

MOHAWK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Utica and Rome, NY

SENATE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 3, 2004, PH 300

Present: C. Allard, T. Capraro, E. Dailey, D. DiGiorgio, B. Evans, R. Feola, K. Hartman, G. Kulis, D. Larson, S. Machuca, K. Mokry, J. Myers, W. Perrotti, B. Quist, B. Scantlebury, M. Schafer, S. Senior, M. Sewall, R. Spetka, M. Waldrop, W. Zogby.
Guests: D. Caruso, P. Fox, N. Rosero.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Mark Waldrop called the meeting to order at 3:36 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Bill Perrotti moved, and Dr. Larson seconded, to approve the minutes. The motion carried by common consensus. Mike Sewall asked three questions with regards to matters mentioned in the minutes of December 2nd. First, have any student members been appointed yet? Mark Waldrop replied that there were not. Second, Mike wondered if his recommendation that it be determined if the Senate truly needs to approve courses for Tier 2 status had been acted upon. Mark Waldrop replied that he would refer the matter to Chairperson Bice. And third, Mike wondered if Chairperson Bice had finished compiling a summary of what was said at the Senate-sponsored Open Forum on campus safety and security, as mentioned under Old Business in the minutes. Mark replied that he would refer the matter to Chairperson Bice.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Bice:

- attended an Executive Committee meeting;
- responded to questions from the ad hoc Committee on Senate Committees;
- conferred with the Chair of the Bylaws Committee;
- sent out the notice for the fall reports from the Senate committees (5 reports received so far);
- facilitated the Senate-sponsored Open Forum on strategic planning in January;
- conferred with the Calendar Committee;
- made some appointments to fill the unexpired terms of some Senators and will share those names at the next Senate meeting;
- invited Delores Caruso to give her annual update on the Millennium project at the February meeting of the Senate;
- forwarded the three courses approved for Tier 2 status to Vice President Larson for further action.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ad hoc Memorial Committee: Barbara Evans reported that the committee has a revised budget, has talked to Fritz Barnes concerning a fundraising plan, and are currently looking for an improved sketch of the design.

Ad hoc Honor Code Committee: Krista Hartman reported that the committee is scheduled to meet on February 9th and hopes to meet twice a month.

Ad hoc Bylaws Committee: Bill Perrotti reported that the committee is scheduled to meet on February 5th and will have more to report at the next Senate meeting.

Ad hoc Committee on Senate Committees: No report.

OLD BUSINESS

College Senate-sponsored Open Forum: Vice-Chair Waldrop reported that the forum in January on strategic planning was well attended and productive. Anyone with a topic for another forum please email Chairperson Bice.

NEW BUSINESS

Next steps for an Assessment Framework: Bill Perrotti, speaking for Robert Jubenville, who was absent, recommends that the College Senate adopt the Resolution drafted by Dr. Jubenville and distributed to each Senator, with the word "faculty" replaced by the words "College Senate" and with the words "does not support" inserted, to read:

Be it resolved that the College Senate of Mohawk Valley Community College does not support the following criteria in the Chancellor's new proposal on university-wide campus-based assessment:

Bill Perrotti moved to adopt the Resolution as amended. Bill Zogby seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

MVCC Code of Conduct: Withdrawn at this time from the Senate agenda.

Millennium Project Update: Delores Caruso reported that the Humanities, Health, Social Science, and Business/Management Systems departments have Leadership Teams, working with corresponding departments at Proctor High School. In addition, Don Willner and Mary Hartz have formed a Math Task Force to work with the high school. Work is also being done to change ED 100 to reflect the Millennium Project.

REPORT BY PRESIDENT SCHAFER

President Schafer reminded Senators that it is their duty to communicate what they learn at the Senate meetings to others in their departments. He also reported that he met in Albany with State Senators and their staff about our legislative concerns, though it appears that the

state government is not listening and at this time are financially favoring SUNY as opposed to the community colleges. President Schafer also announced that County Executive Griffo will give his State of the County Address in the IT Theatre at 10:00 on Thursday, February 12.

REPORT BY STUDENT GOVERNMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mike Sewall moved, and Bill Perrotti seconded, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned by Common consensus at 4:25 pm.

NEXT MEETING(S)

The next Senate meeting will be Tuesday, March 2, 2004, at 3:30 pm in PH 300.
The next Senate Advisory Committee meeting will be TBA.

Respectfully submitted,

Krista E. Hartman
Recording Secretary