

MC GOVERNANCE

Montgomery College
College Council
Meeting #10 Minutes
Tuesday, March 11, 2025
1:00 – 3:00 PM
Zoom Meeting

Attendees

Present: Shakenna Adams-Gormley (Chair), Ramon De La Cruz, Amanda Darr, Nghi Nguyen, Mhambi Musonda, Matthew Wilson, Tonya Addleman, John Amoroso, Ernest Cartledge, Dr. Arlene Blaylock, Cathy Henley, Dr. Anestine Theophile-LaFond,

Absent: Dr. Paul Miller, Dr. Christine Crefton

Proxy: Dr. Zenobia Garrison for Dr. Paul Miller. Dr. Elysse Meredith for Dr. Christine Crefton

Guest: Dr. Jermaine F. Williams, Dr. Ed Cabellon, Dr. Michelle Campbell, Sherwin Collette, Dr. Deidre Price, Dr. Meghan Gibbons, Dr. Debbie Van Camp, Daphne Alfelor, Dr. Elena Saenz, Sharon Coope, Mai Toyofuku, Angie Moy, Gloria Barron, Dr. Kimberly McNair, Maria Adams, Kimberly Jones

Liaison: Dr. Stephen D. Cain

Governance Director: Dr. Clevette Ridguard

Resource member: Yvette Taylor

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Shakenna Adams-Gormley at 1:00 p.m., with a quorum present. The meeting was recorded for internal purposes.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

Meeting minutes for February 25th, 2025 tabled until our meeting on Tuesday, March 25th, 2025.

Constituent Concerns-----

Shakenna Adams-Gormley brought forth a concern with the new book store processes. The concern is students believed they had funding available to use, but Follett is no longer the bookstore vendor. A better notification system is needed to keep students informed. With the transition underway, can students still use their allocated funds to order from third-party vendors, or will the funds be redirected for use exclusively at the new bookstore?

Mai Toyofuku and Sharon Coope brought forth a concern with the lack of a Safety Culture Award to showcase when there's are proactive steps for safety from employees at the College.

President's Remarks

President, Dr. Jermaine F. Williams

Dr. Jermaine F. Williams addressed the College Council Chairs, and guest he thanked the College Council Chairs for their hard work and dedication, and how important their leadership role in governance. He shared some important information:

- Memo sent to the College Community for the Updated Guidance for Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility.
- Two Montgomery College Students received awards for Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society.

Chair's Report

College Council Chair, Shakenna Adams-Gormley

Shakenna Adams-Gormley presented a PowerPoint outlining upcoming College events and important dates. It is available on the Governance Blackboard community.

Policy & Procedure Update

Dr. Debbie Van Camp, Director of Planning and Policy

Dr. Debbie Van Camp presented a PowerPoint presentation below are some of the highlights: To view the full presentation visit the Governance Blackboard community.

Recently Approved

- 75004: Freedom of Expression (Modifications)
- 32202: Temporary Adjunct Faculty Positions (Retirement)

Currently Posted

- 53001CP: Academic Regulations and Standards (Modifications)
- 61XXX: Asset Management (New)
- 66001: Acceptable use of Information Technology (Modifications)

Scheduled for Board Review

- March Meeting - 61003: Bank Services (Modifications)
- April Meeting – 58002, 61XXX, 61006: Fixed Asset Management (Retire), 61007: Intangible Asset Management (Retire), 61007

Coming Soon

- Chapter restricting
- New Policies: Hazing, Pregnancy and Pregnancy Related Conditions, Generative AI, and Public Health and Environmental Safety
- Modifications: 37001: Personnel Files and 63001: Procurement, Contracts, and Consultant Services

Daphne Alfelor, Staff Enrichment Day Chair

- Register for event: Main Event and One Morning and One Afternoon Workshop
- Encourage staff to attend

Council Updates

Dr. Anestine Theophile-LaFond, Faculty Council:

- Dialogue with Facilities for one of goals of the academic year regarding space

John Amoroso, WDCE Council

- Partnered with OEI to have Racial Healing Circle during Equity Week, lunch will be provided Thursday, April 10

Ramon De La Cruz, Operational Services Council, Nghi Nguyen, Staff Council

- Delivered Spiffy Closet goal
- Staff Enrichment Day Update

Governance Updates Nominations and Elections

Dr. Clevette Ridguard, Director of Governance and Presidential Projects

Dr. Clevette Ridguard presented a PowerPoint presentation below are some of the highlights:
To view the full presentation visit the Governance Blackboard community.

- Deadline to accept or decline nomination is March 21
- Complete Nominee's Interest Statement, 2-4 sentences
- Employees are nominated for 2-year terms; students are for 1-year terms
- Have conversation with supervisor before nominee accepts their nomination
- College Council members are invited to the Student Council Meeting, in-person, April 4, Rockville Campus, SC 152, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Meaningful Engagement with MCPS

Dr. Elena Saenz, Associate Senior Vice President for Academic Partnerships and Programs

- Worlds of Work events March 17th, 18th and 20th
- Need volunteers for these events, especially at the Takoma Park Silver Spring Campus

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1.59 p.m. following a motion by Dr. Anestine Theophile-LaFond and seconded by Ramon De La Cruz.

