

STUDENT CONGRESS
4/12/18

Jennifer called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

Jennifer asked for the approval of the minutes from last week's meeting. Kaitlyn Kenney motioned to approve the minutes and Brianna Hecht seconded. The motion passed.

Jennifer then introduced Kevin Siembab from Adult Learner Services. He spoke to the students about speaker Sammi Tucker who is a resilient mindset trainer, consultant, Paralympian, author and veteran. She will be speaking on April 27th at 9 a.m. in the Schafer Theater. Breakfast will be offered to everyone before the event and it is also a DGV event. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Elections

All candidates gave their speeches. There was a question for Zach Stachelski if Drama Club would interfere with his duties as V.P. and he said no. There was a question for Matthew if he would be able to meet his office hours in Rome and he said yes. One question for both trustee candidates was with all their pre-determined obligations would they be able to put their all into the position and they both said yes. They were also asked if they would be able to keep an open mind to different types of people and they both said yes. They were asked what being an unpaid position means to them and they both said it was more about the service to students, to help them and to help MVCC evolve.

The results of the elections were as follows:

James Marino	President
Zach Stachelski	V.P. for Utica
Matthew Abbott	V.P. for Rome
Kupr Kuprian	Student Trustee

President Report

Jennifer reminded everyone to show respect for fellow students and those who are presenting. She informed everyone that the microwave is back in the Snack Bar for everyone to use. There will be a gluten free station in the Hawk's Nest. A concern was raised about why the gluten free station only offered in the Hawk's Nest. It should be offered in the Snack Bar as well. Jennifer will mention that to Sodexo. She also stated that sandwiches will offer turkey bacon instead of regular bacon and there will also be tofu and fish available during Lent. For those interested in volunteering to help install the smoke alarms, please register online.

Vice President of Utica Report

Erica stated the new attendance period started today.

Vice President of Rome Report

Tyler stated there will be a DGV event on April 18th Paint Night with Dr. Justine Shuey. The BBQ will be held on April 24th at 12 noon. There was a meeting with Michael Brown, Executive Director of the Rome Main Street Alliance to discuss ideas to work together.

Treasurer Report

Taryn announced that there is (\$19,229.70) left in the developmental account. She reminded the students that all trips and all receipts for trips must be done/turned in by May 3rd. This means you cannot go on a trip on May 3rd.

Trustee Report

Dylan stated that they are working on patching the potholes and will finish once the weather gets warmer. The Fitness Center times on the website have been corrected. Things are in motion for the Airframe and Power Plant students to be able to use the Fitness Center. The lab hours have been extended for the Digital Animation lab. They are working on the blind spot in the parking lot near the AB. A concern was raised about there being no hours listed on the website for the computer lab in AB 130. Dylan will check into this. 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 was not in, so Erica gave her report. Pontea went very well. The next event is Dr. Justine Shuey and Paint Night on April 17th at 8:30 p.m. in the ACC Snack Bar. On April 26th in the Schafer Theater, the Expressions Dance Club will be having their showcase. She then listed the upcoming DGV events. Program Board meets every Friday at 2 p.m. in ACC 222. Please follow Program Board on the various social media sites.

Miscellaneous

Ally Babcock asked to be reinstated as an official member. Jennifer Rothrock motioned to reinstate Ally and Trey Hodgdon seconded. The motion passed.

The students that participated in the SUNY Student Assembly Conference this past weekend presented on the conference and the workshops they participated in. It was a very beneficial weekend for all involved and Taryn was elected to the position of SUNY Student Assembly Community College Representative.

Kaitlyn Kenney explained the purpose of the Supernatural Club. Kaitlyn motioned for it to be recognized as an official club and Kupr Kuprian seconded. The motion passed.

Kupr Kuprian explained the purpose of the Writer's Club. Kupr motioned for it to be recognized as an official club and Kristen Eisenhut seconded. The motion passed.

Proposals

International Club requested \$3,566.25 for a day trip to New York City.

All proposals passed.

Open Floor

Sandy reminded the students of the scheduling forms for them to complete for this semester. Everyone should have met with their advisor at this point and should be ready to start scheduling classes on April 16th.

Dylan reminded everyone of the Hawks Against Hate tabling in the AB Lobby from April 16-18. Please sign up to help at this event.

Will Jarrett asked to be reinstated as an official member. Jennifer Rothrock motioned to reinstate Will and Kristen Eisenhut seconded. The motion passed.

David Walls asked to be reinstated as an official member. Allison Eastman motioned to reinstate David and Trey Hodgdon seconded. The motion passed.

The Knitting Club announced they will be meeting on April 13th at 5 p.m. in the Huntington Hall Basement.

The Drama Club announced their play "Scotland Road" will be held on April 18-20 at 7:30 p.m. each night in the Schafer Theater. It is free for students, \$2 for faculty/staff and \$5 for the public.

Natalie Williams announced her upcoming poetry readings at the Open Mic Night in the Snack Bar on April 24th and at the Tramontane Café on April 12th, 26th and May 10th and 17th.

Adjournment

Kristen Eisenhut motioned to adjourn and Dawn Foster seconded. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m.