MONTGOMERY COLLEGE GOVERNANCE

Rockville Campus Council October 11, 2023 via Zoom 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Attendees

 Current year members present: Katherine M. Goldstein (Chair), Cathy Henley (Vice Chair), Ar Kar Kyaw Win (Secretary), Tendai Johnson, Hoa Nguyen, Shelly Jablonski, Dayana Silva Molo, Alvin Trask, Dayan Grero, Yvette Taylor, Ida Britton (Dr. Eric Benjamin), Melanie Michelle Carpio Nolivos, Sergio Washington (Guest Speaker), Amal Alsufyani.

Call to Order

- The regular meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chair Katie Goldstein.
- The meeting was recorded for internal use only.
- There was a quorum present.
- The meeting began with roll call.

Constituent Concerns

Dayana:

- Water fountain pressure low in Humanities, Science Center, and Technical Center
- Health Room air conditioner is bad. Classroom might need a fan.
- TAA Building has mold and dust throughout the building.
- SV Doors have wires coming out that the student noticed
- Vending Machine in SV (2nd Floor) and Humanities are not working properly.
- Lights in TV Production room in TC do not work. Students said they need to change classroom.

Cathy:

• Ackerman Learning Center, David Burkhart brought to the council that ink machines/WEPA printing machines do not work.

Arkar:

 Elevator access in Student Service Building – Disability Service Office on third floor – since elevator is not working: created issue.

Katie:

- Vending machine SV on the Third floor.
- The door next to entry in SV building, button to open the door rarely works.

Provost's Report

Ida Britton is filling in for Dr. Benjamin.

Ida Britton is the administrative manager in the VP Provost Office.

VP Provost is attending a Maryland State Department of Education meeting.

Ida will inform VP Provost about the accessibility issues in the SV building.

Chair's Report:

The Mental Health Fair was held yesterday.

50 volunteers from different departments across the Rockville Campus worked at the event. At least 700 students attended the fair.

350 students turned in their passports, which means that they visited at least six of the eight stations.

The data from the passports is being processed by the vendor.

The Provost Office provided 90 pizzas for the event.

The Dean's Office paid for the pizzas.

The Provost Office provided T-shirts for all the volunteers.

The Student Art League helped to organize the graffiti board.

The graffiti board is now hanging in the Office of Student Life.

A video from the Mental Health Fair was shown.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

The Maryland Male Students of Color Conference is coming up on October 20th please promote this event.

Safe Zone Trainings, Mobile Market, MC Athletics, Crisis and Personal Resources.

• The Rockville Campus Council is adopting the Mobile Market on November 8th and is seeking volunteers.

The fall sports season is nearing its end, with sophomore nights for the soccer teams this Thursday. All three teams—men's and women's soccer and volleyball—are expected to advance to the playoffs.

SHaW Center Updates and Mobile Market

- Summary of Sergio Washington, Student Affairs Initiative Program Manager, Student Health and Wellness (SHaW) Center for Success
- The Shaw Center provides basic needs and security assistance to students, along with other services. They also organize a Mobile Market on each campus once a month on Wednesdays (RV), which is open to everyone.
- A new mental health program manager has been onboarded. (Brandon Muncie)
- The Social Resource Program is actively supporting students with individualized case management and providing emergency funding.
- Flu shots will be available to students later this month.
- Personal safety education events will be held throughout the month.
- The Shaw Center will be transitioning to a new space in the spring semester.
- The pantry will be expanded and will offer meats, dairy products, fresh fruits, and vegetables.
- The pantry currently sees around 200 to 300 students per day and runs out of food around the second week of the month.
- The Shaw Center is always looking for additional grants and support to help provide basic needs for students.
- The Shaw Center sends out information about events and resources to faculty and staff each month.
- The Shaw Center has food lockers on each campus that students can register for to receive food items, hygiene products, and menstrual items.

- The food lockers are accessible to students at any time, even if the buildings are locked.
- Students can contact the Shaw Center if they have any questions about the food lockers or other resources.
- Q: Can I sponsor the Mobile Market? Yes, you can sponsor the Mobile Market by having your organization or group volunteer for a market. You can volunteer for as little as 30 minutes or for the entire three hours that the market is open.
- Q: Can I donate food or money to the Mobile Market? You cannot donate food to the Mobile Market. The food that is distributed at the market comes from the cafeteria food bank. However, you can donate money to the Shaw Center through the foundation.
- Q: How can I donate food or money to the food pantry? You can donate food to the food pantry by bringing it to the Student Services building on the third floor, SV 316. You can also donate money to the Shaw Center through the foundation.
- Q: Is it tax-deductible to donate to the Shaw Center?
- A: Yes, it is tax-deductible to donate to the Shaw Center.
- Direct any questions to Sergio Washington.
- The Rockville Campus Council is adopting the Mobile Market on November 8th and is seeking volunteers.
- Volunteers can sign up for a shift on Signup.com.
- Volunteers should sign up for at least a half-hour shift.
- Volunteers are encouraged to reach out to their constituencies to find other volunteers.
- Volunteers will be responsible for handing out food to students and community members.
- Volunteers will also have the opportunity to interact with students and community members.
- Volunteers are encouraged to wear MC gear to promote their department or area.
- Volunteers will receive thank yous from students and community members.
- Volunteers will have the opportunity to listen to good music while they work.
- The Mobile Market is a great opportunity for students and community members to receive free food.
- The Shaw Center is a valuable resource for students who need food, mental health support, and other basic needs assistance.
- The Rockville Campus Council is committed to supporting the Shaw Center and the Mobile Market.
- Volunteers are needed for the Mobile Market on November 8th.
- If you have any questions about the Mobile Market or the Shaw Center, please contact Sergio Washington.

Rockville Campus Report Out

- The HSI Task Force and the NRP planning group are hosting an event to celebrate Hispanic and Asian cultures and partnerships on November 14th from 5-7 PM in the SV Building on Rockville Campus.
 - The event will be family-friendly and will feature food, live music, a drum circle, and a panel discussion with local businesses.
 - The organizers are looking for Hispanic and Asian American business owners who would like to participate in the event.

- The IT Security Group is hosting Phishing Awareness Week to raise awareness about phishing scams.
- The IT Security Group also provided a speaker and microphone for the Mental Health Fair.

Rockville Campus Library Updates:

- The library recently held an event to raise awareness about banned books.
- The library staff created a guide to banned books in conjunction with the event.
- The library typically extends its hours during midterms to provide students with a quiet space to study.
- The library is aware of the increased anxiety that students may experience during midterms and is prepared to provide additional support.

A Summary of the Announcements From the Rockville Campus Council meeting:

- The Rockville Campus Library is planning to extend its hours during midterms to provide students with a quiet space to study.
- The library is also aware of the increased anxiety that students may experience during midterms and is prepared to provide additional support.
- The History Department, Criminal Justice Department, and Humanities Department are hosting a course carnival on October 31st to help students pick their classes for the spring semester.
- Advising Day for the entire college is next Tuesday, November 17th.
- Many departments are doing special events for Advising Day, including the General Studies Department, which is hosting an open house to teach students about transfer, study skills, and academic planning.
- The minutes from the September meeting were attached to the email for this meeting. Please bring any corrections to the next meeting.

Minutes Approval:

Katie requested any corrections Motion to approve the minutes was give Cathy to approve Amal seconded.

Adjourn

- Arkar Kyaw Win motioned to adjourn. Cathy Henley seconded.
- Meeting adjourned at 3:00