

MONTGOMERY COLLEGE GOVERNANCE
Faculty Council
December 5, 2024

Attendees

- **Members present:** Amanda Darr, Megan Van Wagoner, Miriam Zemen , Alla Webb, Joseph Stumpf, Tamesha Robinson , Anestine Theophile-LaFond, Diego Hernandez , Linda Robinson, Brenda Knopp, Brandon Wallace, Kimberly Driver , Stephanie Landon, Harry Singleton, Antonio Del Castillo-Olivares
- **Proxies present:** Anestine Theophile-LaFond for Marianne Wysong (TPSS Faculty Senate), Anestine Theophile-LaFond for Pierre Harges (TPSS Faculty Senate)
- **Members absent:** Angela Ingram, Vijay Advani
- **Guests:** Rosa Garcia (ATPA), Jeri Gresham (Counseling and Advising, TP/SS), Carolyn Terry
- **Council Liaison:** Dr. Price
- **Governance Director:** Clevette Ridguard

Call to Order

The regular meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm by Anestine Theophile-LaFond, co-chair. There was a quorum to conduct governance business.

Approval of the Agenda / Minutes

The agenda for today's December 5 meeting was. Motion by Diego Hernandez , seconded by Harry Singleton.

The Minutes for November 7 2024 and November 21 were tabled and will be shared electronically. This meeting was recorded for internal use only.

Constituent Concerns

At this time, guests were invited to speak by Brenda Knopp
Presenter: Linda Robinson

For our next faculty meeting, I would like to bring up a constituent concern. I would like to know what the College administration is planning to do in order to prepare for the possible impact of Trump's expected immigration policy changes on our undocumented students and families. Immigration allied organizations are sounding the alarm on how this could impact our college campuses, a topic that was recently addressed by an MC organization of which I am a member, called MC ALAS that advocates for Latino student concerns. Members of that organization asked me to present this concern to the Council. I would like the Council to consider making a formal inquiry to our College administration as to what is being done to prepare for these anticipated changes that may be detrimental to the future wellbeing of our undocumented students.

Rosa Garcia supported Linda Robinson concern.

Co-Chair's Report: Co-Chair's report presented by Co-Chair Amanda Darr. Highlighted general announcement from the college community. The report is attached to the minutes.

Guest Speaker : Dr. Williams

Committee Reports * See Supporting Documents for full reports

- **College-wide Curriculum Committee (CCC): Harry Singleton**
 - Last meeting was on 11/15/2024
 - The CCC finalized two administrative initiatives to provide consistency in the course catalog:
 - Replaced outcomes starting with “Demonstrate an understanding of ...” with “Demonstrate knowledge of ...” (or other variation with similar descriptiveness).
 - Replaced ranges in credits for numerous programs in the catalog, e.g., 18-20 total credit hours to 18 total credit hours.
 - The deadline is March 7, 2025, to submit revisions to the 2025 catalog (other than simple editorial corrections). Faculty are advised that if there are pending revisions to courses or programs they should contact a CCC CAP or email Harry Singleton.
 - Friday is the last CCC meeting for the Fall 2024 semester. The meeting will be held in person at 2:00 pm in Rockville's SC 152.
- **General Education Standing Committee (GEC): Presented by Kimberly Driver**
 - Last meeting was on 11/22/2024; Report is attached
- **Academic Regulations Committee (Regs): Diego Hernandez**
 - 12/13 – next meeting; Academic Regulations Committee had not met since last Faculty Council Meeting
- **Campus Reports**
 - Germantown Faculty Senate – Tamesha Robinson
GT Senate does not have a faculty yet. Working on recruiting faculty.
 - Rockville Faculty Senate – Antonio Del Castillo
Next meeting 12/12. We are going to propose spring semester theme how we can help students with immigration situation. We are going to invite : Kimberly Jones Hernandez
 - TPSS Faculty Senate– Presented by Anestine Theophile LaFond

Senate has a full membership and will start meeting regularly. Senate co-chairs: Marianne Wysong and Pierre Harges . Membership :identified secretary.

Faculty Council Business:

- Other Business
- December 19 Faculty Council Meeting

Vote to cancel : 14 yes

Next Meeting is on February 6. Motion by Brenda Knopp, seconded by Tamesha.

- Update on Nominating MHEC FAC Process (Anestine Theophile LaFond)
- Faculty Council 2024-2025 Goals Updates (Anestine Theophile LaFond)

ADJOURNMENT:

- Motion by Brenda Knopp, seconded by Tamesha. Motion to adjourn at 1:03 pm.

**Any presentations or supporting documents shared at this meeting will be available on the Faculty Council AY 2024-2025 Teams site.*

Meeting adjourned at 1:53 pm

Respectfully submitted by

Alla Webb, Faculty Council Secretary