

Date: February 23, 2018

Time: 2:30 pm

Place: Room 303

**Attendees:** Diane Aquino, Jesus Barrera, Austin Covington, Karie Demyan, Pam Galovich, Zariah Galvez, Anthony Jones, Brandy Munsinger, Jennine Ramirez, Genny Ruiz, Jann Woods, Joshua Zeman

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

**I. Announcements or Additions to the Agenda**

None.

**II. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Joshua Zeman, seconded by Austin Covington, and carried unanimously, to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2018, meeting.

**III. Treasurer's Report**

Secretary Jesus Barrera reported that the SAC balance, as of January 31, 2018, was \$64,141.12.

**IV. Important Dates**

Thursday, March 1, 12 – 3 p.m. – Pizza Palooza with PTK in the Student Lounge

**V. Old Business**

**a. Study-O-Thon/Pet Partners**

Karie Demyan reported that because Pet Partners was no longer together, she obtained a lead on a new organization, Love on a Leash, which at no charge will provide dogs to pet to help reduce stress. They can provide 4-6 dogs for 1.5 hours with 2 students per dog taking turns petting and interacting with the dog. Each dog will have a trained professional with them. They are a non-profit group and would need at least a two-week notice to use their services. The idea is to possibly use them for finals week. The discussion was tabled until Dean Woods does more research and brings information back to the Council.

Karie Demyan provided a proposal to the Council to purchase refreshments for students in the Student Lounge each morning during mid-terms week, March 12 – 15. A motion was made by Austin Covington, seconded by Zariah Galvez, and carried unanimously to provide refreshments for mid-terms week at a not-to-exceed budget amount of \$475.00.

**b. Student Lounge Communication Board**

A motion was made by Karie Demyan, seconded by Jesus Barrera, and carried unanimously to purchase bulletin boards at a not-to-exceed budget amount of \$200.00.

**c. End of Semester Bash**

The members set the date and time of the End of Semester Bash as Tuesday, May 1, 3-6 p.m. A committee was formed to plan the details of the event.

**VI. New Business**

**a. Campus Safety**

Dean Woods asked the members if they feel MCC has done enough to inform students about safety issues. She also asked them if they felt safe on campus. The members agreed that they do feel safe, especially with the better lighting at night. They also agreed that the campus has a good notification or alert system to keep students informed in the event of an emergency. One suggestion was having security buttons around campus so students can immediately contact security. This would be similar to ASU's blue beacons that are around their campus. Dean Woods will pursue this and bring information back to the Council.

**b. New Policies and Procedures**

The campus deans met recently with the Chief Student Services Officer regarding student life and Dean Woods shared some information that came out of that meeting. A new 2018-19 student handbook is being formulated with new procedures, and one of the recommendations to student is to advertise events on the MCC Facebook page, rather than their personal pages. There was no definitive answer to whether or not students can do fundraising in front of stores, and all fundraisers will now need to have a letter from the Foundation so that there are no duplicate efforts to reach the same audience. Dean Woods will handle getting those letters once clubs submit their activity requests. A new 4-page activity request is being developed that will consolidate all the funding forms. The policy will include new funding for clubs with a provision that the clubs must be active and participating in SAC events. Activity requests will now need to be submitted four weeks in advance, and travel requests will need to be submitted six weeks in advance. Dean Woods will continue to keep the members updated.

**c. Chat with the President - April 3**

A motion was made by Austin Covington, seconded by Karie Demyan, and carried unanimously to provide food and refreshments for the April 3 Chat with the President at a not-to-exceed budget amount of \$275.00

**d. Future Events**

None.

**VII. Club Reports**

**a. BDCC (Bighorn Decoders Computer Club)**

Austin Covington is in communications with ASU on a future gaming event and a small planning committee is being formed. The club will be hosting a Take-A-Part and Meet and Greet event on March 6, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., in Room 810.

- b. **PTA (Physical Therapy Assistant Club)**  
Club members are working on fundraising ideas to fund their upcoming APTA Student Conclave trip.
- c. **PTK (Phi Theta Kappa, Alpha Chi Chi)**  
The club will host a Pizza Pallooza with PTK on Thursday, March 1, 12 – 3 p.m., in the Student Lounge. The PTK Orientation Brunch is set for Friday, March 2, and the PTK Induction Ceremony will be held on Thursday, March 8. The club will be participating in PTK Awareness Week February 27-March 3.
- d. **STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics Club)**  
The club had their first meeting of the semester today and spoke about adding on to the telescope. They will be going to Windsor Beach to meet up with the local astronomy group. Their upcoming circuitry and programming workshop should be planned and in place by the next SAC meeting.
- e. **SAL (Student Art League)**  
The club had a sign-in sheet at the recent SAC Welcome Bash for interested students requesting information about their club. They received a few names and will contact those students.
- f. **SNO (Student Nurse's Organization)**  
No report given as club not represented.
- g. **SURGE TECH (Surgical Technology Club)**  
Club members are working on their many fundraisers.

#### **VIII. Other**

A request was brought forth to provide a phone app, similar to what the school system uses, for students to get text reminders about campus events.

A request was brought forth to do a podcast highlighting clubs on campus. Joshua Zeaman will follow up with Brittney Manson, Student Multimedia Reporter.

#### **IX. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:41 p.m.