



**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES**  
**Montgomery Community College, Rockville, Maryland**  
**April 28, 2008**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Board of Trustees of Montgomery Community College met in public session on April 28, 2008, in the Trustee Board Room, Central Administration. The Chair of the Board called the regular public meeting to order at 7:40pm.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Present: Trustees Roberta Shulman, Chair, Michael C. Lin, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair, Stephen Kaufman, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair, Gene Counihan, Sylvia Crowder, Jong-on Hahm, Gigi Godwin, Reginald Felton, and Student Trustee Cristian Barrera

Present Ex-Officio: President and Secretary/Treasurer Brian K. Johnson

Absent: Trustee Owen Nichols

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Trustee Kaufman moved to approve the revised agenda; Trustee Hahm seconded. The motion passed and the agenda was approved by the Board.

**IV. MINUTES**

Trustee Hahm moved to approve the minutes of the March 17, 2008 public meeting; Trustee Crowder seconded. The motion passed and the minutes were approved by the Board.

**V. COMMENTS PERIOD**

Four speakers provided comments to the Board. Ms. Stella Bagot, an adjunct lecturer, Mr. Alan B. Stover, adjunct faculty member, and Mr. Seth Dietz, student, spoke in favor of adjunct faculty seeking union representation. Dr. Robert Lynch, College employee, spoke on behalf of Ms. Kathy Williams, College employee, against the policy on restriction on tobacco use and sale of tobacco products at the College.

**VI. RECOGNITIONS**

**BR# 08-04-26 Retirement Recognition and Award of Silver Medallion to  
Mr. William Campbell**

**BR# 08-04-27 Retirement Recognition of Ms. Marie Takahashi**

On motion by Trustee Felton; seconded by Trustee Hahm, the motion passed.

Dr. Brian Johnson, president, provided remarks on the life and service of Mr. William Campbell at the College. He noted that most people know Mr. Campbell and he has provided exemplary service to the College for over 27 years and he is always available when we call.

Trustee Hahm complimented Mr. Campbell on his tan; Trustee Kaufman indicated that no one could do it better than Mr. Campbell and he answered all of his tough questions; and Trustee Lin indicated that Mr. Campbell was indispensable and liked the way he worked with people. Trustee Crowder echoed the sentiments of the other Trustees and Dr. Johnson and wished Mr. Campbell the best; Trustee Counihan commented and noted that he is a very nice man; Trustee Godwin thanked him for making it look so easy; Trustee Felton thanked him for his service to the College and the County; and Trustee Shulman noted that Mr. Campbell is a consummate gentleman.

Mr. Campbell provided comments and reminded everyone what the College means to this County, the students, and organizations in the community. He thanked Dr. Johnson and former presidents for the privilege to serve and he loved the faculty, staff, and Boards that he have worked with over the years. Montgomery College is number one and he always enjoyed coming to work. He thanked everyone very much for their support. Mr. Campbell thanked Dr. Johnson and the Board for the recognition and indicated that it had been a privilege to work for Montgomery College. Dr. Johnson and Trustee Shulman presented Mr. Campbell with the silver medallion, framed resolution, and retirement gift.

Ms. Pat Mehok provided remarks on behalf of Ms. Marie Takahashi and indicated that she was a true ambassador for the College. She demonstrated professionalism and was always fun to be around and had a loving personality.

Ms. Takahashi thanked the Board and provided comments. Dr. Johnson and Trustee Shulman presented Ms. Takahashi with the framed resolution and retirement gift.

## **VII. REPORTS**

### **A. President's Report to the Board**

Dr. Johnson commented on the service learning project that occurred during spring break with students from the Germantown Campus where their alternative spring break was a trip to Biloxi, Mississippi, where they worked with Habitat for Humanity of the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Dr. Johnson thanked everyone for their advocacy efforts and thanked the Trustees for their support. The College should know in mid-May what it will receive from the County. The Governor has signed off on the capital budget for the Rockville Science Center. Dr. Johnson reported that he began the listening tours on the Rockville Campus today. He indicated that he will need to continue these routinely, and he recognized Dr. Shartle-Galotto for the On Her Shoulders We Stand award received at the Women's Studies Program Annual Scholarship Award Breakfast. He recognized Trustee Barrera for making the all-Maryland Academic Team.

## **B. Trustee Information Reports**

Trustee Kaufman commented on the Actual and Projected Credit Enrollment Report and indicated that the College was in for a wave.

## **VIII. CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **BR# 08-04-28 Personnel Actions Confirmation Report**

### **BR# 08-04-29 Request for Approval, Emergency Medical Services A.A.S. Degree and Certificate**

### **BR# 08-04-30 Request for Approval and Statewide Designation of Polysomnography Technology Certificate**

On motion by Trustee Lin; seconded by Trustee Felton, the motion passed and the Board approved and adopted the Consent Calendar.

## **IX. BR# 08-04-31 Adoption of the Trust Agreement and Investment Policy for the Other Post Employment Benefits Program**

On motion by Trustee Hahm; seconded by Trustee Felton, the motion passed and the Board approved agenda item number IX.

Mr. Moore provided comments and indicated that the agreement needed to be implemented this fiscal year. The College must recognize the liability as it goes forward. The resolution explained what was done. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board guidelines were followed. He is asking the Board to approve the irrevocable trust. The College must get credit for money already set aside.

## **X. BR# 08-04-32 Capital Budget Fund Transfer, Goldenrod Building Renovation Project**

On motion by Trustee Hahm; seconded by Trustee Godwin, the motion passed and the Board approved agenda item number X.

Trustee Kaufman indicated that the matter was thoroughly reviewed by administration and all aspects of the project were reviewed.

## **XI. BR# 08-04-33 Increase in Tuition Rate per Credit Hour**

On motion by Trustee Felton; seconded by Trustee Hahm, the motion passed and the Board approved agenda item number XI.

Dr. Johnson indicated that anytime the Board recommends a tuition increase, it is only after a lengthy process has been reviewed.

## **XII. BR# 08-04-34 Honorary Degree Candidates**

On motion by Trustee Crowder; seconded by Trustee Lin, the motion passed and the Board approved agenda item number XII.

Dr. Johnson commented on the candidates.

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### **XIII. BR# 08-04-35 Policy on Restrictions on Tobacco Smoking and Sale of Tobacco Products**

Trustee Kaufman indicated that this policy troubled him and he is not a smoker. He indicated that he would abstain from the vote. It is very troubling to restrict people.

Trustee Counihan ask how did the policy recommendation come about. Dr. Judy Ackerman, Vice President and Provost Rockville Campus, provided comments. She indicated that the old policy was impossible to enforce and there was lots of pressure from student groups. She indicated that she was getting lots of letters from students about health issues. Colleges around the country are moving in this direction and the hospitals in Montgomery County have implemented this kind of policy.

Trustee Shulman asked how the policy will be enforced. Dr. Ackerman indicated that there would be campus advocates working at the beginning of each semester to inform the campus community. Student violators will be reported to the deans of students and employees' supervisors will be notified for disciplinary actions.

In response to Trustee Counihan's question, the policy will apply to everyone on campus. In leased facilities, if there are other tenants in the building, the policy will not be enforced. There are some groups opposed to policy, but not huge groups of people.

In response to Trustee Felton's question, the language has been cleared by general counsel.

Trustee Hahm indicated that hospitals and many other environments are going this way.

On motion by Trustee Counihan; seconded by Trustee Felton; the motion passed and the Board approved agenda item number XIII. Trustee Kaufman abstained from the vote.

Copies of all Board Resolutions for this meeting are attached in the Record of Resolutions.

### **XIV. New Business - None**

### **XV. Adjournment**

In compliance with the Annotated Code of Maryland, Title 10-508, subject to Chapter 655 of the Laws of 1991, the Chair announced that the Board voted to hold an Executive Session April 28, 2008, when one site matter (subsection 3) – Germantown and Rockville Campus updates were discussed; one collective bargaining matter (subsection 9), and three personnel matters (subsection 1) – silver medallion recommendation, celebration of former employee, and presidential compensation were discussed.

Motion was made to adjourn at 9:00pm.

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Roberta F. Shulman  
Chair, Board of Trustees

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Brian K. Johnson  
President and Secretary-Treasurer,  
Board of Trustees

Recorder: Arlean B. Graham