
MONTGOMERY COLLEGE GOVERNANCE
STUDENT SERVICES & SUCCESS COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, November 15, 2022 3:00 – 5:00 P.M.

Zoom
MINUTES

Attendees

- Members Present: Sergio Washington, Ernest Cartledge, Tonya Mason, Amanda Lebleu, Judith Taylor, Kelly Livernoche, Jessame Ferguson, Tyler McClenithan
- Members Absent: Luc Desir, Andrew Krieger, Daniel Robert Trujillo, Eunice Melo, Najah Mills, Michael Simone
- Guests: Clevette Ridguard, Professor Antonette Jones, Stephanie Will, Dr. Stephen Cain

Call to Order

Chair Washington called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m.

Constituent Concerns

- The General Education Standing Committee (GESC) would like to start having information tables at a few events to help students learn more about the value of their GenEd courses and why students have these requirements (and that GenEd is different than General Studies). Jessame asked the group for their insights for where/when it might be best for GESC to have information tables. Suggestions included at the Mobile Markets; places where there is lots of foot traffic such as in the Building near Counseling Services, the Science Center lobby during 10-11 or 1-2, in the Cafeteria; and during events for Financial Aid Awareness Month (the group organizing these events will discuss it).

Approval of Minutes

The October 18, 2022 meeting minutes were approved as corrected.

Chair's Report

Chair Washington shared important information items via a PPT presentation. Highlights included:

- There are several required trainings that must be completed by December 23.
- Remind students to register for classes.
- East Campus Education Center will have student services.
- The college is offering flu shots between Nov. 16 and Dec. 1.
- Open gym hours are available, employees should email Megan Cooperman to obtain access.
- There are 4 more mobile markets for the rest of the semester, please consider volunteering for 30 minutes. Nov. 16 & Dec. 14 at TP/SS, Nov. 30 at Germantown, and December 7 at Rockville. Volunteer form: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4fadaf2aa4fdce9-shaw> Or volunteer in spring if you can't in the fall. They aren't always outside, and you don't have to move heavy boxes.

Matters of the Mind and Money Colloquium – Professor Antonette Jones

- Innovation Grant to work with Boys to Men group and students to learn how to apply for scholarships and grants. It is a 7-week program.
- Please let Antonette Jones know if you know any students who would like to join.

- The students also get to work with the Boys to Men program and support services.
- Women can join too. And other students can attend the sessions to learn about the topics too.
- Students who want to participate in the full program need to apply and be a Maryland resident.
- There is a MMMC \$500 scholarship students can receive if they complete all the requirements, including attending sessions in Rockville.
- There are information sessions about the MMMC program coming up on December 1 and 6.

Mindful Moment - Stephanie Will

- Chair Washington provided this opportunity for Stephanie to provide guided stress relief for the members of the committee.
- Remember to guide students to opportunities for stress relief and mental wellness from the SHaW Center and other college resources.

Old Business

2022-23 Goals Discussion

- Tyler showed the brochure for Rockville Counseling & Advising, and the flier for the Student Success Courses (STSU).
- Chair Washington showed the SHaW center brochure.
- The other fliers/one-pagers to explain services are being created in advance of spring and will be ready to share at a future meeting.

East County Update - Dr. Stephen Cain

- There was a press conference on Nov. 2 to announce the ECEC. There was great turnout including county officials and residents.
- The staffing plan for ECEC is a work in progress and Dr. Cain has a meeting this week to discuss it. Preference for having some permanent positions located there rather than rotating staff in and out.
- MC grew from 1 to 3 campuses since 1950. The campuses form a straight line north-south diagonal. West county does not have much population growth given the amount of land reserved for agriculture. The population growth is happening in East County and we have many students who live there going to classes in TP/SS and Rockville, and some going to Germantown. In 2019 MC was asked by the County Executive to explore a campus in East County.
- They did a feasibility study to explore market analysis and determine the value MC could provide to East County.
- It will be set up like GBTC but the ECEC will be 4 times bigger – 55,000 SF. It's more than just a center, it's going to be a campus in East County. We will be the only tenant in the building and it has a dedicated parking lot for the building. There is a Ride On stop in front of the building.
- They are aiming to begin operations at ECEC in fall 2023, classes and services will be phased in based on community interest.
- The East County Community Engagement Center will move to ECEC. There will be credit and noncredit classes, and several services will be located in the building.

New Business

Nothing raised.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

None raised.

Announcements & Adjournment

- Counseling will be switching to a drop-in only option soon on Zoom. Students enter the waiting room and wait for a counselor to let them in. This typically continues until a week into the return in January.

Meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

Next Meeting

December 20, 2022 at 3:00 P.M.

Jessame Ferguson
Student Services and Success Council Secretary