



**MONROE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
STUDENT ASSOCIATION SENATE MEETING
MINUTES FOR
Tuesday, May 12, 2015 2:15 PM-Forums (3-130)**

Student Senators:

Senator Greco
Senator Tower-*absent*
Senator Frost
Senator Jackson
Senator Viele
Senator White

Speaker of the Senate:

Jeremy Carmichael

Deputy Speaker:

Michael Lavere

President:

Suhail Prasathong-*absent*

SL&LD Advisor:

Elizabeth Stewart

SL&LD Advisor:

Rebecca Herzog-*absent*

SA Secretary:

Lisa Truman

Visitors: Miray Akbaba, Global Union; Wasila Khattab, Global Union; Andy Binder, MCC Student; Katya Mailloux-Kuz, Travel Club; Holly Pumputis, Hospitality Club; Dr. Susan Baker, Assistant Vice-President-Student Services; Dr. Lloyd Holmes, Vice-President-Student Services, Michael Klugo, Travel Club, Katya Jones, MCC Student Trustee/PTK.

I. CALL TO ORDER (2:15pm)

A. Roll Call (See attendance above)

B. Approval of the May 5, 2015 Minutes.

Speaker Carmichael called for a motion to approve the May 5, 2015 SGA Minutes.

Senator Jackson so moved, seconded by Senator Frost.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the May 5, 2015 Minutes as written.

II. SPEAK TO THE SENATE

Miray Akbaba, the President of Global Union, thanked the Senate for the funding approval for International Day, which was held on April 28. The event was a complete success. It was a blending of cultures that brought different people and groups together. Events like this promote awareness of different cultures and their customs and foods. There were approximately 100 more people than expected, but the event ran smoothly and everyone enjoyed the food, talent show, and activities that represented different cultures. She gave a big thank you to the Muslim Club and the African United Club for their assistance in the planning and preparation.

Dr. Lloyd Holmes is in attendance today to discuss the new MCC Student Code of Conduct. He and Dr. Susan Baker from the Student Services Division have distributed copies of the proposed new code of conduct and Dr. Holmes would like to review it with the Senate. The goal was to make this document as clear and concise as possible. Dr. Holmes has approximately 20 years of experience with student conduct, and he felt it was extremely important that everyone understands the codes and how they work. MCC students, faculty, and staff should know exactly what the process is if a code is violated and we should have one system in place that deals with all issues. The current Code of Conduct has several methods and possible outcomes when a code is violated, and the new Code of Conduct has a singular system and process so all understand what should occur. The new Code of Conduct's judicial proceedings will be conducted by

a MCC Judicial Board. The board will consist of four (4) students, four (4) Faculty Association members, and two (2) CSEA members. The students will have a one (1) year term, and the faculty and staff will hold a two (2) year term. Dr. Holmes is pleased MCC would have a Judicial Board, and is confident this will allow for a streamlined process regarding conduct reviews, hearings, and sanctions. The revised Code of Conduct will be voted on in August.

Katya Mailloux-Kuz and Michael Klugo from the Travel Club attended the meeting to report back on their trip which was a cruise aboard the MSC Divina. This was the Travel Club's Spring 2015 trip and provided valuable insight into the cruise industry and the way things are ran and planned. The students got to see first-hand how passengers, food storage, "tendering" ship to shore excursions, and entertainment was planned. They received a "behind the scenes" tour of areas of the ship passengers would not get to see, and were able to witness ship operations on a daily basis. They toured several islands of the Caribbean and got to experience local culture. They thanked the Senate for this opportunity and it was extremely beneficial for those who are interested in the Travel and Tourism industry.

III. REPORTS

Vice-President Moore

Elections are over and he is excited to have a strong SGA and new SGA Constitution next year. He is proud to be our next President of the SGA and is looking forward to getting started and hopes to accomplish a lot in the year to come.

Speaker Carmichael

Thanked everyone for a great year. He enjoyed serving the student body in his role as Speaker of the Senate and is looking forward to serving as the Student Trustee next year. He is very excited to see what the SGA does next year with the new constitution, and wishes all good luck. He reminds that he will be around campus and is always available to assist. Speaker Carmichael gave special thanks to Advisor Stewart, Advisor Herzog, and to SGA Secretary Truman. He is appreciate of all the hard work they have put in this past year as they would not have been able to do everything they ended up doing this past year.

Deputy Speaker Lavere

He had a blast working with everyone this past year, and gave thanks to Advisor Stewart, Advisor Herzog, and SGA Secretary Truman. He will look forward to hearing how everything goes with the new SGA Constitution. He hopes to keep in touch while he continues his education this fall at SUNY Geneseo.

Senator Jackson

She has spent her time last week working on the elections and the scavenger hunt. She was pleased with the results. There were approximately 15 fully completed scavenger hunts turned in and she felt this was a great turnout. Additionally, there was an excellent turn out for the elections themselves. At times, there were long lines of people waiting to vote. As much as she would like to say this was due to the scavenger hunt, she honestly felt it was attributed to the cupcakes. She thanked Senator Viele for getting an awesome deal on the delicious cupcakes. She looks forward to working with everyone as we move into the next semester.

Senator White

This past election had a great turn out and she personally thanked everyone for his or her support. She is eager to get to work in the fall with such an exciting new SGA team and constitution and is looking forward to a prosperous new year.

Senator Viele

Thanked everyone from the SGA, CAB, and MCC for one of our best election years. It has been a pleasure to work with everyone from the SGA. The vote count was nearly double that of last years' election and the student body genuinely seemed thrilled to be voting. The cupcake idea went splendidly and really got the students amped up to vote. He is pleased to have won the SG Vice-President seat, and along with his running mate President Elect Blake Moore, they are eager to get started in their new positons. Thank you to CAB for all their hard work at Spring Fling, it was a huge success.

Senator Frost

While she previously joked about joining the SGA for power, the truth is she joined to make a difference. She stated she has grown a lot over this past year and is a different person from when she started the SGA to now that the year is over. She has learned so much from everyone in this room. The best thing about being part of SGA, or any club or organization, is that no matter how many events we do, how many people we bring in, the person that changes the most is you. Her philosophy is "Experience what you can; be a part of anything that lets you in." She hopes everyone has a fantastic summer and when the fall semester starts up, they will be ready to rock and roll.

Senator Greco

It has been a great honor and privilege to work with Student Government. The people he has met and the experiences he has had made this semester simply amazing. He was thinking about writing a fancy, tear-jerking, awe-inspiring speech, however, it turns out he is not the best writer in the world so he just waved to all in the room and said his goodbyes. Senator Greco was pleased with the election and the large number of votes. He congratulated all who won and will be starting their new positions next semester. Spring Fling was a lot of fun and went well. Good luck to all on their finals.

Advisor Stewart

Reminds all the Student Engagement Ceremony is coming up next week on Thursday, and all student leaders should have received an invitation. Please make sure you RSVP. She hopes to see everyone there. While there were some ups and downs with the SGA this year, she was so grateful to have worked with each and every one of its members. She is looking forward to next year, and is very excited to get the new constitution in place. She wished the best of luck to our graduating SGA members who are Senator Greco, Student Trustee Jones, and Deputy Speaker Lavere. The upcoming new year will be an exciting one for all.

IV. NEW BUSINESS**V. DISCUSSION ITEM****VI. OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

VII. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

There were no questions and comments.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Speaker Carmichael called for a motion for adjournment.
Senator Jackson so moved, seconded by Senator Greco.
The meeting was adjourned at 3:24pm.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Truman
SA Secretary