



**MONROE COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
STUDENT ASSOCIATION SENATE MEETING  
MINUTES FOR  
Tuesday, February 25, 2014 2:15 PM-Forum (3-130)**

**Student Senators:**

Academic Clubs Senator Jopson-**late**  
At-Large Senator Poloznik  
Social Clubs Senator Williams  
Senator Jackson-**absent**  
Senator Major  
At Large Senator Cassidy  
At Large Senator Savarese  
Science, Health & Business Senator Wyble  
Service Clubs Senator Schollnick

**Speaker of the Senate:**

Adrian Hale

**Deputy Speaker:**

Glenn Rapp

**President:**

Nelson Clark

**Vice President:**

Mark White-**late**

**SL&LD Advisor:**

Elizabeth Stewart

**SL&LD Advisor:**

Rebecca Herzog

**SA Secretary:**

Lisa Truman

**Visitors:** Christopher Cormack, Celtic Society; Evan Marcellus, Celtic Society; Jon Wilson, Celtic Society; Ben Wilson, Celtic Society; Joe McLean, WMCC; Ken Koban, WMCC; Patty Henkel, WMCC; Ameen Smith, WMCC; Andy Binder, MCC Student; Morgan Shoff, Celtic Society; William Golson, Campus Ambassadors; Amy Alexander, MCC Student/Math Tutor; Kristian Ambubuyog, MCC Music Student.

**I. CALL TO ORDER (2:22pm)**

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

**B. Approval of the February 11<sup>th</sup> Minutes.**

Speaker Hale called for a motion to approve the February 11<sup>th</sup> Minutes.

Senator Poloznik so moved, Senator Schollnick seconded.

**A vote was taken.**

**Be it resolved, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association, approves the February 11<sup>th</sup> Minutes as written.**

**II. SPEAK TO THE SENATE**

President Clark reported on Dr. Kress's "Vision for Shared Government". He provided a draft proposal to all which was an outline of her vision, and how she would like the various institutional constituencies to interact. Several questions on specifics of the draft are asked of Senators, and President Clark reminds all this is a draft outline only, and Dr. Kress would like any and all feedback. Senator Schollnick suggests putting together an written document that would provide specifics and more detail of what the Student Government actually does, and suggests all in SGA work on that together. President Clark said that is exactly the kind of feedback Dr. Kress is looking for. There are questions regarding if this document will cover all campuses and if the Damon Campus has any thoughts/opinions as of yet. President Clark stated the document should be distributed to all and everyone is welcome to provide input and suggestions. Speaker Hale notes if the Senate would like, this could be put on a future agenda as a discussion topic.

### III. REPORTS

#### **President Clark**

He has appointed Alex Cassidy to the Association Board as per the association By-Laws. He is currently perusing the formality of presenting By-Law changes to the association board that will reserve voting seats for students and not student employees. He will present to our association board the proposal to add 2-3 more students on our association board. He felt the association should have a much more significant student presence. He had reviewed the association By-Laws and the maximum amount of voting members is 21, and he felt we were at 13, so adding students would be a vote of the board to do so, and to give them permanent seats, a minor By-Law change. He is getting ready to start election candidate campaigning. It is his intention to find as many potential candidates as possible to run for our SGA officer positions.

#### **Senator Williams**

He was honored to share this report. He has been working with Senator Poloznik on proposals that are on the floor of the senate today. The Club Constitution Committee approved the club charter request from the Revolution, a proposal he had drafted. He has been in contact with The Revolution and is proud to report that they did not wait to become a chartered club to get busy. Their president and others were present at last week's Roundtable Meeting. The rest of his report was from his Roundtable Coordinator duties. February 11, 2014 marked the spring semester's first Monthly Roundtable Meeting. The meeting's basic itinerary is on display back by the sign in sheet for today's open senate meeting. We had a great turnout from our clubs, associations, and organizations. This turnout speaks loudly to him because it represents the commitment from our clubs, associations, and organizations. As the new Roundtable Coordinator, he introduced himself and followed with his expectations. He happily shared that he had no control over previous incidents, but he will be a watchdog for the remainder of this school year. The Celtic Society reminded everyone who participates in the St. Patrick's Day Parade, who are drinking during or showing up intoxicated and wanting to march, will not be allowed. The Veteran's Club said that they would help monitor the event. This is a new float and he encourages all to participate to show their school spirit. As he mentioned in the past concerning the input from clubs, organizations, and associations opinions' about the success, failures, and things they would like to see from their SGA. He asked each individual group to create their own top five list for each category. They were asked to send me those lists within three weeks so they can be assembled and shared with the entire senate, both in closed doors, and also here during an open senate floor meeting.

#### **Senator Savarese**

He was unable to attend the Finance Committee meeting on Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, due to a prior engagement. The Finance Committee has approved and sent on to the Senate two contingency requests for \$2400.00 for the Celtic Society and one for \$250.00 for the Student Music Association. It is the suggestion of the committee that the Senate approve each of these requests. He wants all to be aware the Travel Fund has been exhausted. All of the money in this fund has been appropriated to clubs and organizations. If a club or organization has a need for travel they can still request money from the Senate contingency fund via OrgSync. He was a presenter at the Club Officer/LEAD Seminar on February 14<sup>th</sup>, and demonstrated several OrgSync processes and how clubs and organizations can utilize OrgSync.

#### **Advisor Stewart**

Thanked Brian Steele, the Elections Coordinator for his diligent work on getting items ready for the election. She is looking forward to all finding candidates for the next semester's election. She encourages all to assist Brian, as the election process requires the help of all to be successful. Her trip last week with the members of C.A.B. was a huge success! They had packed days with many ideas for future campus activities and there were over 3000 attendees from all over the country.

#### **Advisor Herzog**

Met with C.A.B. to debrief on trip with Advisor Stewart. They talked about the trip and have multiple events in the works for next year. They are very motivated group. There is a new C.A.B. Director needed for next year, and she would like to see the position filled as soon as possible so the new director can begin in June.

### IV. NEW BUSINESS

#### 1. Action Items (items requiring a Senate vote)

##### **a. Resolution to approve the funding of \$2300.00 to the Celtic Society to participate in the St. Patrick's Day Parade.**

*Resolved*, that the MCC Student Government Association approves the funding of \$2300.00 for the Celtic Society to participate in the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

**Speaker Hale** called for a motion to approve the \$2300.00 for the Celtic Society to participate in the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Senator Williams so moved, seconded by Senator Savarese.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

**A vote was taken.**

**Be it resolved,** the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the funding of \$2300.00 for the Celtic Society to participate in the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

**b. Resolution to approve The Revolution's request to be a chartered club.**

*Resolved,* that the MCC Student Government Association approves The Revolution's request to be a chartered club.

**Speaker Hale** called for a motion to approve the Revolution's request to become a chartered club.

Senator Williams so moved, seconded by Senator Poloznik.

**Discussion:** There was no discussion.

**A vote was taken.**

**Be it resolved,** the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the Revolution's request to become a chartered club.

**c. Resolution to approve the 2014-2015 Elections Packet.**

*Resolved,* that the MCC Student Government Association approves the 2014-2015 Elections Packet.

**Speaker Hale** called for a motion to approve the 2014-2015 Elections Packet.

Senator Poloznik so moved, seconded by Senator Wyble.

**Discussion: Senator Poloznik** offers an amendment to the 2014-2015 Elections packet to increase the amount of promotional flyers from 200 8.5"x11" sheets of paper to 500 sheets, and the amount of promotional buttons to be increased from 60 to 120. (Elections Packet/Elections Rules/ pg.#4&5/sections 1&3 respectively)

**Senator Cassidy** offers an amendment to Senator Poloznik's above amendment to reduce the number of sheets of 8.5"x11" paper to a total of 400. **Senator Schollnick** seconds the amended amendment.

**A vote was taken.**

**Be it resolved,** the amended amendment is passed as per 400 sheets and 120 buttons maximum per candidate.

**Senator Wyble** offers an amendment on the above passed amendment to change the amount of promotional material a candidate shall receive if they are unopposed. He is seconded by **Senator Cassidy**. It is agreed that if a candidate is unopposed they will receive 60 sheets of 8.5"x11" paper and 12 promotional buttons. If a candidate is opposed, they will receive 400 sheets of 8.5"x11" paper and 120 buttons.

**A vote was taken.**

**Be it resolved,** the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the above stated amendment to the previous amended amendment that candidates will be limited to the above-mentioned promotional limits as per if they are running opposed or unopposed.

**Senator Poloznik** offers an amendment to add an additional day to the ATC voting schedule to include both days, May 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> as voting days, instead of just May 6<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday). He proposes the ATC vote the same two days as the MCC Brighton Campus. (Elections Packet/Elections Timeline, pg#1)

**Senator Wyble** seconds.

**A vote was taken.**

**Be it resolved,** the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the above stated amendment and the Elections Packet will be modified as per the above so the ATC will have 2 voting days, May 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, instead of just the one day, May 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Senator Major** offers an amendment to move up the campaign start by 10 days, bringing it to March 31<sup>st</sup> from the current date of April 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Senator Jopson** seconds.

**Discussion:** Advisor Stewart notes due to logistical concerns and the school break, this may not be possible, as promotional materials have to be approved, created, and posted around campus by operations,

**A vote was taken.**

**Be it resolved,** the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate does not approve the resolution to move forward the campaign start by 10 days. The amendment does not pass,

**Senator Jopson** offers an amendment to change the actual election days to May 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> as opposed to May 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> that are listed in the packet. **Senator Poloznik** seconds.

**Discussion:** Advisor Stewart stated the elections are always held on a Tuesday and a Wednesday, and May 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> are the date the facilities are reserved.

**A vote was taken.**

**Be it resolved,** the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the date change to hold the elections on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Speaker Hale** calls for a vote on the resolution with above stated amendments. Senator Wyble seconds.

**Be it resolved,** the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the amended

**d. Resolution to approve the funding of \$250.00 to the Student Music Association to sponsor the program “Jumbo Gumbo” at the School of the Arts.**

*Resolved*, that the MCC Student Government Association approves the funding of \$250.00 for the Student Music Association to sponsor the program “Jumbo Gumbo” at the School of the Arts.

**Speaker Hale** called for a motion to approve funding of \$250.00 for the Student Music Association to sponsor the program “Jumbo Gumbo” at the School of the Arts.

Senator Williams so moved, seconded by Senator Poloznik.

**Discussion:** Kristian Ambubuyog, an MCC Music student, thanks the Senate for their consideration. He stated the music program is shrinking and any and all exposure to music and musical events help bring awareness.

**A vote was taken.**

**Be it resolved**, the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate approves the funding of \$250.00 for the Student Music Association to sponsor the program “Jumbo Gumbo” at the School of the Arts.

**2. Discussion Items**

There were no discussion items.

**V. QUESTIONS & COMMENTS**

Senator Wyble thanks Election Coordinator Brian Steele for all his hard work. It is appreciated. Senator Williams asked Kristian Ambubuyog to approach the microphone and announce the details of the music students’ collaboration with Cabbages and Kings. Mr. Ambubuyog stated the event is called “Authors and Composers” and will be music composed to poetry. It will be held in building #12, in the ensemble room and he is unsure of the time. Senator Poloznik noted if you are going to march in the parade with the Celtic Society, they will need your shirt size by Wednesday of this week. Senator Williams announced the MCC Marching Band will be collaborating with the Celtic Society and marching with them at the St. Patrick’s Day Parade. He reminds this is open to all. Vice-President White reminds again this is an alcohol-free event. Senator Williams is in agreement and stated he will be on the lookout for any alcohol consumption, and any involved party or parties will be asked to leave the event.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

Speaker Hale called for a motion for adjournment. Senator Wyble so moved, with a second from Senator Savarese.

**A vote was taken.**

The meeting adjourned at 3:38pm.

**VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Truman  
SA Secretary