
MONTGOMERY COLLEGE GOVERNANCE

Rockville Campus Council

February 6, 2023

via Zoom

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Attendees

- Members present: Katherine M. Goldstein (Chair), Elizabeth Melanson (Vice Chair), Anne Briggs (Secretary), Tendai Johnson, Samuel Dina, Lisa Hackley, David Burkart, Rebecca Fuchs, Ivonne Bruneau-Botello
- Proxies present: Christiane Bonkougou (for Hayatullah Khan)
- Members Absent: Amal Alsufyani, Raquel Bunai, Hayatullah Khan
- Guests: Adam Reid, Robert Mueck, Sergio Washington

Call to Order

- The regular meeting was called to order at 2:33 p.m. by Chair Katie Goldstein. The meeting was recorded for internal use only.
- The meeting began with roll call.

Approval of Minutes

- The December 2022 minutes were approved as written. David Burkart motioned to approve. Ivonne Bruneau-Botello seconded.

Constituent Concerns

- David Burkart:
 - A staff member requested that additional maps (permanent, external) of the campus be displayed around campus, particularly in front of the CB building.
 - A student reported that she didn't feel safe at the bus stop because it is too dark. Requested more lighting around the bus stop.
- Stephanie Krasnoff (guest): Rockville Science Day is returning this year. She needs to know who the proper contact is.
 - David Burkart suggested it is likely Michael Mehalick, project manager for iSTEM Network. He will share the contact information with Stephanie.
- Ivonne Bruneau-Botello: ASL faculty want to know if there is any policy on electric scooters on campus. A faculty member and student were passed very closely by someone on an electric scooter, which scared them. If there is no policy, is there a way to get one passed to enhance campus safety?
 - Adam Reid: This would be a violation of [P&P 75001](#), Use of Facilities. In particular, see section II(l): *"Use or riding of skateboards, in-line skates, scooters, hoverboards, bicycles, or other means of motorized or self-balancing conveyance is prohibited in College buildings; on College athletic fields; on court, track and trail surfaces; on sidewalks; and on exterior stairways, handrails, benches, retaining walls, decks, and ramps."*

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- Public Safety will be extra vigilant of this issue.
 - Updates to existing constituent concerns:
 - David Burkart: Water fountains in SW, first floor not functioning due to concerns around COVID-19. Still not working and no water bottle fillers available.

Chair's Report (presented by Katie Goldstein)

- Next Mobile market is taking place Wednesday, 2/, 10am – 12pm outside the North Garage. Volunteers are needed and the food is open to all.
- Rockville Campus Council will “adopt” the March Mobile Market.
- Equity and Inclusion Awards Select Committee seeks a volunteer from each council to serve on the committee. Rockville Campus Council members should express interest in serving to Katie Goldstein.
- Transfer Fairs are taking place in person. Members are asked to help promote and refer students to counseling and advising if they need help determining which schools to meet at the fairs.
 - February 27 at TPSS
 - February 28 at Rockville (10am – 1pm, main gym in PE building)
 - March 1 at Germantown
- Club Rush is taking place on Wednesday, February 8 from 12pm to 2pm in the small gym in the PE building. Representatives from most campus clubs will be there.
- Library News:
 - MC Library offers free textbooks for students in select courses, as well as a platform called [Faculty Select](#) that faculty can use to find and adopt a free e-textbook for their courses.
 - Faculty and staff are encouraged to refer students to the library's appointment booking service for assistance with research for assignments.
 - Best-sellers program is back at the Rockville and Germantown libraries. Library regularly gets the latest best-sellers for anyone to borrow.
 - Reminder that the TP/SS Campus library has relocated to the P1 building during renovations.
- Athletics: [Men's](#) and [Women's](#) Basketball are currently underway. Visit the Athletics website to see the schedule or access live streaming of games.
- If you are experiencing a mental health crisis, please call, text, or chat 24 hours a day:
 - Montgomery County Crisis Hotline: 240-777-4000
 - National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 800-273-8255, Press 1 for Veterans Crisis Line
 - Online chat support at imalive.org
 - Text chat support: text “start” to 741741
 - National Domestic Violence Hotline: 800-799-7233
 - Students:

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- <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/counseling-and-advising/personal-counseling.html>
 - <http://www.montgomerycollege.edu/can>
 - <http://www.montgomerycollege.edu/shaw-center>
 - Faculty/Staff:
 - <https://info.montgomerycollege.edu/offices/human-resources/faculty-staff-assistance-program.html>

Presentation: Adam Reid, Director of Public Safety, and Robert Mueck, Assistant Director of Public Safety for the Rockville Campus

- Follow-up on constituent concern related to the door of the women’s locker room being propped open:
 - Facilities is responsible for booking spaces but Public Safety can support by unlocking doors as needed. Call them for assistance.
 - Facilities, Public Safety, and Sherwin Collette, Senior Vice President for Administrative and Fiscal Services, visit the locker room. Facilities has agreed to develop and implement a resolution for the concern. James Gillis will update the council when he is available at a future meeting.
- Request for the community to close any doors you see propped open around campus and report the issue to Public Safety.
- Proactive emergency management work is ongoing. Michael Harding is meeting with individual departments as requested on everything from fire safety to responding to medical concerns.
 - Any department is welcome to request a meeting with Michael.
- Public Safety recently completed a project to perform maintenance on AEDs and bleeding control units.
- Planning is underway for a low-impact drill. This will be collegewide and Public Safety is currently considering dates in March.
- Kudos to Carlo Sanchez for stepping in as interim Assistant Director of Public Safety for the Rockville Campus until the position could be filled.
- The new Assistant Director of Public Safety for the Rockville Campus is Robert (Bob) Mueck.
 - Bob has over 30 years in the higher education safety field, including at University of Maryland College Park, George Washington University, and St. John’s College in Annapolis.
- Question from a guest, Hoa Nguyen: Faculty want to know if Run, Hide, Fight is still the current protocol for a public safety event, such as an active shooter.
 - Adam Reid confirmed that Run, Hide, Fight is still in use at MC.
- Question from a guest, Hoa Nguyen: What is a best practice to ensure that the person at the door claiming to be the police is actually the police in an emergency situation?

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- Bob Mueck: Recommend that you call 911. The dispatcher should be able to get you confirmation.
 - Question from Tendai Johnson: In past semesters, there have been issues with the buildings not being unlocked in a timely manner.
 - Adam Reid explained that Facilities provides the list of buildings to unlock and times to Public Safety, which handles unlocking the buildings.
 - Bob Mueck will look into the issue to ensure buildings are unlocked in a timely manner.

Presentation: Sergio Washington, Program Manager, SHaW Center

- Sergio serves as the chair of the Student Services and Success Council.
- SHaW Center aims to identify, provide, and connect students with basic needs security:
 - Fuel for Success Campaign (includes Mobile Markets. Volunteers are always needed for all markets on all campuses)
 - Personal and Hygienic Care Campaign
 - Social Resources Program.
- Mental wellness programming: stress relief workshops, awareness campaigns
 - Mental Health First Aid trainings were cancelled because Stephanie Will left the College. Also, a minimum of four participants are needed for the program to run.
- Personal safety education: online module courses (on alcohol, drug use, sexual assault, and more), bystander intervention trainings.
- Physical wellness programming: exercise programs, vaccines, health fairs, healthy eating challenge, HIV/STD education and screenings.
- Peer2Peer program includes peer advocates and peer educations.
 - Peer navigators act as ambassadors for the college, helping students or tabling at events.
- Rockville Campus Council is adopting the March Mobile Market on the Rockville Campus (March 8, 10am – 12pm, outside North Garage). All members should sign up and get a friend to sign up as well.
 - To register:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4FADAF2AA4FDCE9-shaw>

Goals

- Anne Briggs summarized the communications goal: Create a Communications Kit to empower the people hosting the events and activities to promote their activities themselves: Include advice, strategies, and templates for how to promote
- Katie Goldstein explained that the voting goal will be deferred until next year. At that time, the Council can work on promoting voting in advance of the 2024 elections.
- Instead of the voting goal, the Council will work on a mental health goal.
- Members split into two breakout rooms to discuss the goals and next steps.

Other Business

- Dr. Ridguard reminded council members that government nominations open on February 27, 2023. Learn more about [the nomination process on the governance website](#).

Meeting Adjourned at 4:01 p.m. Tendai Johnson motioned, Liz Melanson seconded.

Respectfully submitted by
Anne Briggs, Rockville Campus Council Secretary