

Montgomery College
Germantown Campus Council
Meeting #6 Minutes
Thursday, March 7, 2019
2:00 – 4:00 PM
PK 105

Attendees

Members Present: Surayya Johnson, Paul Jenkins, Margaret Latimer, David Bollinger, Rebecca Razavi, Sharon Anthony, Gaganpreet Kaur, Amanda Darr, and David Sowards

Guests: Tonya Baker

Call to Order

Chair Surayya Johnson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

The agenda was reviewed and approved, and the minutes of the February 5th meeting were approved.

Constituent Concerns/Comments

1. CONSTITUENT CONCERN #1: Amanda Stroud thanks the campus Facilities Office for moving the campus mailbox to a safer position.
2. CONSTITUENT CONCERN #2: Rebecca Razavi raised a concern about small businesses and entrepreneurs being charged to park while attending an event on campus. Vice Chair Paul Jenkins indicated this fee is probably in error and advised Rebecca to contact James Ray, Associate Director of Public Safety and Emergency Management, Germantown campus.
3. CONSTITUENT CONCERN #3: Professor Kelly Rudin voiced a concern about the recent Equity & Inclusion survey. She asked how the Germantown campus will respond to the survey's results. She also pointed out that, while the survey was intended to represent views of the MC community, it did not include student voices. Finally, she commented that the Equity & Inclusion Summit is scheduled for the last week of class which will negatively impact attendance. Sharon Bland, MC's Chief Equity and Inclusion Officer, will attend the Council's next meeting and will be available to respond to these comments.

Nominations & Elections

Council members were encouraged to nominate colleagues to participate in the governance system and to consider running for the chair and vice chair offices. (See the addendum to the minutes.)

GT Campus Council FY 19 Goal Plan Progress

1. Food pantry donations continue to be collected. Boxes have been located throughout the campus, and Student Life will continue to promote the food pantry drive and competition. Tracking lists will be posted inside the pantry to record donations. (See the addendum to the minutes.)
2. Council members were asked to volunteer to help with the March 30th Germantown Campus Community Day. Council members volunteered to serve as the lead point persons to organize the tables in the tents, to staff the MC Information Table, to run the games, and to supervise the campus tours.

Germantown Campus 40th Anniversary Community Day

Tonya Baker described the many features of the Community Day's event, including department tables, fun inflatables, a petting zoo, face painting, a Cybersecurity hacking challenge, athletic skills lessons in volleyball, basketball, baseball, and cheerleading offered by MC student athletes, performances sponsored by the Black Rock Center for the Arts, a demonstration of the DaVinci Machine, many food vendors, prize drawings throughout the day, and the MC Raptor.

Campus employees are asked to serve as the leads for several aspects of the Community Day, and all volunteers will receive an MC t-shirt as well as participate in a prize drawing. Volunteers are asked to attend an 11 a.m. orientation for an overview of the day's activities as well as a review of safety issues and information.

Tents will be set up in the quad. Volunteers may unload supplies in the circle in front of HS and park in the lot behind HT. Chairs are asked to advise any professors who teach Saturday classes to prepare for extra noise, commotion, and parking challenges on the day of the event. No parking permits will be required that day, and signs will announce there will be no parking tickets issued throughout the day.

The goal of the Germantown Campus 40th Anniversary Community Day is to emphasize our value in the Germantown community and to help justify our budget requests to the County.

Provost's Report

SA building construction is on track for June occupancy.

An emergency generator will be installed in the PK building over Spring Break.

The Office of Public Safety will be announcing a college-wide lock down/evacuation drill during the spring semester. Discussion continues regarding the lock-down posters currently posted on the MC campuses. There are new signs being designed to more accurately reflect the "Run, Hide, Fight" approach to emergencies, emphasizing different responses being required in different emergency situations. There will be discussion about placement of the new posters.

The Equity and Inclusion Summit will be held on the Germantown campus on April 30th, and students, faculty, and staff are invited to attend. There will be follow-up discussion on all campuses regarding the Equity & Inclusion Survey results, as well.

Chair's Report

- Montgomery County Health & Human Services, Montgomery County Collaboration Council, and MC's Office of Student Life are jointly presenting the "Know the Risks: About Opioids" event on April 2, from 2-4 p.m. in BE 151, to share facts about the nationwide opioid crisis. Faculty are encouraged to offer extra credit to students who attend the event, and faculty and staff can earn diversity credit for attending.
- A Dining Etiquette workshop will be offered to students on Wednesday, March 27th, from 4-6 p.m. in HS 011. This event is free to students, but they must register in advance. Faculty and staff are also invited to attend.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

ADDENDUM TO THE MEETING'S MINUTES Submitted by Chair Surayya Johnson

Constituent Concern

It has been brought to the chair's attention that the constituent concern regarding the current lock-down posters is still a concern and has not been fully resolved. Public Safety and Emergency Management Director Harrison has communicated that she would like to address the questions and concerns at one of our remaining meetings. Updates will follow.

Food Drive Competition Update

1. Tally sheets have been officially posted on the food pantry cabinets.
2. Chair Surayya Johnson has submitted our food competition information to *InsideMC* and the digital signage. Unfortunately, they had to limit the information and pictures.
3. Student Life has posted signs throughout the campus to promote the food drive.
4. Student Life will post (for the second time) information about the food competition on its social media accounts after Spring Break. Academic departments are encouraged to post information on their social media accounts, as well.
5. Surayya Johnson will send an email about the food drive competition to the entire Germantown Campus after Spring Break.

Governance Nominations

The nominations are in! If Council members know of any colleagues that have been nominated, encourage them to accept. Council members are encouraged to consider running for Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary for the academic year 2019-2020.

Meetings

Council members are reminded to email Surayya Johnson if they cannot attend the Campus Council meetings and to send a proxy in their place.