

**MOHAWK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
Utica and Rome, New York

**SENATE MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, April 6, 2004, PC201

**Present:** C. Allard, S. Bice, T. Capraro, D. DiGiorgio, R. Feola, A. Gruebel, C. Harrington, K. Hartman, G. Kulis, D. Larson, K. Mokry, J. Myers, W. Perrotti, B. Quist, B. Scantlebury, M. Schafer, M. Sewall, R. Spetka, M. Waldrop, J. Zegarelli.  
Guest: S. Smith.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 3:57 p.m. on the Rome Campus.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

Dr. Larson moved, and Mike Sewall seconded, to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2004, meeting, with one correction (changing the "m" in p.m. on page 3 to boldface). The motion passed by common consensus.

**CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

- attended Executive Committee meetings
- met with the College Senate Advisory Committee
- conferred with the Chairs of the ad hoc committees: Nominations and Elections, Bylaws and Senate Committees
- conferred with the Chair of the College Senate Safety Committee

**NEW BUSINESS**

Dr. Dan Larson presented a Powerpoint presentation on the State of Instruction at MVCC. Dr. Larson reviewed his goals for instruction. He announced the new programs and those under development. He reported that a project similar to the Millennium Project with Proctor High School in Utica has been formed with Rome Free Academy in Rome. Called the Synergy Project, it is set up in a different way (dual credit) from our alliance with Proctor, and reflects their different needs. Other high schools are being approached for possible liaisons with MVCC.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Ad hoc Memorial Committee: No report

Ad hoc Honor Code Committee: Krista Hartman reported that a proposed Honor Code Statement would be ready for Senate consideration at the May Senate meeting.

Ad hoc Committee on Senate Committees: Christi Harrington reported that the Committee has met once and discussed different approaches to combining committees. They are working on a strategy for approaching the problem. A question was raised as to whether anyone is looking at all the non-Senate committees on campus. The reply was no, that it was the hope that the College Senate would set the example for future studies of other campus committees.

Ad hoc Nominations and Elections Committee: Gary Kulis reported that he had compiled a nomination form and sent it out, but received only 19 returned forms from the Utica campus and 3 from the Rome campus. Since that is not enough for an election, he was directed to send out a second call for nominations. Gary will convene a meeting of the Committee soon to put together a ballot.

Ad hoc Bylaws Committee: Bill Perrotti presented a draft of all the proposed changes to the Senate Bylaws. Changes were discussed up to Article 4, at which time Bill suggested that a Special College Senate meeting be held in two weeks to finish reviewing Articles 4 through 8. The motion passed by common consensus. No vote to pass any of the proposed changes was made at this time.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Academic Calendar for 2005-2006: Chairperson Bice reported that the Academic Calendar for 2005-2006, which was approved by the College Senate in March, will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees this month for approval.

Senate-Sponsored Open Forum: Chairperson Bice announced that the next College Senate-Sponsored Open Forum will be on Thursday, April 15, at 3:15 p.m., in ACC 116, on the topic of Diversity and Global View.

#### **REPORT BY PRESIDENT SCHAFER OR HIS DESIGNEE**

None.

#### **STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPORT**

None.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Larson moved, and Mark Waldrop seconded, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned by common consensus at 5:15 p.m.

#### **NEXT MEETING(S)**

The Special College Senate meeting will be on Tuesday, April 20, 2004, at 3:30 p.m. in PH 300. The next College Senate meeting will be on Tuesday, May 4, 2004, at 3:30 p.m. in PH 300. The next College Senate Advisory Committee meeting will be Tuesday, April 20, 2004, at 3:00 p.m., location TBA.

The first meeting of the new College Senate will be on Tuesday, May 25, 2004, at 3:30 p.m. in PH 300.

Respectfully submitted,

Krista E. Hartman  
Recording Secretary  
College Senate Senator