

MC GOVERNANCE

Montgomery
College
College Council Meeting #2 Minutes
Tuesday, September 24, 2024
1:00 – 3:00 PM
Zoom Meeting

Attendees

Present: Shakenna Adams-Gormley (Chair), Dr. Paul Miller (Vice Chair), Tilandra Rhyne (Secretary), Ramon De La Cruz, Ernest Cartledge, Dr. Arlene Blaylock, Amanda Darr, Dr. Anestine Theophile- LaFond, Nghi Nguyen, Mhambi Musonda, Matthew Wilson, Tonya Addleman, Arkar Kyaw-Win, John Amoroso

Absent: None

Proxy: None

Guests: Dr. Jermaine F. Williams, Dr. Meghan Gibbons, Dr. Deidre Price, Sherwin Collette, Dr. Ed Cabellon, Dr. Debbie Van Camp, Dr. Michelle Campbell, Betty Francis, Dr. Michelle Scott, Dr. Michael Mills, Josephine Trawick, Megan Cooperman, Fizie Haleem, KeKeletso Lowe, Suzette Spencer, Maria Adams

Liaison: Dr. Stephen D. Cain

Governance Director: Dr. Clevette Ridguard

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

Ramon De La Cruz moved to approve the minutes from the September 10, 2024, meeting, which was seconded by John Amoroso. The minutes were approved as written. The agenda for the September 24, 2024, meeting was also approved without changes.

Constituent Concerns

No concerns presented

Chair's Report

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

Academic Affairs Updates

Dr. Deidre Price, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs/College Provost, shared a PowerPoint update on Academic Affairs. To view the presentation, please visit the Governance Blackboard community.

Senior Vice President for Student Affairs Search

Dr. Stephen Cain, Chief of Staff, provided a PowerPoint presentation outlining the search process for the new Senior Vice President for Student Affairs. The presentation is available in the Governance Blackboard community.

Policy and Procedure Review

Dr. Debbie Van Camp, Director of Planning and Policy, gave an overview of the policies and procedures currently under review. Details of the presentation can be found in the Governance Blackboard community.

Wellness Update

Megan Cooperman, Employee Wellness Specialist, shared a presentation on the wellness activities available to the College community. Additional details are available on the Governance Blackboard Community.

New Business

Board of Trustees Meetings

- The College Council goals will be discussed at the meeting on Tuesday, October 8th.
- The Board of Trustees dinner with the College Council is scheduled for October 14th. If the chair is unable to attend, a representative from the council should attend.
- John Amoroso, WDCE Council Chair, reported on the Board of Trustees meeting held on Monday, September 16th, highlighting:
 1. A 6% enrollment increase reported by the President.
 2. Montgomery College's 78th anniversary celebration.
 3. The FY24 fourth-quarter financial summary.
 4. The passing of Trustee Judith Doca.
 5. Two contracts were awarded: 1) web-based software solution for higher education, workplace, and student training 2) media services. Dr. John Hamman's presentation on the performance accountability report.

Council Updates

- **Ramon De La Cruz**, Operational Services Council Chair: The council's goal focuses on student support through a clothing and food drive.
- **Arkar Kyaw-Win**, Rockville Campus Council Chair: Addressed a constituent concern it was forwarded to facilities. Their goals will be finalized at the next meeting.
- **Dr. Paul Miller**, Employee Services Council Chair (reported by Shakenna Adams-Gormley): The council's goal centers on community engagement.

- **Dr. Anestine Theophile-LaFond**, Facility Council Chair: Discussed classroom furniture layout issues and dialogue between facilities and faculty.
- **Nghi Nguyen**, Staff Council Chair: Their goals will be finalized at the next meeting.
- **Tilandra Rhyne**, Academic Services Council Chair: The council will be finalizing goals at the next meeting. Invitations have been sent to guest speakers for September-December 2024.
- **John Amoroso**, WDCE Council Chair: Three constituent concerns were brought forward—two addressed by Vice President Steve Greenfield, and one forwarded to the Employee Services Council. The council will continue last year’s Truth and Racial Healing Transformation Circle goal and will finalize new goals, including increased engagement, at the next meeting.
- **Ernest Cartledge**, Student Services and Success Council Chair: The council will finalize goals and discuss replacements for one faculty member and two student members.
- **Mhambi Musonda**, Student Council Chair: The council will discuss their goals at the next meeting.
- **Matt Wilson**, TPSS Campus Council Chair: The council addressed a constituent concern and agreed on a goal to repurpose the closed store space in the Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation Arts Center for student use.
- **Dr. Arlene Blaylock**, Administrator Council Chair: The council discussed incorporating anti-racism badging or an element of diversity, equity, and inclusion badging for administrators as a council goal.

Governance Updates

Dr. Clevette Ridguard, Governance Director shared a PowerPoint presentation. To view visit the Governance Blackboard community.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:57 p.m. following a motion by Tilandra Rhyne, seconded by John Amoroso.