



**MONROE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION SENATE MEETING
MINUTES FOR
Tuesday, November 2, 2010
2:15 p.m. – Forum (3-130)**

Student Senators:

Academic Clubs Senator Li
At-Large Senator DiPonzio - **Absent**
At-Large Senator Shaffner
Athletics Senator Sharp
Interdisciplinary Studies Senator Wassel-Saxe
Residence Hall Senator Young
Science, Health & Business Senator Snyder
Service Clubs Senator Hannah - **Absent**
Social Clubs Senator Blue

President:

Jason Childers

Vice President

Christopher Hollander

Speaker/Media Senator

Mirlin Moorefield

Deputy Speaker/At-Large Senator

Jack Hills

Assistant Deputy Speaker/CAB Senator

Diamond Simmons

Campus Center Advisor:

Elizabeth Stewart - **Absent**

Faculty Advisor:

Joseph McCauley

Campus Center Advisor:

Rebecca Herzog

Visitors: Dick Ryther, Student Services; Annette Agness, MCC Association, Inc; Trung Nguyen, Office of Student Life & Leadership Development; Alice Wilson, Ted Ciambor, Pam Czaja, Library; Tony DiFabio, Peer Mentor; Cam Tran, Psychology Club; Zachary Renn, Student; Donna Brennan, SA Secretary.

I. CALL TO ORDER (2:15 p.m.)

A. Roll Call

(See attendance above)

B. Approval of October 26, 2010 Senate Meeting Minutes

Acting Speaker Hills called for a motion to approve the October 26, 2010 Senate Meeting Minutes.

Senator Snyder so moved, seconded by Senator Sharp.

There was no discussion

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves the October 26, 2010 Senate meeting minutes as written.

C. Approval of September 14, 2010 Senate Meeting Minutes

Acting Speaker Hills called for a motion to approve the September 14, 2010 Senate Meeting Minutes.

Senator Blue so moved, seconded by Senator Young.

There was no discussion.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves the September 14, 2010 Senate meeting minutes as written.

II. SPEAK TO THE SENATE

Advisor Herzog announced upcoming CAB events: Dodge Ball Tournament, November 11 at 2:00 p.m., teams of five can sign up in the CAB office or email Jon Muniz; Make Your Own Dry Erase Board, November 16 from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.; Open Mic Night; Fall Ball, November 19, tickets free for students, MCC students are allowed one guest for \$5.00 which can be purchased online at www.monroecctickets.com; Ragtime is the Fall musical, November 19-21, tickets can be purchased at www.monroecctickets.com.

III. REPORTS

A. Acting Deputy Speaker

Acting Deputy Speaker Simmons...

- SUNY SA Conference in Binghamton was a good experience. She did some networking and learned about new ideas to bring back to campus. The Water Justice Alliance answered some of her unanswered questions and she would like to bring that program to Monroe.
- Health Event – she is working with Michael Gray on the event scheduled for March 22, 2011.

B. Senators

Senator Blue...

- SUNY SA Conference in Binghamton – he attended along with other members of the SGA, but not as a voting delegate. Once there, he realized that his duty was to acquire knowledge not only from workshops but from other schools in the SUNY system. The workshops he attended dealt with diversity and understanding of other people, which he believes is the key to SGA's success as a servant leadership organization. When speaking to other delegates many expressed their issues with safety and security; he offered them the advice of unifying the campus police and the city police in their respective cities. He also informed everyone that MCC is very highly viewed by the rest of the SUNY system.

Senator Wassel-Saxe...

- **Interdisciplinary Senator** – she is currently doing research on what her job means and what she does; she has contacted Carol Adams, Dean of Interdisciplinary Studies to learn more about the department.

Senator Young...

- **R.A. All Commons Meeting** – he attended the meeting on October 20, 2010; he gave a brief introduction about his position and handed out his business cards to the RAs and RDs. Shelitha Dickerson, Director of Housing and Residence Life, explained the Student Government and the position of Residence Hall Senator to all present.
- **Congratulations** to Eddie Visagie for becoming a new RA in Tribune Hall.

D. Faculty Advisor

Faculty Advisor McCauley suggested that everyone go vote then watch the returns at the Election Results Party.

E. Office of Student Life & Leadership Development Advisor

Advisor Herzog mentioned that she, some of the CAB students, and a Damon contingent will be in Florida for the NCSL Conference in Florida this weekend; she will be back on Tuesday, November 9.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. ACTION ITEMS (Items requiring a Senate vote)

a. Resolution to approve the funding of \$2000 to the Outdoors Activities Unlimited

Resolved, that the Senate consents to the funding of \$2,000 to the Outdoor Activities Unlimited.

Acting Speaker Hills called for a motion to table the resolution.

Senator Wassel-Saxe so moved, seconded by Senator Blue.

A vote was taken.

The resolution is tabled.

b. Resolution to approve the funding of \$550 to the Psychology Club

Resolved, that the Senate consents to the funding of \$550 to the Psychology Club.

Acting Speaker Hills called for a motion to approve the funding of \$550 to the Psychology Club.

Senator Li so moved, seconded by Senator Sharp.

Discussion:

Cam Tran, representing the Psychology Club, explained that the money will help fund a dinner the Psychology Club students will have with Dr. Iuzzini after his lecture on Friday, November 12. They will discuss topics from his lecture.

Senator Snyder stated that the Finance Committee looked at the proposal and found that the lecture will be very positive and will have considerable value and it is open to the whole student body.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves the funding of \$550 to the Psychology Club.

c. Resolution to approve Zachary Renn as the Campus Technology Coordinator

Resolved, that the Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate approves Zachary Renn as the Campus Technology Coordinator for the 2010 – 2011 academic year.

Acting Speaker Hills called for a motion to approve Zachary Renn as the Campus Technology Coordinator. Senator Wassel-Saxe so moved, seconded by Senator Young.

Discussion:

Zachary introduced himself and stated that he plans to pick up where the previous Campus Technology Coordinator left off with addressing the campus Wi-Fi issues and any other issues as they come up.

Senator Li stated that Zachary has been working very closely with Rahul Raja, the previous Campus Technology Coordinator.

Senator Blue offered his support for Zachary and mentioned that Zachary has been in the office speaking with the Senators and discussing what the problems are and what he would like to do.

A vote was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves Zachary Renn as the Campus Technology Coordinator for the 2010 – 2011 academic year.

d. Resolution to approve Committee Members

Resolved, that the Senate consents to the appointment of the Kelly Bynes and Jack Hills to the By-Laws Committee, and Alexandra Wassel-Saxe to the Events Committee for the 2010-2011 academic year.

Acting Speaker Hills called for a motion to approve Committee Members.

Senator Shaffner so moved, seconded by Senator Sharp.

Discussion:

President Childers offered a friendly amendment to remove the word “the” from in front of Kelly Bynes in the last sentence of the resolution.

Senator Sharp so moved, seconded by Senator Li.

A vote to amend the resolution was taken.

The friendly amendment is approved.

There was no discussion on the amended resolution.

A vote on the amended resolution was taken.

Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Brighton Campus Student Government Association Senate unanimously approves the appointment of Kelly Bynes and Jack Hills to the By-Laws Committee, and Alexandra Wassel-Saxe to the Events Committee for the 2010-2011 academic year.

VI. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Vice President Hollander congratulated Zachary Renn for being approved as Campus Technology Coordinator.

Alice Wilson, Ted Ciambor and Pam Czaja from the Library talked about the noise complaints they are receiving. They have people coming into the library who are looking for quiet study, people who are doing group study, and also people who think of it as a party place. They explained some of the actions the Library Environment Committee has taken: the 3rd floor is now an exclusively quiet floor, single study rooms and single study carrels are available; the 4th floor has become the group study floor. Alice mentioned the Library Student Advisory Committee which was designed to get student input on library resources and services; they would welcome more student representation on the committee; Alice will send Committee information to Deputy Speaker Hills. They asked the Student Government for help with dealing with issues and with looking at other environmental aspects. Ted mentioned that there is signage throughout the Library but many students have said they didn't see it; they are looking into more signage. Senator Shaffner suggested that the Monroe Doctrine print an article on Library Etiquette. Acting Deputy Speaker Hills stated that he would like to get some of the Senators involved in the LSAC and to see what they can do to help mitigate some of the issues.

Vice President Hollander asked about iPads and Kindles in the library. Alice stated that their Gadget Committee is looking into that. He also asked if the “Books That Made a Difference” project is being planned for this year. Alice informed him that they are planning that project again for this year.

Senator Blue congratulated Acting Speaker Hills for the great job he did running the meeting today.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

At 2:55 p.m. Acting Speaker Hills called for a motion to adjourn. Senator Snyder so moved, seconded by Senator Young. The Senate meeting was adjourned.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Brennan
SA Secretary