays of affection/sexuality openly on campus. What can be done to correct such behavior? Advisor McCauley stated that civil behavior is mandated by the Student Guide, and the behavior to which Suzanne refers might be considered a breaking of that mandate. President Blue noted that in such cases, Public Safety may be contacted at 292-2991.

### III. REPORTS

#### **Advisor Herzog**

The play last weekend was a huge success! There were approximately 250-300 people in attendance at each performance. The next performance will be in April.

Breakfast with Santa is sold out, but you can still submit a request for a table.

The Leadership Retreat will be held on January 7, 2013 from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM. There will be interactive workshops, and a keynote speaker. Formal invitations will be issued. Work on your leadership certificates!

Final exams are coming up so study and keep your grades up.

#### **Joe McCauley**

Forgot to get his ticket for Breakfast with Santa! Perhaps he can volunteer, and enjoy the event after all.

### IV. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

### V. NEW BUSINESS

#### **ACTION ITEMS (Items requiring a Senate vote)**

##### **a. Resolution to approve By-Laws, change 1**

Speaker Jackson-Harris called for a motion.

Senator Walters so moved, seconded by Senator Kim.

President Blue commended Senator Walters for her hard work in moving this along.

He indicated that he would prefer to have five senators for each resident hall, as the task is daunting when there are less people dedicated to the number of residences at MCC.

A vote was taken.

*Resolved*, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association approves the replacement of By-Law 12.3.4 with By-Law 12.3.4 A (Canal Hall) and 12.3.4 B (PAT Quad), with a job description unchanged from 12.3.9.

##### **b. Resolution to approve By-Laws, change 2**

Speaker Jackson-Harris called for a motion.

Senator Habte so moved, seconded by Senator Kim.

Advisor McCauley requested that an amendment be made such that By-Law 12.3.9 will now be indicative of Technical Education Senator. This writer made this change as of this writing.

A vote was taken.

*Resolved*, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approves the renumbering of By-Law 12.3.10 to 12.3.9. 12.3.9 is now indicative of Technical Education Senator.

### QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

Senator Jackson mentioned that she received her first return of a survey she issued.

Suzanne Fava indicated that singer, Deborah Magony, of a band Suzanne manages, recently won a lifetime achievement award, and will have a CD soon released in addition to going on tour.

### VI. ADJOURNMENT

At 2:40 PM, Speaker Jackson-Harris called for a motion to adjourn. Senator Habte so moved, seconded by Senator Jackson. The Senate meeting was adjourned.

**VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth V. Flanagan  
SA Secretary