



**MONROE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
STUDENT ASSOCIATION SENATE MEETING
MINUTES FOR
Tuesday, February 27, 2007**

Present:

Senators:

Senator Affinito
Senator Bickel
Senator Dentico
Senator Haefner
Senator Lawson
Senator Pannoni
Senator Quider
Senator Wagoner

President:

Kyle W. Madden

Vice President:

Brian Pruden

Speaker/At-Large Senator

Joe Marini

Deputy Speaker/At-Large Senator

Dan Elliott

Campus Center Advisor:

Elizabeth Stewart

Faculty Advisor:

Joseph McCauley

Visitors: Dick Ryther, Dr. Baker, Student Services; Tom Priester, Shirley Batistta-Provost, Campus Center; Nate Stevenson, Yanina Yockel, Students; Kyle Mink, Biology Club; Jaime Smith, Sean Frischmann, CAB; Jennifer Houghtaling, MCC Pride Alliance; Tony DiFabio, Peer Mentor; Stephen Berds, Chemistry Club; Nate Arrowsmith, Alumnus; Donna Brennan, Secretary Campus Center.

I. CALL TO ORDER (2:20 p.m.)

A. Roll Call

(See attendance above)

B. Approval of February 13, 2007 minutes

Speaker Marini called for a motion to approve the minutes for February 13, 2007.

Senator Wagoner so motioned, seconded by Senator Quider.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association unanimously approves the February 13, 2007 minutes as written.

II. SPEAK TO THE SENATE

There was no one to speak to the senate.

III. REPORTS

A. Speaker's Report

Speaker Marini...

- **Current projects** he is working on: A Disability Awareness for Mobility on Campus (A.D.A.M. on Campus) with Lauren Burdett, Vice President for HGSP; a fundraiser in collaboration with the Engineering Leadership Council; a Snow Sculpting Competition on campus; the MERT program with Mike Dentico and Ron Quider.

B. President's Report

President Madden...

- **Rochester Democrat & Chronicle** - he was quoted in a front-page article on Sunday, February 25, about MCC. Thank you to Matt Daneman from the D&C.
- **Roberts Wesleyan College** - he will visit on Wednesday, February 28, continuing his tour of local colleges.
- **State of the Students Address** on March 12 - invitations went out; several people have already responded. He asked the Senators to touch base with their constituents, specifically club senators. Please make sure they RSVP by Friday, March 2.

- **Smoking on campus** - Coordinators Munnings and Raskind will be putting together a student survey. This was a big topic at the Fall SUNY Student Assembly conference and now Monroe will do their part to investigate student opinion.
- **Library** - Coordinators Steffen and Kennedy will be joining Senator Bickel in an effort to change policy to better assist the students using this important resource as a learning tool and for academic purposes.

C. Senator Reports

Senator Pannoni...

➤ **MCC Athletics Program:**

Men's hockey team - dominated the scoreboard from the start of the game against Cornell, ending in an 11-4 win; the team won its first regional title in the program's history, defeating North Country Community College 3-2 in overtime. They will travel to Bottineau, ND on March 2-4 for a chance at the National Championship title.

Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving teams - finished 1st place in the District Championship. Kazuma Uda was named Northeast District Outstanding performer. Coaches Dan Dubois, Tim Dubois and Scott Josephson were named Coaches of the Year. Both teams will attend the NJCAA National Championship meet on March 7-10 in Buffalo.

- **Food Service Committee** - concluded the student survey on food preference and concerns before the break. Among the concerns were dining atmosphere, time spent in lines and price range. Results will be compiled and the committee will decide what the next step will be.

C. Campus Center Advisor

Campus Center Advisor Stewart...

- **Emerging Leaders Program** – will be held on Wednesday, March 21, from 4 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in Monroe A&B. This program is a great tool for all clubs/organizations to recruit for next year. The students who attend this program have been recommended by MCC faculty as potential student leaders and it is our job to try to connect them with something. The clubs/organizations will have tables and she asked the Student Government to start thinking about what they want to do at the reception to recruit students for next year and for elections.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. ACTION ITEMS (Items requiring a Senate vote)

a. Club Documents

Resolved, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association approve the documents brought before it by the Chemistry Club, Spanish Club and the Native American Cultural Society, fulfilling their obligation as outlined in the by-laws.

Speaker Marini called for a motion to approve the documents brought forward by the above clubs.

Senator Pannoni so motioned, seconded by Senator Haefner.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association unanimously approves the documents brought forward by the Chemistry Club, Spanish Club, and the Native American Cultural Society.

b. Request for funds

Resolved, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association approve the Biology Club request for funds in the amount of \$500.

Speaker Marini called for a motion to approve the Biology Club request for funds in the amount of \$500.

Senator Wagoner so motioned, seconded by Senator Quider.

Discussion:

Kyle Mink, President of the Biology Club, gave an update on the status of ticket sales. The funds being requested are for the speaker's fee and they do not expect to make any profit from the program. If a profit is made, the money will go back to the funds requested from the Senate. President Madden asked for a clarification of the \$75.00 for signed books.

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Kyle explained that the \$75 is to purchase books which will be signed by E. O. Wilson and sold to the public.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association unanimously approves the Biology Club request for funds in the amount of \$500.

V. QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

President Madden strongly encouraged all Senators, students and faculty to attend the Open Faculty Senate Meeting on Academic Honesty on February 28, at noon in 8-100.

Senator Affinito explained that the professor in her Education class mentioned that most of the education classes next year will be held at the Damon Campus. Many of the students, especially those who live on campus, are very upset about this because of transportation issues. She asked about a shuttle service.

Mr. Ryther explained that there is a Transportation/Parking at Damon Committee and that topic has been discussed. There has been discussion with the bus company concerning the possibility of a shuttle and other services the bus company could provide. He suggested she email him some of the student's concerns and he will take them to the committee.

She also asked about a parking pass for both campuses.

Mr. Ryther explained that there is a parking pass for the students who take classes primarily at the Damon Campus which he believes waves the parking fee on the Brighton Campus. He suggested she contact Leah Dyer who would be able to explain that program to her. Mr. Ryther also explained that the MCC Association negotiated a contract with St. Joseph's Garage which allows the Damon students to buy a parking pass for \$60.00 for the semester. That program is subsidized by the MCC Association.

Dr. Baker suggested that the students talk to their teachers and the chair of the department.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

At 2:37 p.m. Speaker Marini called for a motion to adjourn.

Senator Wagoner so motioned; Senator Pannoni seconded the motion. The Senate meeting was adjourned.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Respectfully submitted,



Donna Brennan
Student Association Secretary

Resolutions for February 27, 2007

Club Documentation Resolution

Whereas section 2.3.3 of the Brighton Campus Student Government Association by-laws outlines that clubs and organizations deliver to the senate a list of officers and an interpretation of their mission statement, be it

Resolved that the Brighton Campus Student Government recognizes and approves the documents brought forward by the Chemistry Club, the Spanish Club, and the Native American Cultural Society fulfilling their obligation as outlined in the by-laws.

Fund Request Resolution

Whereas the Brighton Campus Student Government Association is charged with the promotion of the general welfare on campus and to provide programs of educational value, be it

Resolved that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approve the Biology Club request for funds in the amount of \$500.00.