
MONTGOMERY COLLEGE GOVERNANCE

Rockville Campus Council

March 1, 2022

via Zoom

4:00–5:30 p.m.

Attendees

- Members present: Katherine M. Goldstein (Chair), Sullivan Voss (Vice Chair), Jennifer Page (Secretary), Joanne Carl, John Coliton, Andre Ferguson, Lisa Hackley, Justin Hicks, Elizabeth Melanson, Elizabeth Ridings, Matt Sandee
- Proxies present: None
- Members Absent: None
- Guests: Sharon Wilder, Brenda Knopp, James Gillis
- Governance Director: Dr. Clevette Ridguard

Call to Order

- The regular meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chair Katherine M. Goldstein. The meeting was recorded for internal use only.

Constituent Concerns

- Update on student accident concern: Katie forwarded to Adam Reid with Public Safety, and he is looking into the incident.

Approval of Minutes

- The February 2022 minutes were approved as written. Andre Ferguson motioned to approve. John Coliton seconded.

Report from James Gillis

- No new updates from last month.
- Questions:
 - Green space access:
 - Two requests have come in to use the space. To reserve the space, use the Community Use Scheduler or reach out to the help desk.
 - The space won't be available this summer due to work on the Theatre Arts.

Chair's Report (Katherine M. Goldstein)

- Two Council member vacancies
 - Part-time faculty
 - Full-time staff
- Governance nominations: nominate by March 10, 2022
<https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/vote>
- Meet and greet Dr. Jermaine Williams, the college's new president
 - Visiting every campus.
 - **Wednesday, March 2**, 1-2:30 p.m., Takoma Park/Silver Spring Campus Cultural Arts Center (CU), First Floor Lobby
 - **Thursday, March 3**, 10-11 a.m., Gaithersburg Business Training Center, 402-403

- 1-2:30 p.m., Germantown Campus Dr. DeRionne P. Pollard Student Affairs and Science Building (SA), Second Floor Lobby
 - **Monday, March 7, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Rockville Campus, Science Center West (SW), 301**
 - **Thursday, March 10, 7-8 p.m., Germantown Campus Paul Peck Academic and Innovation Building (PK), 105**
 - **Friday, March 11, 7-8 p.m., Takoma Park/Silver Spring Campus Catherine F. Scott Commons (CM), Second Floor Atrium**
- Goal of his is to visit every council
- Speak Up MC: voices against sexual violence
 - <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/policies-and-procedures/title-ix/speak-up-mc.html>
- Emergency support: new HEERF III grant
 - **Federal ARP Student Emergency Assistance Grant Request**
 - As a result of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021, Montgomery College received funds through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III).
 - We are distributing these funds to students to help cover emergency costs related to the coronavirus pandemic. The money can be used for food, housing, health care, child care, tuition, or other school-related fees and expenses.
 - In addition to federal (Title IV) financial aid eligible students, **new guidance will now allow federal emergency assistance for Maryland Dreamers, DACA students, and other similar undocumented students. International students studying under F1 and on other visas are also now eligible to apply.**
 - Students enrolled in credit, noncredit, and dual enrollment classes at MC for spring 2022 are eligible for these funds.
 - <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/return-to-campus/heerf-grants/student-emergency-assistance-request.html>
 - <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/coronavirus/students/financial-assistance-resources-support.html>
- Rockville campus pantry
 - This food and hygiene drive will be November 29th-December 17th. However, you are encouraged to donate at any time. Items can be delivered to the SHaW Center in the Long Nguyen & Kimmy Duong Student Services Center (SV), Suite 316.
 - Below is a list of popular and need items:
 - Canned Vegetables, Soups, Beans and Fruits
 - Dry Pasta, Beans and Rice
 - Canned Fish and Meat (Tuna, Chicken, Ham, etc.)
 - Cereal, Oatmeal, Applesauce
 - Pancake Mix & Syrup
 - Peanut Butter and Jelly
 - Boxed and Canned Meals: Soup, Spaghetti's, Mac & Cheese, Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper, Ramen Noodles
 - Powdered, Canned or Shelf-Stable Milk
 - Bottled drinks (juice or water)
 - Hygiene items (a very big need): soap/shower gel, deodorant, shampoo/conditioner, lotion, feminine care products, lip balm, toothpaste/toothbrush

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- **Please, no glass.**
 - MC Athletics at Rockville
 - Doubleheader game tonight at Rockville
 - Baseball, softball, and track and field are getting started.
 - Softball are looking for more players.
 - Women's and men's basketball are in full swing! Their games are played at Rockville at the gym. Masks required.
 - <https://www.mcraptors.com>
 - Student Life events of note:
 - Wonder Women Wednesdays:
 - MC's Got Talent Show 10th anniversary, March 24, 6pm-9pm at the Robert E. Parilla Performing Arts Center. Proceeds will go towards student scholarships.
 - Black History Month Voter Rights 101, March 3, 1pm on Zoom
 - My Sister's Keeper feminine hygiene product drive in honor of Women's History Month. Donations can be left in the box outside of SV 104A (Rockville campus) from March 1-30.
 - Crisis and personal resources
 - 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:
 - <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/counseling-and-advising/personal-counseling.html>
 - www.montgomerycollege.edu/can
 - www.montgomerycollege.edu/shaw-center
 - Faculty/Staff:
 - <https://info.montgomerycollege.edu/offices/human-resources/faculty-staff-assistance-program.html>

Announcements

- World Art Festival this week. Events are happening in person and online. Go to the Arts Institute webpage to sign up. <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/special-programs/arts-institute/index.html>
- Andre wishes to continue serving on the Rockville Council. He is no longer a Student Senate member.

Presentation: Sharon Wilder, Office of Equity and Inclusion (OEI)

- Reported on what the office has accomplished since fall 2021: Roadmap for Success
 - Civility norms
 - Developed a couple of years ago based on book *Mastering Civility* by Christine Porath that PACEI members read
 - Cycle of change model

- Developed a couple of years ago
 - Guide to understanding from awareness of equity and inclusion issues to action and change
- The OEI has grown a lot since it was developed 5 years ago
 - View slide #4 (*attached at end of the minutes*) for more information on all of the things that the offices does
- OEI is looking for more members for the Presidential Advisory Committee for Equity and Inclusion. If interested in joining, contact Sharon Wilder.
- Equity Week: April 4-8
- 2022 Excellence in Equity Award for students and employees. A Board of Trustees member has endowed the student awards so students will be receiving cash awards.
 - <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/about-mc/equity-and-inclusion/award.html>
- Roadmap for Success based on six SMARTIE goals
 - https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/_documents/about-mc/equity-and-inclusion/roadmap-memo.pdf
- Racial Equity
 - In 2020, MC Board of Trustees instituted a goal to prioritize being an antiracist institution. MC is doing that by:
 - Actively work to eliminate racism in regular daily interactions
 - Developing and providing resources
 - Antiracism definition
- E&I actions and intervention: goal 1 of anti-racist journey
 - Create professional development training, and a toolbox of materials
 - Badges: Antiracist journey badge, and social justice journey badge
- Upcoming events:
 - Book club: Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents, March 4 and May 6, 1:30pm-3:30pm
 - Gender/LGBTQIA+ film viewing and discussion on *My Name is Pauli Murray*, March 22

Council committee work

The two committees, Supporting the Arts, and Supporting Mental Health, met in break out rooms to work with goal setting.

Supporting the Arts Committee

- Members: John Coliton, Elizabeth Melanson, Justin Hicks, Andre Ferguson, Lisa Hackley, Sullivan Voss
- Two ideas:
 - Arts on the green event
 - Council turnout or group selfie at the ArtsWalk monuments, April 18-22
 - Possible dates/times for selfie:
 - April 21 screening of 8:00-9:30pm artist in resident
 - April 19 talk, 3:00pm, artist talk Brian Reichart (adjunct professor)

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- Promotion for event:
 - VPMA Instagram
 - MCARTS_rockville
 - Student senate Linktree can list events
 - Senate Public Outreach

Mental Health Committee

- Members: Joanne Carl, Elizabeth Ridings, Jennifer Page, Katherine Goldstein, Matt Sandee (not present)
- Exercise is Medicine (EIM): Exercise Science student-run program to promote physical activity, health, nutrition.
 - Encourage all of us to participate as well as disseminate to campus
 - Have the ability to measure the distance on walks starting at the Rockville campus.
 - Joanne Carl's students in broadcasting can create a promotional piece
 - Specific goals:
 - Identify 1-2 EIM events that could be promoted by broadcast students and attended by the Council.
 - Beth Ridings will work with students to create programs that focus on mental health (stress management, emotional well-being), and sent out an inquiry about the spring activities. Coordinators will be in touch with the Council.
 - Joanne Carl to identify students to work on the event's promotion.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:25 p.m. Sullivan Voss motioned, John Coliton seconded.

Respectfully submitted by
Jennifer Page, Rockville Campus Council Secretary