

MC GOVERNANCE

Montgomery College College Council Meeting #1 Minutes

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

1 – 3 PM

Zoom Meeting

Attendees

Present: Shakenna Adams-Gormley (Vice-chair), Katherine Goldstein (Secretary), Paul D. Miller, Alice Boatman, Joe Marshall, Sergio Washington, Jamin K. Bartolomeo, Jon Pointer, Beth Reilly, Swechcha Shrestha, Amanda Darr, Rabbee Awan

Absent: Kimberly Jones (Chair), Dana Baker (Faculty Council Chair)

Proxy: Shakenna Adams-Gormley for Kimberly Jones, Melissa Sprague for Dana Baker

Guests: Dr. Jermaine F. Williams, Chevelle Glymph, Dr. Kimberly McNair, Dr. Meghan Gibbons, Dr. Michelle Scott, Schnell Reed Garrett, Adam Reid, Maria Adams, Melissa Gregory, Melissa Sprague, Rose Gavin Aquilino, Sherwin Collette, Stephanie Gallo Krasnoff, Surayya Johnson

Liaison: Dr. Stephen D. Cain

Governance Director: Dr. Clevette Ridguard

Call to Order

There is was a quorum to conduct business. (Vice-chair) Shakenna Adams-Gormley called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm. The meeting was recorded for internal use only.

Constituent Concerns

None

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

The agenda was approved with revisions. The minutes for May 10, 2022 meeting were approved as written.

Presidential Remarks (Dr. Jermaine F. Williams, President)

- Dr. Williams welcomed back the College Council to their first meeting, and he expressed his excitement of the first three weeks into the semester. Dr. Williams visited all three campuses and welcome our students back. Dr. Williams announced 70% of the classes are being held in person 30% are remote or long distance. Montgomery College is taking an equitable approach to support our students and the diverse communities that we serve.

Dr. Williams highlighted the following information:

- Exciting news Montgomery College was rated one of the top 10th in community colleges in the

United States. MC placed 7th ranking in a report by Walden Hub, which rated 677 community colleges based on cost, educational outcomes, and career outcomes. Maryland community college collectively we were ranked 2nd in statewide value, trailing only behind Connecticut.

- More exciting news-- the college closed on the ground lease with our partner 19710 LLC, which is the site is across the street from Holy Cross, Germantown Hospital. The partnership will construct a 140,000 square foot building that was released by Hughes network. Hughes will become a new PIC MC partner whose presence in the Pinkney Innovation complex which will provide new opportunities for both students and our faculty and staff. The College is moving forward with creating and building on academic business and research campus to inspire the next generation of technology. MC building an opportunity for students to have the ability to interact with technology industry professionals on a regular basis, which will help them gain skills they will need to be competitive, in this rapidly evolving workforce industry. Germantown campus is excited about the groundbreaking, will occur on October 3rd.
- MC won the US Department of Labor Grant for 1.6 million dollars for a Tech Map grant. This grant is (MAP Metro Area Pathways) this program will improve the retention and completion of students who are underrepresented in the IT fields. The grant is one of thirteen that was awarded in the nation, in this second round of strengthening community colleges, training grants. It will help participants earn credentials and find employment with higher wages.
- Our Part-time Faculty Institute was recognized in a major way part-time faculty engagement and support were honored with its 2022 Delphi award that recognizes policies, practices, and programs that support part-time faculty. The award includes a \$15,000.00 prize and the Institute will be recognized in awards ceremony at the American Association of Colleges and Universities at the annual meeting next January in San Francisco.
- This week MC celebrates Hispanic heritage month. MC is a Hispanic serving institution as designated by the Department of Education. Please mark your calendar for events and activities available at the college.
- The upcoming Presidential Town Hall is on September 28th you can submit your questions by video or writing the links are in the Monday minute.
- Review the announcement from public safety, campus safety fairs
- Mental health and wellness, is an important topic, it is essential to acknowledge the impact mental health and wellness has on a daily basis, lots of trauma, take care of self and others Mental health first aid class- 331 faculty/staff completed since 2017, it is *essential* need safe spaces
- Masks are still required in all instructional places, students expected to be vaccinated

COVID-Update (Chevelle Glymph, Director of Public Health and Environmental Safety)

Chevelle Glymph presented an overview of the COVID policies for Students, Faculty and staff. Detailed guidelines can be found on MYMC [Return to Campus | Montgomery College, Maryland](https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/return-to-campus) <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/return-to-campus>. There will be an additional discussion at the next College Council meeting. Dr. Cain will forward questions to the Council to get feedback all constituency groups.

Strategic Enrollment Management (Dr. Kimberly McNair, Director of College Access and Enrollment)

Dr. Kimberly McNair presented a PowerPoint presentation about Strategic Enrollment management, regarding what it is and how we can participate in helping MC achieve its enrollment strategies. To view the presentation, visit the Montgomery College Blackboard Community Governance page.

Chair's Report (Shakenna Adams-Gormley, College Council Vice-Chair)

The College Council theme for 2022-2023 is Helping to create institutional transitions and transformations for student success.

To view the PowerPoint presentation for additional details, visit the Montgomery College Blackboard Community Governance page.

College Council Goals Discussion (All Councils)

Shakenna shared a document of the FY23 priorities from the President Dr. Jermaine F. Williams (this document can be viewed on the Blackboard Community governance page).

1. Transform Student experiences and success
2. Expand educational opportunity to transform lives
3. Expand partnerships to strengthen our community and empower economic mobility

The College Council priority is to expand educational opportunity to transform lives. Based on some of the goals/priorities the councils are tasked to come up with 2 goals they will work on this year. The previous year one of the council goals was mental health and the other goal was MC communication. The Mobile market is always a priority and the market needs volunteers. Open discussion of possible goals.

- Awareness of student and employee services/resources
- Develop support system for WDCE students to navigate between WDCE and credit courses
- Partnership with counseling and advising to have a series of workshops to help students transition to college
- Understanding of Governance
- Support with students with disabilities
- Services Public safety and IT offer
- Mental health
- Streamline communication to students
- Working with MC votes committee

Recommendation 22-01

The College Council recommendation 22-01: Enhancement of Collegewide Building Directories through use of QR codes was approved by the President and senior leadership. The approved recommendation was sent out to the college community on September 7th 2022. The recommendation was assigned to the Senior Vice President for Administrative and Fiscal Services, Sherwin Colette to review and make a recommendation to President for recommendation implemented.

Governance Information (Dr. Clevette Ridguard, Governance Director)

Dr. Ridguard wanted to thank everyone who participated in the Governance training. Attendance was high: 104 participants attended the morning training and 38 attended the governance officers training in the afternoon. Dr. Ridguard reviewed the feedback survey responses. We had a positive response 104 participants 47% of the participants did the survey. Dr. Ridguard shared a PowerPoint regarding the survey feedback from the training please visit the Blackboard governance community page.

Dr. Ridguard shared other reminders:

- Reminder please attach the meeting agenda to your zoom invitation
- Changes to governance roster: Inform Yvette Taylor

- Proxy-send email in writing and that the proxy has voting rights
- The Annual Governance report 2021 – 2022, reports can be found on the Governance website and Blackboard Governance community page.
- Governance Goals – Oct 30th 2022 – SMARTIE Template was provided to the members
- File Format for minutes and agendas
- Governance recommendations
- Governance is invited to Participate in a Racial Truth Healing Circle in person meeting on Tuesday, October 25, 2022. The October 11, 2022 is the only College Council meeting for October.

Wrap Up (Shakenna Adams-Gormley, College Council Vice-Chair)

Dr. Stephen Cain introduced himself to the new and returning members, he thanked the College Council member for stepping up and participating in Governance. He gave some background of his work assignments at the College. Dr. Cain is the liaison for the College Council he attends all of the College Council meetings. Dr. Cain meets with Dr. Ridguard to go over recommendations brought forth to the College Council.

Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned at 2:39 pm.