

# MVCC COLLEGE SENATE MEETING AGENDA

**Tuesday, September 6, 2022**

**Wilcox Hall 225**

**Present:** C. Albrecht, E. Bush, S. Cummings, N. Evanoff, S. Frisbee, R. Golden, A. Hazen, D. Head, K. Herting, L. Holmes, R. Huyck, J. Ireland, L. Kahler, M. Kelly, M. Kuczynski, J. Maio, T. Marshall, S. McCall, M. Miknavich, A. Miller, C. Miller, A. Nolan, M.J. Parry, A. Radlowski, S. Selden, R. Spetka, T. Squires, T. Thomas, C. VanNamee, R. VanWagoner, L. Warring, L. Williams, R. Wittenberg.

**Absent/Excused:** S. Crocker, S. Engram, M. Faitell, B. Horender, P. Kuhn, S. McGovern, M. McHarris, A. Roy Small, F. Vellone, J. Wilcox, J. Woodrow,

**CALL TO ORDER:** C. Miller

The meeting was called to order at 2:33 pm.

## **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 3, 2022, MEETING**

(M. Kelly, A. Hazen) (30, 0, 1)

**CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:** C. Miller

**Meetings for this year will be monthly with:**

- R. VanWagoner,
- T. Squires
- Chair of Faculty Caucus
- The Board of Trustees (BOT)
- Institutional Effectiveness Council (IEC)

**Senate Advisory New and Notable:**

- Strengths, challenges, and the year to come
- Advisory – beginning to work on Senate Goals 2022-2023
- New Agenda Format
- The Vice President section will now be a Q & A
- Review Senate charters, roles, and responsibilities
- Communication
- Active engagement in Senate meetings
- Constituents
- Teams

**Other items:**

C. Miller conducted a break-out session of (Think-Pair-Share) to see how we can get more people involved in the College Senate. Questions asked where:

- What do you hope to accomplish in your role as Senator?
- How do you plan to communicate with your constituents?

**OLD BUSINESS:** N/A

**NEW BUSINESS:**

C. Pace requested a change for the charter of the International Initiatives Committee by adding two new members to the committee for employees at large and would like to reinsert student representatives.

Motion to approve changes as they are (R. Spetka, S. Crocker) (30,0,0)

**STUDENT CONGRESS REPORT:** L. Holmes

- The Student Congress will meet on Thursdays in WH225 at 3:30 in person.
- Friday's will be live from the Student Activities Facebook "Student Congress Unclassified."
- In the Learning Commons as "Congress in the Commons."
- Congress will be present in various buildings and times throughout the semester.
- Club day is September 14th, 10-1, in ACC Snack bar
- Welcome back Barbeque on September 7th from 12-2 in the quad.
- M. Kelly asked if it is possible to lower the number of students to start a club on the 10-member lists because enrollment has declined. S. Cummings indicated L. Holmes would need to discuss this with the student executive board.
- S. Cummings stated she could do club training.
- Student Congress Board members are:
  - President - L. Holmes
  - Vice President for Utica – Micah Shaw
  - Program Board Director – Keyana Vaughn
  - Trustee – Hanadi Tajir
  - Treasurer – Abigail Kochman

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** R. VanWagoner

- Student enrollment is down 0.6% following deregistration.
- R. VanWagoner will be the liaison between the President Group and the Faculty Council of Community Colleges.
- The Board of Trustees will review the remote work policy and student success policy.
- Capital Projects will be presented to the County Legislature meeting as follows:
- Science and Tech building
- Turf for athletic field for Soccer, Lacrosse, Softball, and Tennis expansion.
- Payne Hall 102

- Mezzanine
- HR move to 2nd floor Payne Hall
- Roof in AB (Academic Building) building.

**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** L. Kahler, T. Squires, S. Reynolds

- T. Squires spoke on changing the phone system to softphones and has a company to go with but is still in negotiations. It will allow students to text instructors, operate using an app on most devices, and cost the college less.
- School is closed on Snow days.
- Will check on taking lunches in to eat, and boxed lunches out for later from the Hawks Nest.
- Starbucks is being monitored to see if or when they can open in AB.
- Rome Book Store limited hours due to staffing.
- L. Kahler will check on what we can do to bridge a gap for GED students to college readiness; we have some parts but not all.
- We are monitoring and watching numbers of how the students are picking their classes for online and on-ground.
- S. Reynolds addressed the Flu Vaccine on campus. – Sept. 15, 28, Oct. 4, 15 – (10-1) in the Health Center by appt.
- No COVID boosters will be given on campus; because they are readily available in the community.

**FCCC Report:** A. Miller

- FCCC successfully held committee meetings on our campus August 8th
- Thank you to American Dining for catering & MVCC (Mohawk Valley Community College) for hosting.
- Fall meeting dates:
- Campus Governance Leaders (CGLs) event Friday, September 23rd
- Plenary October 13-15 (NEW LOCATION: SUNY Adirondack)
- DEISJ Rubric and guidance are complete and distributed
- A letter to chief academic officers & campus governance leaders was sent to emphasize the importance of shared governance processes in curricular decisions (especially as gen ed changes happen)

**FACULTY CAUCUS REPORT:** S. Dar

- The first meeting will be on September 20th at 2:30 pm and will be online this semester.
- Created a Faculty Caucus teams page and will send out the link either on teams or zoom.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn meeting approved (R. Spetka, E. Bush).

**NEXT MEETINGS:**

The next Senate Meeting is via zoom on **Tuesday, October 4, 2022, at 2:30 pm.**

The next Senate Advisory Committee will be via Teams on **Tuesday, September 27, 2022, at 2:30 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kathe Herting