

**STUDENT CONGRESS**  
**2/8/18**

Jennifer called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

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

Jennifer then introduced Liz Doherty from Career Services. She spoke to the students about their career IQ and the services offered by Career Services. Liz also explained the software available for the students to use to explore various careers. She informed them about the "job board" on the website where employers are specifically looking for MVCC graduates and on this board approximately 80-100 jobs are posted each month. Career Services is here to help students clarify their career goals and help you in the search for a job.

**President Report**

Jennifer stated that if anyone is interested in the position of President for next year, please feel free to shadow her, but also realize that you should speak with either Jean, Sandy, De'Anna or Dan as those are the advisors she works with. There will be an Officer Recruitment Dinner on March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5 p.m. in ACC 116. It is highly recommended that you attend this dinner if you are interested in a position for next year. Jennifer explained that there will be opportunities for students to have lunch with the College Cabinet on Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, March 23<sup>rd</sup> and April 9<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in participating in one of these lunches, please see Sandy. The Middlestates report has been posted on Blackboard. Please review chapters 4 and 7. The Middlestates Team will be here from March 4-7 and they may want to speak with students.

**Vice President of Utica Report**

Erica stated attendance is going well. The official attendance starts on February 15<sup>th</sup>. Please pay attention to the attendance schedule. Something new that will be happening this semester is a club report card. As Erica goes to visit the clubs in their meetings, they will be monitored for things like attendance, meeting at the scheduled time, using Roberts Rules of Order, reporting to their club about Congress meeting information and app usage. It was asked if the clubs will be given the results of these report cards and Erica said yes. It was asked if a club would be dismantled if they did not do well. Erica said no, they only way they might be dismantled is if the club is not meeting at the time and place that they said they would be and that is posted on the website. These report cards are mainly to help the clubs run more effectively. Erica reminded everyone that the 10 member lists and advisor responsibility forms are due by Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Vice President of Rome Report**

Clubs and Grub will be held on Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Please join us for this event. Soul Steps will be on Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Festine Auditorium. If you are interested in the position of V.P. for Rome for next year, please shadow Tyler and speak with either Dan, Sandy, De'Anna or Jean for advisors.

### **Treasurer Report**

Taryn announced that there is \$28,891.52 left in the developmental account. She encouraged the clubs to use the HawksLife app and to be sure to look at the proposals on Blackboard before each meeting. She then explained the application form for students to sign up for committees. She explained to the students to check off the ones they are interested in or may already belong to.

### **Trustee Report**

Taryn gave Dylan's report as he is at a meeting with Assemblyman Anthony Brindisi. Dylan spoke with Mike McHarris about the stop sign near Proctor and Mike will be talking to the city about it. Dylan also spoke with Chief David Amico about the active shooter training for students and it will be offered in the fall semester as a tutorial on Blackboard. Dylan is the one that addresses with administration any concerns students may have. If there are any concerns that you don't want to bring up in the meeting, please email Dylan at [sctrustee@mvcc.edu](mailto:sctrustee@mvcc.edu).

### **Program Board Director Report**

Katie stated she was handing out surveys for students to tell her what they would like to see for events so Program Board can decide what to bring back from APCA. Grocery Bingo and Odd Rod went very well. The next two events are Soul Steps on Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 p.m. in the ACC Snack Bar and Rachel Brown on Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon in the ACC Snack Bar. She then listed the upcoming DGV events. She encouraged people to shadow her for her position and the advisor to speak with would be De'Anna. Program Board meets every Friday at 2 p.m. in ACC 222. Please follow Program Board on the various social media sites.

### **Miscellaneous**

Students were informed that the following is how proposals are funded in meetings:

- Anything under \$1,000 is part of consent agenda and clubs don't have to present, but will be voted on the same week it is on the agenda.
- From \$1,000 to \$4,999 students must present on their proposal and it will be voted on the same week they present.
- \$5,000 and up students must have a power point presentation and it will be voted on the following week.

### **Consent Agenda**

Residence Council requested \$900 for various events for the spring semester. Kaitlyn Kenney motioned to allow the club to either give away or allow the students to keep any items from the events and Kupr Kuprian seconded. The motion passed.

### **Proposals**

Photography Club requested \$8,124.75 for a trip to the Grand Canyon. Alexandra Babcock motioned to change the amount to \$6,000 and Dawn Foster seconded. The motion passed. Taryn announced that the club has returned \$250 that they were going to use for apparel to the developmental fund. They were asked that since they are going to be hiking in non-tourist areas, how safe would it be. They stated that all the paths are paved and wheelchair accessible.

Drama Club requested \$9,516.75 for a trip to New York City to see the plays “Sleep No More” and “Come From Away” and also to participate in a Broadway 101 workshop. They were informed that students cannot share beds in hotel rooms and were asked to look into having cots put in the rooms and how much that would add to the cost. They were also informed that if any non-students were participating in the trip, they must pay a higher cost than the students. They were asked how many people the bus would hold and they said they have a 35 passenger bus for 32 students, 2 advisors and 1 extra person if needed.

Radiology Club requested \$1,785 for their Kettering review class.

**All proposals passed except for Photography Club and Drama Club as they will be voted on next week.**

### **Open Floor**

De’Anna spoke about those clubs that are posting on the app about meeting and have not turned in their 10 member list, must do so immediately. Clubs are not considered official and should not be meeting until they turn in this form.

De’Anna also stated that she needs two students from Utica to participate in the Evaluation Committee.

Sandy reminded the students about lunch with the cabinet on Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, March 23<sup>rd</sup> and April 9<sup>th</sup>. She encouraged students to see her to sign up and also encouraged students from Rome to participate.

Sandy reminded everyone that if your club’s funding proposal passes at a meeting you must come to ACC 208 first thing Friday morning to begin working on all the paperwork associated with the proposal. Failure to do so may result in your event not happening.

### **Adjournment**

Dawn Foster motioned to adjourn and Kaitlyn Kenney seconded. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 4:14 p.m.