

STUDENT CONGRESS
11/30/17

Jennifer called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

Jennifer asked for the approval of the minutes from the meeting on November 16th. Zach Stachelski motioned to approve the minutes and Kristen Eisenhut seconded. The motion passed.

Jennifer introduced Morris Pearson and Brittany Dielemans from the Civic Responsibilities Office. They spoke to the students about the importance of completing the trip paperwork in a timely fashion. They explained the work that is involved in checking the student names and how this procedure can help make the trip a success for everyone involved.

President Report

Jennifer reminded everyone to turn in their form and a copy of their schedule by 4:30 p.m. tomorrow to either Sandy in Utica or Dan in Rome.

Vice President of Utica Report

Erica reminded everyone that they must attend the next two meetings in order to meet the attendance policy. She reminded everyone to participate in the Hawks Life app.

Vice President of Rome Report

Tyler stated that the Blood Drive on the Rome Campus went well. On Dec. 5th at 7 p.m. comedian Ashley Gavin will be performing and it will be a DGV event. On Dec. 15th from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Santa will be at the Rome Campus.

Treasurer Report

Taryn stated that the amount in the Developmental Account is \$49,752.25. She informed everyone that all trips and all receipts for trips must be completed and turned in by December 14th.

Trustee Report

Dylan stated that he sent an email to the Accessibility Services office about signage for their office. He stated that the tabling for the Hawks Against Hate Campaign has been going well and about half of the wallet cards have been given out. Dylan asked if there were any new concerns. A question was asked when the hand sanitizers would be filled and Dylan stated he would contact Facilities. 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

Katie stated Ed Mabrey, a poet that was a DGV event went over well with approximately 60 people in attendance. The last Open Mic Night for the semester is on Dec. 12th at 8:30 p.m. in the ACC Snack Bar. The Winter Ball is tomorrow and Katie informed everyone that there can be no buying or selling of tickets between students. If you do not have a code of conduct on file with us, then you will not be permitted into the Ball. Advisors, Public Safety Officers and UPD Officers will be present at the event.

A question was asked if people would be searched before entering the event and Katie stated no. Katie stated there are only 3 DGV events left for the semester. 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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Consent Agenda

Criminal Justice Club requested \$767.40 for sweatshirts. Karissa Colon motioned to allow the club to keep the sweatshirts and Dawn Foster seconded. The motion passed.

Recreation Club requested \$322.50 for bowling and gift certificates. Madison O'Toole motioned to allow the club to give away the gift certificates and Karissa Colon seconded. The motion passed. Madison O'Toole motioned to change the date of the event to December 8th and Zach Stachelski seconded. The motion passed.

Aviation Club requested \$922.50 for the members to go out to dinner. Tyler Delaney motioned to change the date to December 8th and Dawn Foster seconded. The motion passed.

Environmental Club requested \$500.00 for ornaments. Damin Williams motioned to allow the club to keep the ornaments and Patti Hynes seconded. The motion passed.

Residence Council requested \$800 for their December events. Kaitlyn Kenny motioned to allow the club to give away certain items and Kristen Eisenhut seconded. The motion passed.

All proposals passed.

Open Floor

Sandy reminded the students about completing the scheduling form and turning it into Student Activities in either Utica or Rome by December 1st.

Sandy reminded the students that all full-time students pay \$145 in an activity fee and part-time students pay \$14 per credit hour. This comes to one million dollars that we have that we need the students to tell us how to spend. However, the money is divided three different ways:

- \$478,000 goes to Clubs/Organizations
- \$349,000 goes to Athletics
- \$234,000 goes to the Cultural Events Council

Sandy also reminded the students that they should be checking the Student Congress Blackboard site on a regular basis. A lot of the questions that are being asked in the meeting could be avoided if students took the time to get on Blackboard and actually review the meeting minutes and the funding proposals.

De'Anna reminded students and clubs that they should be posting on the app and not using Facebook. She is concerned that two new clubs are using Facebook instead of the app. Facebook is only for posting to inform alumni of what the club is doing. All posts should be going on the app. There are approximately 3000 students that use the app and if you only post on Facebook, you are missing those 3000 students.

De'Anna reminded everyone that if they are graduating in December to see her to get a graduation pin.

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 Trey Moore seconded. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 4:01 p.m.