



BOARD OF TRUSTEES PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
Montgomery College, Rockville, Maryland
Board Room, Central Services Building, 9221 Corporate Boulevard
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September 18, 2023

A. CALL TO ORDER–PUBLIC VOTE TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

Board Chair Brintnall called a brief public meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. for the sole purpose of voting to go into closed session. A roll call of trustees was taken to establish a quorum.

B. ROLL CALL–PUBLIC VOTE TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

Trustees Present: Trustee Michael A. Brintnall, Chair
Trustee Frieda K. Lacey, First Vice Chair
Trustee Gloria Aparicio Blackwell, Second Vice Chair
Trustee Sheryl Brissett Chapman
Trustee Annice Cody
Trustee Judy Docca
Trustee Omar A. Lazo
Trustee Robert F. Levey
Trustee Rishi G. Nixon

Trustee Absent: Trustee Maricé I. Morales

C. MOTION TO CLOSE SESSION

Board Chair Brintnall announced that pursuant to the General Provisions Article 3-305(b), the meeting would be closed only to:

- discuss two personnel matters – subsection 1, and
- one personnel and privacy matter – subsections 1 and 2.

Trustee Levey made a motion to close the meeting. Trustee Aparicio Blackwell seconded the motion.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

No members of the public had any objections to closing the meeting.

Statutory authority	Topic description	Persons present for discussion	Action Taken
3-305(b) Subsection 1	To discuss details of two separate personnel matters	Trustees; president; chief of staff/chief strategy officer; general counsel; senior vice presidents; board staff	Information only. No action taken.

3-305(b) Subsections 1 and 2	To consider donor history and personnel record of retiree in relation to a naming honor	Trustees; president; chief of staff/chief strategy officer; general counsel; senior vice presidents; board staff	Information only. No action taken.
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1. RECONVENE PUBLIC MEETING

The Montgomery College Board of Trustees reconvened at 6:13 p.m. on September 18, 2023, in the Board Room of the Central Services Building, 9221 Corporate Boulevard, Rockville, Maryland, to conduct the public session of its September meeting. The public was invited to participate in person or via Zoom teleconference.

2. ROLL CALL

Trustees Present: Trustee Michael A. Brintnall, Chair
 Trustee Frieda K. Lacey, First Vice Chair
 Trustee Gloria Aparicio Blackwell, Second Vice Chair
 Trustee Sheryl Brissett Chapman
 Trustee Annice Cody
 Trustee Judy Docca
 Trustee Omar A. Lazo
 Trustee Robert F. Levey
 Trustee Rishi G. Nixon

Trustee Absent: Trustee Maricé I. Morales

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Trustee Levey made a motion to approve the public meeting agenda. Trustee Aparicio Blackwell seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

4. OATH OF OFFICE

Ms. Karen Bushell, Montgomery County clerk of the circuit court, administered a ceremonial oath of office to trustees.

5. TRIBUTE

BR#24-09-001 Tribute to Professor Karissa Silver

Trustee Lacey made a motion to approve the tribute. Trustee Levey seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Williams gave remarks about the life and service of Professor Karissa Silver. Dr. Tonya Mason, collegewide dean of student success and Rockville student affairs, also provided remarks and received the tribute on behalf of the Silver family.

6. REPORTS

A. President's Report

Dr. Williams welcomed the trustees and other attendees to the first Board of Trustees meeting of the 2023–2024 academic year; and he extended a welcome to the three new trustees—Dr. Sheryl Brissett Chapman, Dr. Judith Docca, and Mr. Rishi Nixon. He also congratulated Second Vice Chair Gloria Aparicio Blackwell for receiving the University of Maryland, College Park President's Medal.

Dr. Williams provided an enrollment update, reporting that at the start of the fourth week of the fall semester, over 17,500 credit students are enrolled—about 500 more students than this time last year. Workforce Development and Continuing Education noncredit fall enrollment is also off to a strong start. He stated that the publication called WalletHub recently ranked the College tenth in the nation among community colleges and first in the state of Maryland, adding that the rankings are based on data that include cost, educational outcomes, and career outcomes. In addition to this accolade, Dr. Williams reported that Study International also ranked Montgomery College (MC) seventh in the nation among community colleges for international students, which make up about 7% of the student body.

Transitioning to accolades and acknowledgements, Dr. Williams proudly reported that 18 MC students participated in the annual Beacon Conference, hosted by Rockland Community College in New York. Out of the 17 panels at the conference, Montgomery College students won six—representing a diversity of disciplines including international studies, literature, sociology, women and gender studies, biology, and chemistry. Dr. Williams also recognized Dean Shinta Hernandez for her appointment as the president of the executive council of the Community College Consortium for Open Educational Resources.

Concluding his report, Dr. Williams recognized faculty and staff for the College's robust programming in observance of Hispanic Heritage Month. He stated that this year's theme, Latinos: Driving Prosperity, Power, and Progress in America, recognizes the achievements and contributions of Hispanic American champions.

B. FY23 Fourth Quarter Financial Summary Report

Senior Vice President for Administrative and Fiscal Services Sherwin Collette and Chief Business/Financial Strategy Officer Liz Greaney provided a summary report of income and expenditures of the fourth quarter of last fiscal year, FY23.

C. Chair's Report

Board Chair Brintnall began his report with a welcome to new trustees Dr. Sheryl Brissett Chapman, Dr. Judith Docca, and Student Trustee Mr. Rishi Nixon. He also congratulated Trustee Aparicio Blackwell on receiving the University of Maryland President's Medal. He added that this honor is awarded for an "exemplary record of sustained service" that has had a "wide-ranging and enhancing influence on the entire university community."

Transitioning to news of recent events, Board Chair Brintnall reported that he and the trustees have attended several events in the past few weeks, including the College's New Trustee Orientation; the Governance Leadership Institute, hosted by the Association of Community College Trustees; and the Board's Recognition and Networking Reception; and the Presidential Scholars Program discussion on September 12. He also mentioned that trustees attended the Board's Fall Retreat, which took place on September 7.

Concluding his report, Board Chair Brintnall acknowledged Rosh Hashanah and upcoming Yom Kippur holidays, as well as the beginning of Hispanic Heritage Month, which began on September 15.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

	June 21, 2023 Public Vote and Closed Session Minutes
	June 21, 2023 Public Meeting Minutes
BR#24-09-002	Personnel Actions Confirmation Report
BR#24-09-003	Graduates Receiving Associates Degrees and Certificates in Summer 2023
BR#24-09-004	Modification of Policy 21000—College Mission, Vision, and Core Values

Trustee Levey made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Trustee Aparicio Blackwell seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

8. AWARDS OF CONTRACT (COMPETITIVE)

BR#24-09-005	Award of Contract, Utility Vault Piping Replacement, Takoma Park/Silver Spring Campus, Bid 624-004
BR#24-09-006	Award of Contract, Vocational Training and Employment Services, Bid e924-001

Trustee Lacey made a motion to approve the competitive awards of contracts. Trustee Levey seconded.

Trustee questions focused on the competitive bid process and details of the Vocational Training and Employment Services contract.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

9. BUDGET MATTERS

BR#24-09-007	FY23 Current Fund Functional Transfer
BR#24-09-008	FY24 Capital Budget Fund Transfer from Planned Lifecycle Asset Replacement Project to the Planning, Design, and Construction Project

Trustee Aparicio Blackwell made a motion to approve the budget matters. Trustee Lazo seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

10. REGULATORY MATTER

BR#24-09-009 The 2023 Performance Accountability Report

Dr. John Hamman, chief analytics and insights officer, presented details of the 2023 Performance Accountability Report.

Trustee questions focused on specific details and benchmarks of the report.

Trustee Nixon made a motion to approve the regulatory matter. Trustee Levey seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

11. NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Aparicio Blackwell congratulated the Board on a smooth transition to its new portal, AGB OnBoard.

12. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Lacey welcomed Evelyn Cordova to the Board Team.

Board Chair Brintnall thanked the Board staff for a busy and successful pre-season.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Aparicio Blackwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Nixon seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Signature on file

Dr. Michael A. Brintnall
Chair, Board of Trustees

Signature on file

Dr. Jermaine F. Williams
President and Secretary-Treasurer,
Board of Trustees

Recorder: Lily Lee
Approved on: October 16, 2023