

# MC GOVERNANCE

## GERMANTOWN CAMPUS COUNCIL

### MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 5, 2022; 2:00 – 4:00 pm

Zoom Meeting

#### Attendees

*Present:* Tonya Baker, Marcus Peanort, Chris Cusic, Joanna Kilby, Sharon Anthony, Paul Jenkins, Patricia Robinson

*Absent:* Amanda Darr, Charlie Jackson, Lori Kelman, Naadir Bakari

*Proxy:* Amanda Stroud for Brandon Mollock

*Guests:* Fizie Haleem, Nichole Land, Sally McClean, Avisa Tonekaboni, Shinta Hernandez

*Liaison:* Margaret Latimer

#### Call to Order

There is a quorum to conduct business. The meeting was called to order at 2:02 pm by the chair.

#### Approval of Agenda/Minutes

The agenda and minutes were approved as written. The meeting was recorded for internal use only.

#### Constituent Concerns

- None.

**Virtual Campus Update** (Dr. Shinta Hernandez, Dean of the Virtual Campus) – Provided a presentation that informed us of the background, foundation, and next steps for the virtual campus.

- Enrollment in distance learning courses is increasing (asynchronous)
- 4 Pillars of Virtual Campus
  - Innovation – academic course quality and modality (Quality Matters recognized)
  - Access, Equity and Inclusion – OERs, 7-week accelerated, virtual middle college, wdce
  - Collaboration – external (national, state, local) and internal (academic affairs, student affairs, communications, equity & inclusion, virtual campus team)
  - Holistic Educational Excellence – Professional Development for faculty and staff; wraparound services for students
- Cross functional teams
  - Implementation Team (short-term); 8 subcommittees, 26 members
  - Horizon Team (long-term); 8 subcommittees, 27 members
- Branding and Marketing – reworking the website; working on name and rollout
- Microcredentialing for quality assurance. MC's version of quality matters. For online teaching. Someone suggested a microcredential for student support services
- Navigator – developing ideas of what this person(s) would do. Be a POC for onboarding? Direct questions to the right place.
- Physical Space – as a HUB for virtual campus?

### **Provost's Report (Margaret Latimer)**

The provost provided the following information and updates:

- Asked for feedback with masks optional. How's it going?
  - In the library students are still wearing masks by choice.
  - Required in classroom, but have a sense that 90% of them would like to keep them. Some students are confused about when/where they have to wear them
- Hosted an Eastern European Delegation in Cybersecurity Center
- Huge thank you to everyone who made the baseball game day a fun event
- College Closing meeting will be in person on the GT campus, May 18<sup>th</sup>
- Honors Convocation will be in person in Globe Hall, May 6<sup>th</sup>
- Hosting 2 commencements this year – Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> and Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup>
- Campus picnic will be in person this year – May 17<sup>th</sup>
- Take advantage of programming during Equity Week

### **Student Thoughts (Avisa Tonekaboni)**

- Introduction: Avisa Tonekaboni – early college student studying biological sciences. She was a part of MCLeads last semester. This semester the EIFFEL program. Also involved in pre-med society, a student-led club.
- Positive Experience: Live in Rockville but take the shuttle every day to Germantown b/c programming not available in Rockville – solved her transportation problem.
- Challenging Experience: She had trouble adjusting to College but didn't think that was the College's fault – just something she had to adjust to. Writing Center was really helpful to me because English classes were very different.
- She has been fully in-person, this is her first semester. Was online for psychology in the winter because that was how her program was set up.
- Suggestions for MC: Pop up events are excellent. Get to go to these, meet new people, and interact and learn things. Fun experience. Would like to have a few more of those.
- Question: Have you used the library or its serves? Just had an appointment with the librarian this morning. I was struggling with paper so got some help. ATPA coach recommended I check in with a librarian. Got a lot of good information from that time – really clear – and now I know what to work on for my paper. Also scheduled to meet with someone in the writing center.
- Question: Any coaches/embedded support? Yes. Very helpful to have another person to talk with. Appreciate the learning center too. Coaches are just there to help you. Having that has positively impacted me. Talk to my cohort about these resources and experiences. Most students don't know or haven't tried these resources so she's going to get them to join because they are a big help.
- Question: What are your plans after MC? Go to UMD, they accept a lot of credits from Early College program. Hope to be a dentist or work in the dental field.

### **Chair's Report (Tonya Baker)**

The chair provided the following information and updates:

- Governance elections open until 4/8. Be sure to vote.
- College Council is hosting a student panel on 4/12. Join us if you can.
- CalTort Fundraiser – April 7<sup>th</sup> – National Burrito Day
- Panera Distribution – April 19<sup>th</sup> and May 10<sup>th</sup> – need help
- Will be electing Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary at the next meeting. If you are unable to come, please send a proxy since we will need to vote!
- PT Faculty Appreciation Day – April 19<sup>th</sup>

- Mobile Market on GT Campus – April 27<sup>th</sup>
- Emergency Preparedness Drill – April 8<sup>th</sup>
- Volunteers needed for commencement – go to website to sign up; watch for announcements

**Other Concerns/Updates**

- Doors to English/Reading Suite (PK140) opens outward when you go in. Can we make that an electronic door so it is ADA compliant?
- WDCE is hosting the Disney Institute on June 24<sup>th</sup> for their Excellence in Leadership Program. Sign up to participate.
- EAP process in Workday is extremely challenging.

**Adjourned**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:47 pm.