MONTGOMERY COLLEGE

# Rockville Campus Council

Friday, September 11, 2026
Microsoft Teams
10:00 AM – 11:15 AM

Attendees:

- Members present - Auksuole Rubavichute, Elizabeth Huergo, Emily Peterman, Cynthia Edwards, Katherine Hubley, Magda Jean-Louis, Jin Khademi (Chair), Gregory (Greg) Downs (Secretary), Adetoro (Toro) Oladokun (Vice Chair), Abigail Worth
- Proxies present - Ramica Allen (as proxy for James Gillis)
- No Members excused
- Invited Guests: Dr. Muhammad Kehnemouyi (Council Liaison/RV Campus Dean), Dr. Alice Santoro (Interim Governance and Policy Manager)

Call to Order

- The regular meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Chair, Jin Khademi.

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes from the last meeting were approved as sent out.

Constituent Concerns

- Abigail Worth – noticed large plants blocking walkways near Campus Center towards the Student Services building, difficult to get around. A friend mentioned difficulty in finding charging station on campus, maybe additional charging stations (phones, laptops, etc.).
- Jin Khademi – parent notified Writing center staff about ADA compliant ramp/walkway outside Humanities building, large gap made it unable for transporting an enrolled summer camp student with a disability.

Campus Dean's Report

- Dr. Muhammad Kehnemouyi highlighted several summer activities:
- Public Safety: Participation in the June Public Safety Award ceremony and the Special Police Officer Class Graduation, presenting the “Lifesaving” award. Rockville Mayor and City Manager attended.
- Student Programs: The late June "Montgomery Can Code" weeklong summer camp held on the Rockville Campus, where 400 middle school students from MCPS developed apps using Apple's Swift language. One student developed an e-commerce app!
- Community Events: Hosted the Salvadoran Festival on August 2nd as well as a community partnership breakfast (with MC Community Engagement August 12th). Multiple monthly Mobile Markets were also hosted on campus, handing out food to community members in need.
- New Student Welcome: Orientation events for incoming freshmen at Rockville on August 13th and first-day-of-class greetings August 31st in the quad (alongside

Counseling and Student Life).

Chair's Report

- No report. Goals for the upcoming year were discussed under New Business.

Unfinished Business

- No unfinished business.

New Business

- Ramica Allen (attending as proxy for James Gillis, administrator in Facilities) provided an update on facilities updates and concerns:
    - **ADA Compliance:** A gap in the amphitheater walkway near the humanity building was reported; facilities will expedite a fix to ensure ADA compliance.
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    - **Campus Accessibility:** Large plants blocking walkways near the student services building will be reviewed for relocation.
    - **Charging Stations:** IT will install additional charging stations in student-friendly areas and lobbies.
    - **Elevators:** A new vendor has been hired, and older elevators (specifically in the HU building) are being prioritized as part of a capital project.
- Members discussed potential annual goals for the council, two options being two main objectives or one/two goals:
    - **Wayfinding:** Updating and improving signage both inside and outside campus buildings to assist students and visitors.
    - **Student Success:** Identifying and highlighting meaningful internal internship and learning opportunities across campus, utilizing social media and other communication channels.
- A motion was made to suspend Robert's Rules of Order, which was seconded and approved, which allowed for earlier information about governance from Dr. Alice Santoro, and more open discussion about wayfinding/student success goals.
- Dr. Santoro mentioned more information about governance opportunities and professional development:
    - **Micro-credentials:** New "Engagement" and "Leadership" badges are available to recognize governance work, ethical decision-making, and leadership.
    - **Governance Review:** A formal assessment of the 12-year-old participatory governance model is underway, involving upcoming surveys and focus groups.
    - Jin Khademi mentioned inviting Dr. Christine Crefton (Educational Resources Program Manager) to present at an upcoming meeting with more information.

**Greg Downs (Secretary)** made a motion at **11:15 AM** that the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded and passed with unanimous support.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted by
Greg Downs, Rockville Campus Council Secretary