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## MONTGOMERY COLLEGE GOVERNANCE

Germantown Campus Council

May 2, 2017

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3:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.

### Attendees

- Members present: Tonya Baker,\* Britney Green,\* Jennifer Haydel, Allison Kraft, Mary Robinson, Kelly Rudin,\* Harvey Stempel,\* Chris Verdak, Norma Winffel
- Members absent: John Billos, Weiss Hamidi, John Hamman, Pauline Kelly
- New 2017–2018 members present: Diane Chapin, Maurice McCambley, Don Newlin
- Leader Liaison: Margaret Latimer

*\* Denotes current members who are also members of the 2017–2018 council.*

### Call to Order

Chair Norma Winffel called the regular meeting to order at 3:07 p.m. The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

### Constituent Comments

None

### Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the April 4, 2017, meeting were approved by unanimous consent.

### Provost's Report

Margaret Latimer thanked Norma Winffel for her service as chair. She updated the council on year-end activities honoring students and thanked them for their work leading up to the events.

Her report also included the following updates and reminders:

- The open house for MCPS families on April 24 had a smaller turnout than hoped, but those who attended left with good things to say about the College and left with a better understanding of what we have to offer here.
- Facilities projects are on track.
- A virtual tour of campus is expected to be available by late June or early July for students unable to visit.
- A translational life sciences technology program has been approved. The program is a partnership between MC and UMBC. Third- and fourth-year classes will be offered (taught by UMBC faculty) in the BE Building.
- The collegewide spring closing meeting is May 17, and the campus closing meeting is May 18.
- Dr. Pollard's final Civility in Action: Dialogues Across Difference conversation is May 8 on the Germantown Campus. The focus is on immigration.

### Chair's Report

None

### Election of 2017–2018 Officers

Tonya Baker was elected chair of the Germantown Campus Council for 2017–2018. Britney Green was elected vice chair and Harvey Stempel was elected secretary.

### Review of Constituent Concerns from the Year/Goals

Norma Winffel reviewed the council's annual goal plan and the action item tracking chart. Council members noted several items that may need further action. In particular, the following issues were noted:

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- When council members raise questions or concerns with presenters about a particular subject (e.g., Workday), who follows up to ensure those questions and concerns have been addressed? The challenge is to make sure that the guests and presenters hear Council concerns in addition to disseminating information.
  - A suggestion was made that the provost address the significant concern about class cancellations at Germantown during the campus closing meeting. The council discussed the need to look at scheduling through a wide variety of lenses, including the impact on part-time faculty and other resources within the College, the academic consequences of course scheduling and cancellations, as well as holistic approach to scheduling that combines humanities questions and concerns with data analysis.

### **Announcements & Adjournment**

Norma Winffel encouraged the new council to attend the governance training in August.

Kelly Rudin raised the issue, which was discussed at the 2016 governance training, of finding ways to engage students so they stay on campus. Tonya Baker noted that creating comfortable spaces for students, such as the new furniture in the BE Building and some outside gathering spaces, is part of the plan.

Meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

Jennifer Haydel  
Germantown Campus Council Secretary