

MVCC College Senate Meeting

Tuesday, May 19, 2025

1:00pm WH 225

Attendance

Present

E. Brindisi	K. Cordary	S. Crocker	H. Doty	N. Evanoff
S. Frisbee	R. Golden	K. Hanna	J. Ireland	M. Kuczynski
K. McNamara	A. Miller	C. Miller	A. Nolan	M. Parry
Y. Riesbeck	B. Rogan	A. Roy–Small	D. Sonne	D. Swiss
C. VanNamee	R. Wittenberg			

Call to Order

C. Miller called the meeting to order at 1:03 PM.

Welcome to New Senators

C. Miller

C. Miller welcomed the following newly elected/appointed senators to the Senate:

- K. Hanna – Adjunct Faculty at Large
- M. Kuczynski – Faculty at Large
- A. Nolan – Administrative Services
- Y. Riesbeck – Student Affairs
- D. Sonne – Faculty at Large
- D. Swiss – Rome Representative
- C. VanNamee – Faculty at Large
- B. Rogan – Information Technology

Senate Advisory Elections

The following list of Senate Advisory members passed by general consent:

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| ○ E. Bush | ○ A. Miller – FCCC Representative |
| ○ K. Cordary | ○ C. Miller – Chair |
| ○ A. Fried – Faculty Caucus chair | ○ A. Radlowski – Secretary |
| ○ S. Frisbee – Vice-Chair | ○ B. Rogan |
| ○ M. Kuczynski | ○ A. Roy–Small |
| ○ S. McManus | |

Old Business

APSC Academic Amnesty Policy Changes (2nd Reading)

H. Doty

S. Crocker shared a concern that the 2.5 GPA requirement is higher than the graduation requirement of 2.0, and suggested it be changed to 2.0. Robust discussion of this concern followed. R. Golden (K. Cordary) moved to return the policy to APSC to recommend a change to the requirement to 2.0 instead of 2.5 (22, 0, 0).

Responsibilities of the Senator and By-Laws Appendix 3

C. Miller

C. Miller reviewed the following responsibilities of senators:

- Attend all meetings of the College Senate. If you cannot attend a meeting, you should let the Senate Chair (C. Miller) and Senate Secretary (A. Radlowski) know so that you can be marked excused in the minutes and attendance. If you are unable to meet for a semester due to teaching obligations or a sabbatical you should let the Senate Chair know so that a temporary replacement can be found.
- Arrive on time – no College Senate business may take place until a quorum is present.
 - Come prepared – review any materials sent out in advance of the meeting and be prepared to discuss and vote as applicable.
- As your department or division representative you should report back to your department or division the activities of the College Senate.
- As a Senator, you should solicit issues and concerns for College Senate consideration. Issues/concerns should be forwarded to a member of the College Senate Advisory Committee.
- Attend any/all College Senate sponsored Open Forums if your schedule permits.
- Volunteer to serve on College Senate Standing or Ad hoc Committees.

C. Miller remarked that Senate Advisory will discuss how to support at-large representatives with regards to who their constituents are and how to communicate with them, as well as revise the language in this list of responsibilities to better align with Appendix III from the By-Laws.

College Senator Onboarding Mentor/Mentee Session – 5/22/25 9:00–10:30

C. Miller

Brand new senators are asked to attend the Session on the Bonus Day of Institute. C. Miller will answer questions and concerns regarding governance. Returning senators should consider serving as mentors for new senators.

Questions and Open Forum

No announcements, questions, or concerns were raised.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:29 PM.

Next Senate Meeting: Tuesday, September 2nd at 2:30PM in WH 225

Senate Advisory Routing Sheet due: Tuesday, August 19th, 2025

Next Senate Advisory Meeting: Tuesday, August 26th at 2:30PM via Teams

Respectfully submitted,
Anna Radlowski