

MVCC COLLEGE SENATE MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, October 1, 2019

2:30 pm WH 225

Present: J. Baumann, E. Bush, S. Cummings, S. Dar, M. Faitell, S. Frisbee, A. Haines, R. Huyck, J. Ireland, P. Katchmar, M. Kelly, M. LaPaglia, C. Miller, B. Molinaro, S. Myalik, A. Radlowski, J. Rahn, R. Santos, R. Sbiroli, R. Spetka, Dr. R. VanWagoner, J. Wilcox,

Student Senators: K. Kuprian

Absent/Excused: C. Albrecht, N. Bruzzese, K. Carhart, J. Marino, S. McGovern, Z. Stachelski

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:32 pm.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 1, 2019 MEETING

The minutes of the September 3, 2019 meeting had corrections updated and approved (R. Spetka, J. Wilcox) (21-0-1)

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – A. Haines

Senate Bylaws reviews: R. Huyck, J. Baumann, Kupr, S. Dar and A. Haines will meet within the next month and have hope to have a first 1st draft for the December senate meeting.

A. Haines shared the annual goals created at the June Joint Cabinet and senate advisory retreat. A question was raised about number #4 on creating a procedure to clarify the process of creating college wide policies. R. VanWagoner stated that all policies impacting the college campus will be brought before College Senate for discussion and feedback.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPORT

Kupr reported that Student Government will be moving to an all-electronic voting system. An e-ballot which will connect in real time. This will eliminate invalid votes cast by student visitors and allow more transparency. Fillable PDF forms allows everything to be scanned and non-editable.

The Treasury position has been filled by Andy Tesiero.

The executive board and other interested students will be attending the Student Assembly meeting in Albany, November 15-17th. MVCC has two voting representatives to the state wide Student Assembly due to our size.

Current student government meetings in WH 225 are cramped for space and they are exploring options for larger meeting spaces.

The executive committee is currently reviewing the bylaws of Student Government. They are considering changing the term limits for Student Government. In the past, terms of service have ended on May 31. This has caused some confusion as students who graduate in the beginning of May are still expected to serve.

Student Government is changing its file storage from Blackboard to Google Drive to make materials accessible to more people. It was suggested that a Gmail account should be created for Student Government to make sure that control of the folders can smoothly transition between leaders.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT-R. VanWagoner

Strategic Planning Council is moving fast to develop a new and more flexible strategic plan that will have a focus on the 4 pillars of Guided pathways.

Marcy Nano announced the building of semiconductor plant scheduled to create over 600 jobs, 60% of which are expected to require less than a bachelor's degree.

MVCC is poised to be the fiscal agent for the advancement of the educational/training of SUNY allocated \$2 million for apprenticeship for Information Technology. Schenectady received similar grants for hospitality apprenticeships. modernized co-op, 125 apprenticeships and 200 pre-apprenticeships

Between CREED's \$1.2 billion plant and the Utica downtown Hospital, Utica is looking at close to \$2 billion in construction investment over the next several years.

The County budget is being considered and the president anticipates a 3% increase in the counties contribution to the college. The college has also included several proposals for capital projects. If the funding for the Science & Technology building renovations/upgrades is approved, the projected would be scheduled to be completed within 2 years with an \$18 million budget. Half-million is budgeted to advance academics and security on the campuses. i.e. Cameras. Money has also been requested for the four year plan for updates to the Academic Building, including classroom renovations, Asbestos removal, and possible redesign of the atriums.

Athletics fields to receive \$300,000 in renovations and work on internal signage should begin this year.

American Dining will be putting money into renovating the Dining Hall and this should provide matching state funds to further renovate ACC similarly to what happened when the Follett upgraded the booksotre.

Fireside Chat (1st Event) replication of Idaho- Grassroot company

Change community narrative about manufacturing and collaborative visions

Local entrepreneurs speaks about startup & how to get it to grow. Coffee and Concepts talking about bringing in executives from Business to COO.

MVCC Foundation is the contracting entity. Randy and Frank DuRoss in-kind input.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: L. Kahler

Computer Science Center

- Code Academy began this semester

- Piloting a code-a-thon in collaboration with Utica College

- Where 10 colleges compete against each other

Respiratory Care accreditation earned an outstanding rating. The next one will be in 10 years.

Surgical Technician is awaiting accreditation by state. It has been rescheduled to November 7 and November, 8, 2019.

Radiology has a 94.4% pass rate on their national boards.

How to fuel the workforce, MVCC more prepared to fuel the Electrical P/Technician in the Northeast. Semiconductor training along with SUNY Poly. Collaborating with SUNY Polytechnic exploring ideas on how to successfully prepare the next workforce.

Athletics

Men's Soccer ranked #4 nationally

Women's Soccer ranked #6 nationally

Softball field will receive renovations such as new dugouts, designed and built by our carpentry students, for hands on experience.

Tim we will be more prepared to work hand in hand with technicians.

From MVCC marketing improving drive for enrollment.

FCCC-J. Baumann

Amanda Miller will attend October meeting and return with updates.

Prodigy SUNY-program to diversify STEM position offerings. Fourteen filled so far. SUNY Online for 2 and 4 years is off to a slow start. One community college has one online program with 1 student enrolled. Looking forward to more advertising.

S. Dar made a suggestion through Senate: Screening committee should have gender equity-in other words, search committee should show diversity also.

FACULTY CAUCUS REPORT-C. Miller

1st meeting was held Tuesday, September 17, 2019

Christine continues to meet monthly with Lew Kahler, Tom Squires and Stephanie Reynolds which allows for communication and address.

The caucus received an update on the Cyberattack

Potpourri themes for fall- equity-define tangible ways that the faculty may do to tie in with equity.

Enrollment is an on-going concern

-What can we as Faculty do to have a positive impact on enrollment?

Development of a Faculty statement: input from the belief system to provide focus and purpose for incoming employees (adjuncts included)

Create a concise overall vision/mission of the college to have a clear vision of what and how they will fit in. Beneficial to reflect on how we all work together as faculty members. Will give a sense of who we are, which will evolve over time.

What is expected of teachers at MVCC and how we are different and an outstanding part of the growth of this institution?

Looking for a larger voice not just caucus—next meeting is Tuesday, October 15, 2019.

GUIDED PATHWAYS REPORT-S. Crocker and A. Fried

Guided Pathways is difficult to meet due to different group meetings. Can they advertise fixed times for meetings? Due to unavailability, a request for cloud meetings versus meeting in person, is under charter review. There are pros & cons to this...Con-the conversation is not as thorough

Implementation Phase: Intake and Onboarding

Two new work groups

Design analysis: design courses and programs

Institutional Research: who are our students? Assessment Programs-assessment is not our final point, it is our starting point. Ensuring the workforce pillar everyone plays a role in student success. Why caring campuses create higher returning students.

COHORT 1- Finished-How to embed Guided Pathways to assessment with Implementation.

Student Open Forums held and informal

Who selects areas of concentrations—decided upon by V.P and Guided Pathway councils. Next meeting at Finger Lakes Community College.

Old Business:

A Cybersecurity discussion was held around the fact that currently the college does not block user access to any sites. The question was posed should we limit accessibility to what students/faculty may access?

Previously video games had been blocked in the IT computer lab to allow students who needed computers for academic purposes access to the terminals. The point was raised that what might be unacceptable sites to some people are necessary for some academic courses. It was also pointed out that this may or may not make us more secure. The issue of equity was also raised. Some students do not have access to the internet or other technology outside of the campus and we need to be aware of how our decisions might impact those students. Ultimately it was felt that there were more pressing cybersecurity issues to be dealt with and the topic was tabled for a later date.

A question about Remote access was raised and the senate was informed that remote access was still months away from being returned. The return of remote access may also come with the requirement that non college computers and users agree to certain antivirus programs being installed on their computers.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn meeting by J. Baumann, seconded by Kupr (Consensus by all)

NEXT MEETINGS: Next Senate Meeting will be Tuesday, November 5, 2019 at 2:30 pm in WH 225.

Next Senate Advisory Committee will be Tuesday, October 29, 2019 at 2:30 pm in PH 304.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhona Patterson