

MC GOVERNANCE

Montgomery College College Council Meeting #9 Minutes

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

1:00 – 3:00 PM

Zoom Meeting

Attendees

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

Absent: Dr. Christine Crefton (Proxy: Paul), Ramon De La Cruz (Proxy: Nghi)

Proxy: Dr. Paul Miller & Nghi Nguyen

Guest Speakers: Dr. Jermaine F. Williams, Mr. Sherwin Collette, Mr. Sokol Mato, Ms. Tonya Addleman, Dr. Glenda Hernandez Tittle, Dr. Sylvea Hollis

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

The meeting minutes for December 17, 2024, were approved as written.

Constituent Concerns

Concern 1: Anonymous

I am concerned that the College has not put out an official announcement regarding news reports and rumors about ICE visiting educational institutions. I think the lack of a statement from the College leadership is highly discomfoting. I happened to be a guest at the Germantown Campus Council meeting where a similar concern was brought up amongst

faculty, and the answer was that faculty should talk to their Department Chairs. Well, what about the rest of us who aren't faculty and don't have Department Chairs? Also, that's not how information should be distributed. We shouldn't have to search or ask for it. I'm also concerned that our students aren't seeing any type of statement from College leadership. I'm frankly disappointed that a College who prides itself on being a minority-serving institution and requiring Anti-Racism training has not released any kind of official statement.

Presidential Remarks

President, Dr. Jermaine F. Williams

- Shared updates on what happening around the campuses
- Highlighted the Economy Impact Study
- The College contributes \$1.4 million a year to the economy
- Middle States Self-Study Report coming soon
- Candidate Forums for the SVP-Student Affairs
- Thank all employees for their great contributions to the College

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.

- Governance Recommendation (38001 CP Modifications), *Ms. Amanda Darr*
- Faculty and Staff Councils reviewed 38001 CP
- Want to provide consistency with all the awards
- Include an Inclusivity Statement
- See 38001 CP Modifications

MC Bookstore Updates

Mr. Sherwin Collette, SVP for Administrative and Fiscal Services & Sokol Mato, Director of Auxiliary Enterprises

Process of transitioning Campus Stores to Slingshot

- March 3, Rockville Store opens, flagship while TPSS and GT will be Hub, reimagining these spaces
- Portal available to faculty to interact and process book orders with Slingshot team
- Portal provide data for faculty on student purchases
- Portal for students allow digital, rental, or book options for textbook delivery
- Student Ambassador Program
- Faculty and staff training will be made available on importance of book adoptions

Middle States Self-Study and Re-accreditation

Ms. Tonya Addleman, Dr. Glenda Hernandez Tittle, Dr. Sylvea Hollis, Middle States Co-Chairs

- Last accredited in 2018
- Accreditation used to be 10-year cycles; now it's 8-year cycles
- Site visit from MSCHE during Spring 2027
- Meetings with College community: Fall 2025, Spring/Summer 2026
- See MS Self-Study Presentation

Governance Updates: Nominations and Elections,

Dr. Clevette Ridguard, Director of Governance and Presidential Projects

- Governance Awareness Day was a success on main campuses and CT
- Governance nominations and elections
- Nominations: 2/24-3/7 | Elections: 3/31-4/11
- Encourage everyone to participate
- Attend Governance Information Sessions via Zoom (2/28, 3/3, and 3/14)
- See Governance Updates presentation

Constitution & Bylaws Review and Vote

Chair Shakenna Adams-Gormley

- Minor changes for Governance Constitution
- Governance Bylaws, Nghi motioned, Tonya seconded.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:57p.m., Dr. Anestine Theophile-LaFond a motion by Tilandra Rhyne and seconded by Matt Wilson.