

STUDENT CONGRESS
12/7/17

Erica called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

Erica asked for the approval of the minutes from last week's meeting. Trey Moore motioned to approve the minutes and Dawn Foster seconded. The motion passed.

Erica introduced Kristen Raab from the Learning Commons. She spoke to the students about citations and how to write research papers. Kristen provided a hand-out for the students that gave them helpful hints and also provided links for help with writing papers MLA and APA style.

President Report

Jennifer was absent, so Erica gave her report. She showed the students how to confirm their charges on the MVCC website. All students must do this by January 12, 2018 or they will risk losing the classes they have scheduled.

Vice President of Utica Report

Erica reminded everyone that they must attend the next meeting in order to meet the attendance policy. A schedule of each four week time period for the spring semester will be posted on Blackboard.

Vice President of Rome Report

Tyler was absent so Taryn gave his report. Ashley Gavin went over well. The next event will be Snacks with Santa on Dec. 15th from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Treasurer Report

Taryn stated that the amount in the Developmental Account is \$45,922.99. She informed everyone that all trips and all receipts for trips must be completed and turned in by December 14th.

Trustee Report

Dylan stated the Hawks Against Hate tabling went well. He has emailed Facilities to ask them to monitor the hand sanitizers and make sure they remain filled. He spoke with the Accessibility Services about their office sign and was informed that the office has to wait until other offices in the area have their signs changed as well. They will all be done at the same time. Until then, they will take down the Disability Services sign. Dylan asked if there were any new concerns and there were none. If there are any concerns that you don't want to bring up in the meeting, please email Dylan at sctrustee@mvcc.edu.

Program Board Director Report

Kate stated the Winter Ball went very well and everyone had a great time. The last Open Mic Night is Dec. 12th at 8:30 p.m. in the ACC Snack Bar. Late Night Breakfast is Dec. 13th at 10 p.m. in the ACC Snack Bar. Kate stated there are no DGVs left. Program Board meets every Friday at 2 p.m. in ACC 222. Please follow Program Board on the various social media sites.

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Proposals

Student Nurses Organization requested \$4,997 for jackets and t-shirts. Ivana Mistic motioned to allow the club to keep the apparel and Kupr Kuprian seconded. The motion passed.

Unmanned Aerial Solutions requested \$2,719.85 for drones. They were asked if the drones were professional survey equipment and they said no. They were asked if they knew the range of the drones and they said they were not sure.

Future Engineers Club initially requested \$10,275 for a trip to the USA Science and Engineering Festival in Washington D.C. Tri Duong motioned to change the amount to \$12,712.50 and Joe Dibble seconded. The motion passed. They were asked if 50 students would be going and they said yes. They were asked if the bus cost included transportation all weekend and they said yes. They were asked why these companies that are going to be at the conference couldn't come to MVCC and they said they have asked them, but the companies are not keen on coming to community colleges.

Anime Haven initially requested \$5,835 to go to UBCon at the University of Buffalo. Alec Virgil motioned to change the amount to \$6,000 and Allison Eastman seconded. The motion passed. They were asked why the cost for the hotel was increasing by \$500, would there be more students attending? They stated they weren't sure as the members are always changing. Sandy informed them that they could continue with their proposal but they must present exact numbers at the meeting next week.

All proposals passed, except for Future Engineers and Anime Haven which will be voted on next week.

Open Floor

Sandy informed the students that the deadline for turning in the forms and a copy of their schedule was Dec. 1st. Until you turn in that form, you are not an active member of Student Congress. Once you turn in the paperwork, you will automatically be active again. You will not have to ask Congress to be re-instated.

Zach Stachelski from the Drama Club announced that they are selling Gertrude Hawk chocolate bars. If you are interested, see a member to purchase some.

Adjournment

Zach Stachelski motioned to adjourn and Maeve Yourdon seconded. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.