

**Student Senate Meeting Minutes**  
**April 28, 2016 Room 314 12:30-1:45**

**Attendance:**

**Officers**

Derrick LaBranche (President)  
Ashley Northrup (Secretary)  
Maha Dahms (Treasurer)

**Senators**

Deion Ninivaggi  
LaDain Jackson  
Sam Caswell  
Bonnie Gorman  
Lacey Fehrenbach  
Nancy Valliancourt

**Advisors**

Aileen Clay  
Justin Herrin

**Guests**

Zachery Plante  
Tyler MacGregor

**Meeting items:**

1. Meeting called to order at 12:44pm
2. President LaBranche and Advisor Justin Herrin reviewed the minutes from the 4/21/16 meeting. Some edits needed and discussed with the group.
  - a. Motion to approve the 4/21 meeting minutes w/ the edits made: Senator Ninivaggi
  - b. Second Motion: Senator Valliancourt
  - c. (none opposed)
  - d. The motion and minutes w/ edits from the 4/21/16 meeting are approved
3. Revised Budget Proposal: Global Citizens Club
  - a. Revisions to the original tabled budget proposal (from the 4/21/16 meeting) presented by Senator Valliancourt
  - b. Requesting Senate funding to travel to the Province of Bolivar, Ecuador in January 2017 during winter break
  - c. Total anticipated cost for 10 students is \$15,769.90
  - d. Amount requested from Senate for 10 students:  $\$15,769.90 \times 40\% = \$6,307.96$

- e. Total anticipated cost for 2 advisors is \$3,153.98
  - f. Grand total requested from Senate:  $\$6,307.96 + \$3,153.98 = \$9,461.94$
  - g. Motion to approve budget request of \$9,461.94: Senator Ninivaggi
  - h. Second Motion: Senator Fehrenbach
  - i. (none opposed)
  - j. Budget proposal of \$9,461.94 is approved
4. Budget Proposal: Graduation BBQ
- a. Presented by Senator Ninivaggi
  - b. Scheduled for Wednesday, May 25th
  - c. Three different vendors for catering were asked for quotes (Tidewater, KC Rib Shack, and Celebrations Catering)
  - d. Graduation BBQ Subcommittee is asking for a capped budget of \$6,660 to cover catering, decorations and setup of the event
  - e. Motion to approve a capped budget of \$6,660: Senator Caswell
  - f. Second Motion: Senator Fehrenbach
  - g. (none opposed)
  - h. Capped budget request of \$6,660 is approved
5. Revised Ping Pong Table Funding Increase Request
- a. Presented by Advisor Aileen Clay
  - b. Last year's Senate approved a purchase of a ping pong table for student use
  - c. This year's Senate re-approved the interest in the table (voted back in the fall)
  - d. Cost of the original table has increased through the vendor (Amazon)
  - e. Aileen did additional research at the request of the MCC Maintenance staff and found another table option that is easier to construct and move around
  - f. Cost is roughly \$100 more than original table's quote
  - g. Asking for a new capped budget of \$600 to purchase the table, paddles, and balls
  - h. Motion to approve a new capped budget of \$600: Treasurer Dahms
  - i. Second Motion: Secretary Northrup
  - j. (none opposed)
  - k. New capped budget request of \$600 is approved
6. Budget Proposal: Faculty & Staff Appreciation
- a. Presented by Senator Fehrenbach
  - b. Requesting a capped budget of \$1,050 to purchase dry-erase marker sets for faculty, staff and adjuncts with decorative wrappings as a "thank you" for all their hard work throughout the year
  - c. Motion to approve a capped budget of \$1,050: Senator Ninivaggi
  - d. Second Motion: Senator Gorman
  - e. (none opposed)
  - f. Capped budget request of \$1,050 is approved

7. Student Government Revitalization Task Force
  - a. Presented by Advisor Aileen Clay
  - b. The Senate Constitution is a bit outdated and needs to be reviewed and maybe revised. Previous Senate groups have attempted to do this task, but have not had success due to the normal Senate business taking priorities. So a task force can be formed to tackle the research and make recommendations.
  - c. The Task Force would be charged with developing a proposal with recommendations regarding the most effective structure for the MCC Student Government for the future of Senate.
  - d. The Task Force would operate outside of the regular Senate business, with a chairperson, meeting times, and participant makeup identified by the Director of Student Life.
  - e. The Task Force's findings and a proposal would be presented to Student Senate for consideration with any approved changes taking effect during the 2017-18 academic year, or later.
  - f. Requesting approval for the Task Force to be authorized by Senate.
  - g. Motion to approve the formation of a Task Force: Senator Ninivaggi
  - h. Second Motion: Secretary Northrup
  - i. (none apposed)
  - j. The motion for a formation of a Task Force is approved
  
8. New Club Ratification: Drama Club
  - a. Presented by Senator Ninivaggi
  - b. Mission is to bring quality drama and other performing arts to the MCC Community. Open to any student, faculty and staff who have an interest for any part of theater and related performing arts.
  - c. Advisors: Prof. Laura Bilodeau and Prof. Deborah Harbin
  - d. Motion to approve new club: Senator Gorman
  - e. Second Motion: Senator Valliancourt
  - f. (none apposed)
  - g. Motion to have a new club formed at MCC is approved
  
9. New Club Ratification: Music Club
  - a. Presented by Tyler MacGregor
  - b. New club will foster an appreciation for music of all types as well as an appreciation of playing music, in both veteran musicians and those who are just starting out.
  - c. Advisor: Major Wheelock
  - d. Motion to approve new club: Senator Ninivaggi
  - e. Second Motion: Senator Gorman
  - f. (none apposed)
  - g. Motion to have a new club formed at MCC is approved

10. Important Date Reminders

- a. Spotlight on Leadership event is Friday, April 29th at 6pm at Fratello's
- b. Graduation BBQ will be held on Wednesday, May 25th at 12pm at MCC
- c. New Student Orientation events will be held over the summer
  - i. Tuesday, August 23rd from 5:30-8:30pm
  - ii. Wednesday, August 24th from 10am-2pm

11. Meeting adjourned at 1:48pm

**Next Meeting:**

The Fall 2016 meeting schedule will be posted to the MCC website over the summer. Check [www.mccnh.edu/senate](http://www.mccnh.edu/senate) throughout the summer for updates.