

MOHAWK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Utica and Rome, New York

COLLEGE SENATE MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, February 5, 2019, IT 225

College Senate web page: <http://www.mvcc.edu/senate/senate-home>

Present: C. Albrecht, D. Ayers-Darling, J. Baumann, E. Bush, K. Carhart, L. Charbonneau, S. Dar, S. Fryman, D. Gibbons, A. Haines, A. Hazen, M. Henningsen, R. Huyck, D. Hyldelund, B. Jubenville, P. Katchmar, M. Kelly, D. McDermott, C. Miller, B. Molinaro, S. Myalik, A. Radlowski, R. Santos, R. Sbiroli, G. Searles, R. Spetka, T. Thomas, C. VanNamee, R. VanWagoner, and J. Wilcox

Student Senators: K. Kuprian, J. Manning

Absent/Excused: N. Bruzzese, S. Cummings, S. Frisbee, S. McGovern, M. McHarris, and J. Rahn

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m.

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes from the December 4th meeting were unanimously approved with some adjustments. (J. Wilcox, R. Spetka)

CHAIR'S REPORT

A. Haines commented that the SUNY Sexual/Romantic policy is still being reviewed by the lawyer, so it was removed from today's agenda.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPORT

K. Kuprian reported that the Student Government will meet Thursday at 3:00pm in IT 225. Elections for the new vice president of the Utica campus will be on February 8th.

HEART & PRIDE OF THE HAWK AWARDS

R. VanWagoner presented the Heart of the Hawk Award to Shannon Crocker for her work in the classroom and her leadership in Guided Pathways. The Pride of the Hawk Award was given to Debra O'Donnell for her work in the payroll office and her willingness to aid colleagues in need of assistance.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

R. VanWagoner reported that NY State did not agree to a funding floor, and community colleges will continue to be funded based on enrollment. Cabinet will meet tomorrow to begin discussing the budget. Cabinet will also review our processes for prior learning assessment, as recommended by the Enrollment Management Council to increase our population of "adult students with some college." The College has also been working with a consultant regarding a new Director of Human Resources, with hopes to have the position filled by June 1st.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

S. Reynolds referenced her January 21st email and reminded Senators of Title IX and their role as responsible employees. She also reported that there has been an increase in BERT reports over the last year, which has allowed interventions to occur more quickly.

In the fall semester, there was an increase in complaints regarding marijuana in residence halls, and the College has taken some strong steps in response, including adding a quality of life violation. Additionally, S. Reynolds shared that any animal in our classrooms, buildings, or residence halls must be approved as a service animal or emotional support animal.

Spring Convocation went well, helping students to connect to the College, its programs, and student services. A team will attend the ATD National Conference this year, and MVCC student Ahmat Djouma was named an ATD 2019 DREAM Scholar.

FCCC REPORT

J. Baumann reported that the FCCC Conference will be held at the end of March.

FACULTY CAUCUS REPORT

C. Miller reported that S. Reynolds shared the initial draft of the SUNY Sexual/Romantic policy, and faculty provided feedback. There was also a Guided Pathways update, during which E. Bush facilitated a discussion on meta-majors. The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 19th at 2:30pm in PH 300.

GUIDED PATHWAYS REPORT

S. Crocker shared an update on the progress of each workgroup as follows:

- *Multiple Measures Workgroup*
Preliminary recommendations have been made, with final recommendations in March and implementation in Fall 2019.
- *Intake and Onboarding Workgroup*
Meeting weekly, and will have preliminary recommendations by March 15
- *Integrated Advising Workgroup*
Meeting weekly, and will have preliminary recommendations by March 15
- *Technology Workgroup*
This new workgroup is surveying current use of technology across campus to see how we might better support technology
- *Meta-majors Workgroup*
The next Open Forum will be held Friday, February 15th from 10:00-11:30 in ACC 116.
- *General Studies Workgroup*
This new workgroup is reviewing the general studies population (≈1,000 students) for sub-populations (such as pre-nursing). The goal is to place decided students into more appropriate programs, and find new ways to help support undecided students.

A. Fried shared an update on the Developmental Education Workgroup. Changes being made in English include using a student's high school GPA to place into EN 101, with ACCUPLACER being used to determine where additional support is needed for students who do not place into EN 101. Math faculty have also decided to use high school GPA for placement into college-level courses and MA 089 will continue to be offered for lowest-placing students. Recitation sections will be offered for MA 108, MA 110, and MA 171. Sequences that require MA 115 are still under review.

OLD BUSINESS

CURRICULUM ADVISORY BOARD PROPOSAL

Membership of the board was discussed, and the Manager of Educational Technology was added to ensure online courses meet Carnegie equivalencies. M. Henningsen moved to approve the charter (J. Manning second). The motion passed (29, 1, 1).

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by common consensus at 3:17pm.

NEXT MEETINGS

The next meeting of the College Senate will be **Tuesday, March 5, 2019, at 2:30 p.m. in IT 225**.
The next meeting of the Senate Advisory Committee will be Tuesday, February 26, 2019, at 2:30 p.m. in PH 304.

Respectfully submitted,
Anna Radlowski