

MOHAWK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Utica and Rome, New York

SENATE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 4, 2003, PH 300

Present: C. Allard, S. Bice, A. Broski, J. Brown, P. Cruskie, B. Evans, R. Feola, P. Fox, A. Gruebel, C. Harrington, K. Hartman, M. Khan, G. Kulis, S. Machuca, B. Scantlebury, M. Schafer, S. Senior, M. Sewall, R. Spetka, F. Tobiasz, M. Waldrop, D. Willner.

Student: U. Toshinori.

Guests: A. Friedberg, D. McDermott, L. Matthews, J. Myers.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Bice called the meeting to order at 3:33 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Rosemary Spetka moved, and Mike Sewall seconded to accept the minutes of the February 4, 2003, Senate meeting with three corrections submitted by Ralph Feola. The motion was carried by common consent.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Bice:

- attended Executive Committee meetings
- attended search committee meetings for the position of Vice President of Instruction as an Executive Committee member representing the College Senate
- met with the Senate Advisory Committee
- continued to serve as the co-chair of the Periodic Review Report Committee
- notified the College Facilities Committee of the Senate's approval of their proposed change in composition
- appointed Gina Testa-Appel as the Chair of the Ad Hoc Honor Code Committee.

Civita Allard moved, and Gary Kulis seconded, to accept the Chairperson's report. The motion carried by common consensus.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ad Hoc Memorial Committee: Barbara Evans reported that the Committee has a drawing of the layout of the memorial made by Steve Miller from Cornell Cooperative Extension. John Zegarelli has agreed that facilities will do the planting of any flowers, trees, and shrubs that we obtain. Jerry Brown asked if the proposed layout was such that someone could lurk behind a bush or bench and possibly attack someone. Barb Evans responded that nothing in the plan will allow that.

Ad Hoc Honor Code Committee: Sue Bice said that Gina Testa-Appel has been appointed as Chair of the Committee and expects that there will be a meeting held soon.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

College-Wide Calendar Committee: Art Friedberg, Committee Chair, explained the proposed 2004-2005 academic calendar. After discussion, Alina Gruebel moved, and Maimun Khan seconded, to accept the calendar. The motion carried.

Chairperson Bice tabled both of the Academic Policy Committee proposals on matriculation and the class schedule deadline until the next meeting.

Academic Policy Committee: Linda Matthews presented the Committee's proposed wording on credit by examination to be added to the College Catalog on page 17, to read (new wording in boldface):

In addition, the college may grant credit for successful completion of examinations designed and administered by MVCC. **These exams are only available to matriculated MVCC students . Such students must apply through their department head to take such an examination.**

Linda explained that this policy was approved by the Senate some years ago and is reflected in the current form used to apply for credit by examination, but that it was never added into the College Catalog. After discussion, Don Willner moved, and Frank Tobiasz seconded, to accept the proposed wording. The motion carried.

College Senate Nominations and Elections Committee: Chairperson Bice announced that Don Willner has volunteered to chair the committee this year. Gary Kulis and Mike Sewall volunteered to assist.

REPORT BY PRESIDENT SCHAFER

The President reported that the State budget is in serious trouble. He stated that the Assembly's Higher Education Committee would like to restore the community college budget back to the \$23 million level, but no one knows if that will actually happen. He also reported that the proposed \$900 tuition increase for all state-operated colleges may benefit us, thereby increasing our enrollment.

The President was pleased to announce that the Hope 6 grant for the Cornhill Project was awarded, amounting to \$11 million.

REPORT BY STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Uejima Toshinori reported that the Student Government President resigned, and that the Vice President, Anthony Perry, became the President. An election will be held soon to fill in the Vice President vacancy.

Uejima also reported that the Student Government has chartered a 43-seat bus to go to Albany to object to Governor Pataki about the tuition hike and budget cuts. They are currently looking for students, faculty, and staff who would like to go.

ADJOURNMENT

Paul Cruskie moved, and Patty Fox seconded, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm by common consensus.

NEXT MEETINGS

The next Senate meeting will be Tuesday, April 1, at 3:30 pm in PH 300.
The next Senate Advisory Committee meeting will be on Thursday, March 13, 2003, at 11:00 am in PH 391.

Respectfully submitted,

Krista E. Hartman
Recording Secretary