

# MONROE COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENT ASSOCIATION SENATE MEETING MINUTES FOR

Tuesday, March 10, 2015 2:15 PM-Forums (3-130)

**Student Senators:** Speaker of the Senate:

Senator Greco Jeremy Carmichael (acting President) SL&LD Advisor:
Senator Tower-late Elizabeth Stewart

Deputy Speaker:

Michael Lavere (acting Speaker) SL&LD Advisor: Rebecca Herzog

**President:** 

**SA Secretary:** Lisa Truman

**Visitors:** Benjamin Lapchuk, Campus Ambassadors; Blake Moore, MCC Student; Edin Polozanin, MCC Student; Ginny Geer-Mentry, MCAA; Jennifer Pfaff, Honors Student Council; Dr. Susan Baker, Student Services; Joe Allen, Comic Creators.

## I. CALL TO ORDER (2:19pm)

Senator Balzano

#### A. Roll Call (See attendance above)

## B. Approval of the March 3, 2015 Minutes.

Acting Speaker Lavere called for a motion to approve the March 3, 2015 SGA Minutes. Senator Greco so moved, seconded by Senator Balzano.

A vote was taken.

**Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association,** approves the March 3, 2015 Minutes as written.

# II. SPEAK TO THE SENATE

There was no one to speak to the Senate.

## III. REPORTS

## **Acting President Carmichael**

Thanked all for a job well done on the SGA President and Vice-President Search Committee. There were some exceptional candidates. He reminds all Dr. Kress and Dr. Holmes will be speaking at next weeks' meeting. Please sign-up and notify others of the upcoming bus trip to SUNY Speaks Up! in Albany. The trip will take place on March 24<sup>th</sup> and is open to all who would like to go.

## **Advisor Stewart**

The Emerging Leaders table sign-up sheet is up and running in OrgSync. Please go online and sign-up now.

## IV. NEW BUSINESS

## a. Resolution for the approval of Suhail Prasathong as SGA President.

*Resolved*, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves Suhail Prasathong as SGA President for the remainder of the 2015 Spring Semester.

Acting Speaker Lavere called for a motion to approve the resolution.

Senator Greco so moved, seconded by Senator Balzano.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved,* the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves Suhail Prasathong as SGA President for the remainder of the 2015 Spring Semester.

#### b. Resolution for the approval of Blake Moore as SGA Vice-President.

*Resolved*, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves Blake Moore as SGA Vice-President for the remainder of the 2015 Spring Semester.

**Acting Speaker Lavere** called for a motion to approve the resolution.

Senator Greco so moved, seconded by Senator Balzano.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved*, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves Blake Moore as SGA Vice-President for the remainder of the 2015 Spring Semester.

#### c. Resolution to approve the 2015-2016 Student Trustee Elections Packet.

*Resolved*, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the 2015-2016 Student Trustee Elections Pack.

**Acting Speaker Lavere** called for a motion to approve the resolution.

Senator Balzano so moved, seconded by Senator Greco.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved*, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the 2015-2016 Student Trustee Elections Packet.

## d. Resolution to approve the 2015-2016 SGA Elections Packet.

*Resolved*, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the 2015-2016 SGA Elections Packet.

**Acting Speaker Lavere** called for a motion to approve the resolution.

Senator Balzano so moved, seconded by Senator Greco.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved,* the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the 2015-2016 SGA Elections Packet.

#### V. DISCUSSION ITEM

Diane Shoger, Executive Director, from the MCC Foundation discussed the MCC Naming Policy and Procedures. The MCC Foundation is a non-profit entity whose purpose is to seek out gifts to support our many programs, student services and scholarships. The continue to provide a level of excellence to enhance our students' experience here at MCC. The focus now has been student scholarships that are a high priority. Naming policies are common, and many donations are named after philanthropists on either physical assets or awarded scholarships. The MCC Foundation is responsible for creating guidelines for naming opportunities for physical and non-physical assets. Ms. Shoger noted the last time this policy has been revamped or changed was in the year 2000. They are looking into the policy to keep it consistent with the times, and to discuss name removals if deemed necessary. She is visiting various MCC groups to raise awareness of the policy and to explain possible changes.

#### VI. OLD BUSINESS

# a. Resolution that the Senate consents to the funding of \$1000.00 to the Future Educators for their trip to Washington, D.C.

*Resolved*, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association approves the resolution that the Senate consents to the funding of \$1000.00 to the Future Educators for their trip to Washington, D.C.

Acting Speaker Lavere called for a motion to un-table the resolution.

Senator Greco so moved, seconded by Senator Tower.

**Discussion:** Deputy Speaker Lavere notes that while the Future Educators were not able to make this SGA meeting due to scheduling difficulties, he would like to go ahead and vote on the funding request. This is an educational trip that is invaluable to the club and provides a lot of information for their future career plans and goals.

Acting Speaker Lavere called for a motion to approve the funding of \$1000.00 to the Future Educators for their Washington, D.C. trip.

Senator Greco so moved, seconded by Senator Balzano.

A vote was taken.

*Be it resolved*, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the motion to consent to the funding of \$1000.00 to the Future Educators for their Washington, D.C. trip.

# VII. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Senator Tower thanked all the clubs and organizations who attended the Monthly Roundtable last week. It was a great turnout. There are many great events coming up. Several clubs offered to assist with the upcoming SGA sponsored Red Cross Blood Drive on April 15<sup>th</sup> either by volunteering at the event, or helping with promoting the event.

## VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Acting Speaker Lavere called for a motion for adjournment. Senator Greco so moved, seconded by Senator Balzano.

A vote was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:43pm.

## IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Truman SA Secretary