

## RESOLUTIONS for March 17, 2009

### OLD BUSINESS Resolutions:

#### Resolution to support the State University of New York's opposing of the New York State deficit proposal.

*Whereas*, the students of **Monroe Community College of the State University of New York** are aware of the current economic hardships facing the State of New York, and

*Whereas*, the State University of New York system has suffered four funding cuts totaling up to \$210 million, including unfunded enrollment and reduced energy allocations, and

*Whereas*, Governor Paterson's 2009-10 Budget Proposal includes a \$40 million sweep of SUNY's IFR accounts, which are student fees paid for specific uses such as parking, athletics, technology, health centers and other student services, and

*Whereas*, the same proposal enlists a façade of flexible spending, "allowing" SUNY to use \$75 million of IFR funds to hire and retain faculty, essentially asking students to pay for faculty twice, and then forcing them to choose between faculty or student services on their campus, and

*Whereas*, there was previously a proposal on the table to cut community college base aid by 10 percent, and that proposal could still appear in future legislation,

*Therefore, be it resolved*, that the students of **Monroe Community College of the State University of New York** urge the state legislature to continue to support SUNY, its students, and its families by providing funding when possible to ensure that the highest quality of education can be achieved, and

*Further, be it resolved*, that the students urge the state legislature to not allow student fees to be used for any purpose other than higher education, and

*Further, be it resolved*, that the students urge the state legislature to ensure that 100 percent of base aid be preserved for community college enrollment, and

*Finally, be it resolved*, that the students of **Monroe Community College of the State University of New York** urge the state legislature, and the Governor to understand that by investing in SUNY, you invest in New York.

### NEW BUSINESS Resolutions:

#### Resolution to approve the charter of the Psychology Club

*Whereas*, the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate must approve the charter for any group wishing to become a club, be it

*Resolved*, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approve the charter of the Psychology Club.

#### Resolution to approve the charter of the Latter Day Saints Association

*Whereas*, the Brighton Campus Student Government Association is charged with the chartering of new clubs and organizations, be it

*Resolved*, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association approve the charter of the Latter Day Saints Association.

#### Resolution to approve changes to By-Law 1.1.3

*Whereas*, there are technical corrections in the language of the By-Laws that need to be made in order to facilitate a clearer understanding of their meaning, be it

*Resolved*, that the following changes, as indicated by the words in italics, be made to **By-Law 1.1.3**:

From:

If a Speaker has not yet been elected, the President shall run the meeting. If the President is unavailable, the Vice President shall run the meeting. If a Speaker has been elected and is unable to run the meeting, the Deputy Speaker shall run the meeting. *If neither the Speaker nor the Deputy Speaker is able to run the meeting*, the Senate shall, by majority vote, elect the presiding officer of the meeting.

To:

If a Speaker has not yet been elected, the President shall run the meeting. If the President is unavailable, the Vice President shall run the meeting. If a Speaker has been elected and is unable to run the meeting, the Deputy Speaker shall run the meeting. *In all cases not herein provided for, where there is no indicated presiding officer present*, the Senate shall, by majority vote, elect the presiding officer of the meeting.

#### Resolution to approve changes to By-Law 2.1.2

*Whereas*, there are technical corrections in the language of the By-Laws that need to be made in order to facilitate a clearer understanding of their meaning, be it

*Resolved*, that the following changes, as indicated by the words in italics, be made to **By-Law 2.1.2**:

From:

A faculty/staff member who has agreed to act as the club's advisor. *Lack of an advisor will not be the sole criterion for not chartering.*

To:

A faculty/staff member who has agreed to act as the club's advisor. *If all other criteria for chartering have been met, a written certification that the club has attempted to secure an advisor, but has yet to locate a suitable choice agreeable to the club, shall be*

*acceptable for the purposes of meeting this requirement for chartering. This certification must be signed by the club's officers and the Assistant Director of the Campus Center for Clubs and Organizations.*

**Resolution to approve changes to By-Law 2.1.4**

*Whereas*, there are technical corrections in the language of the By-Laws that need to be made in order to facilitate a clearer understanding of their meaning, be it

***Resolved***, that the following changes, as indicated by the words in italics, be made to **By-Law 2.1.4**:

From:

*A spokesperson and/or members of the club must* be present to respond to questions when the Senate meeting on chartering is held. If no member is able to appear at the Senate meeting the appropriate Club Senator may *be the* spokesperson.

To:

*Members of the club and/or an advisor for the club should* be present to respond to questions when the Senate meeting on chartering is held. If no member *or advisor* is able to appear at the Senate meeting, the appropriate Club Senator may *act as* spokesperson.