

Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate Meeting Agenda for Tuesday, December 6, 2011 2:15 p.m. - Forum (3-130)

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Roll Call
- B. Approval of the November 29, 2011 Senate Meeting Minutes

II. SPEAK TO THE SENATE

III. REPORTS

- A. Speaker
- **B.** Deputy Speaker
- C. President
- **D.** Vice President
- E. Senators
- **F.** Committee Reports
- G. Office of Student Life & Leadership Development Advisor Stewart
- **H.** Faculty Advisor McCauley
- I. Office of Student Life & Leadership Development Advisor Herzog

IV. NEW BUSINESS

a. <u>Resolution to Approve Rachel Sparks as the CAB Director</u>

Resolved, that the Senate approves & recognizes the appointment of Rachel Sparks as the CAB Director for the 2011-2012 Academic Year.

b. <u>Resolution of Dissent Regarding the Consolidation of Campus Presidencies</u>

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate hereby officially denounces all past actions related to shared presidencies due to the lack of student and faculty input, and demand the delay of any future decisions until research has been conducted and that all future decisions be made in coordination with faculty and student input; and,

Be it further resolved, that any and all future conversations or plans directly involving such drastic measures be properly vetted through the Chancellor-championed, open "shared governance" model, ensuring that students, faculty, and staff are involved in conceiving, planning, implementing, and evaluating such plans; and,

Finally, be it resolved, that the Monroe Community College Student Government Association Senate hereby officially endorses the efforts made in good faith on behalf of all SUNY stakeholders in opposing any plan to share presidencies, and any other proposal that would similarly undermine campus individuality, and pledges support of all such endeavors.

IV. QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

V. ADJOURNMENT

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Student Senators:	President:	Office of Student Life Advisor:
At Large Senator	Michael Gray, II	Elizabeth Stewart
At-Large Senator Isaacs	Vice President	Faculty Advisor:
Academic Clubs Senator Valone	Theresa Ciaccio	Joseph McCauley
CAB Senator Snyder	Speaker/At-Large Senator	Office of Student Life Advisor:
Media Senator Bynes	Scott Blue	Rebecca Herzog
Residence Hall Senator Sears	Deputy Speaker/Service Clubs Senator	
Social Clubs Senator Jackson-Harris	Jason Childers	

Resolutions for the December 6, 2011 MCC Student Government Association Senate Meeting

Resolution to Approve Rachel Sparks as the CAB Director

Whereas, Article III, Section 4E of the MCC Student Government Association Constitution states that President shall appoint, with the advice and consent of the Student Government Senate, all members of the Presidential Cabinet, and *Whereas*, the President has appointed Rachel Sparks to the Position of CAB Director, be it *Resolved*, that the Senate approves & recognizes the appointment of Rachel Sparks as the CAB Director for the 2011-2012 Academic Year.

Resolution of Dissent Regarding the Consolidation of Campus Presidencies

Whereas, the Chancellor of the State University of New York, Dr. Nancy Zimpher, has proposed the implementation of regional "Campus Alliance Networks" and the sharing of administrative services between campuses, a policy commonly known as "Shared Services"; and,

Whereas, on July 28th, 2011, it was announced that SUNY Canton and SUNY Potsdam would be consolidating campus presidencies as a part of Chancellor Zimpher's "Shared Services" initiative; and,

Whereas, other similar announcements were made concerning SUNY I.T., Delhi, Cobleskill, and Morrisville in early August 2011; and,

Whereas, there was only a minimal amount of student input in this matter, as well as a lack of consultation with the individual colleges' councils during the decision making process; and,

Whereas, it may be construed by some as effectively consolidating and merging campuses; and,

Whereas, proper impact studies and discussions among campus constituencies have not been completed in all cases; and,

Whereas, such a move would seriously threaten the long-term viability of, and individuality of our campuses; and,

Whereas, the diversity and individuality of our 64 campuses is the foundation of our strength, a foundation that the State University of New York's entire strategic plan, "The Power of SUNY" relies on; and,

Whereas, such actions taken by the Board of Trustees will further erode the State University of New York's overall average rating as evidenced in the Fall 2011 State University Report Card; and,

Whereas, the rationales that have been publically announced have shown little real direct savings after incidental costs are assessed; and,

Whereas, numerous studies have shown the absence of benefit specific to the Canton/Potsdam case.

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