
MONTGOMERY COLLEGE GOVERNANCE

Takoma Park/Silver Spring Campus Council

March 7, 2017

CF143 (Cafritz Art Building)

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Attendees:

- Members present: Cathy Wilson (proxy for Alice Boatman), Ivonne Bruneau-Botello, Jeff Chuang, Mary DeMellier, Vickie Drake, Leopoldo Elias, Richard Nalley Marton, Tilandra Rhyne, Karin Rodney-Haapala, James Sniezek, Laurie Williams
- Members absent: Raven Salaam, M. Bess Vincent (proxy for Heather Satrom)
- Guests: Brad Stewart, Ja'Bette Lozupone, Dr. Kim Washington-Watson, Noah Saposnik

Call to Order

Chair Laurie Williams called the meeting to order at 11:01 A.M. with a quorum present. The meeting agenda was reviewed, and two corrections were made and noted (Achieving the Promise presentation moved forward and the Pantry presentation was postponed until next meeting). The agenda with corrections were approved unanimously. The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and approved with no changes.

New Business

Guest Ja'Bette Lozupone from the Achieving the Promise Academy came to the Council and discussed:

- Staffing of the ATPA, introducing Dr. Kim Washington-Watson and Marie Arthus, and how the coordinators rotate across the campuses. Marie's "home campus" is TP/SS and she will be on site Mon, Wed, Fri in P4 building. However, people can reach out to any coordinator.
- Questions were asked:
 - Is this the end of the first year cohort? It is the end of the 2nd year of the Academy, however changes were made to the program, so this is the 2nd semester of the new program.
 - What kind of students/what is the process? To enter into the Academy, students are referred (can self-refer or have faculty refer AFTER talking to the student to get their buy-in), there is a form on the ATPA website. Students must:
 - Be currently enrolled
 - Need academic support
 - Committed to completing their academic program
 - The program is holistic and in depth, so coaches look into things like anticipated graduation dates, hours taken, financial situation, personal life situation, look out for barriers to complete education, etc...
 - What are differences between ACES and ATPA? ACES is designed for students coming from high school, while ATPA is more open. There are no minimum credit hours or GPA required. Both programs seek to serve underrepresented students, however ATPA has more windows of opportunities to join (several spots in fall, spring, and summer). ATPA students take a self-assessment online, and to join, have to agree to the Terms of Agreement: have to meet advisors, attend workshops, meet coach weekly (who review course loads and recommend support, as well as contact faculty to get progress reports). ATPA coaches help prepare students who are meeting counselors to make the meetings productive. ATPA students stay in the program as long as they meet ToA.
 - Goals? Goal is to have 12-1500 students in program, currently can accommodate 120 students, but still not at full capacity. Looking to increase positions to help increase capacity.
 - Can a student refer another? Yes, but not through the formal online process. Better to talk with the student and get them to self-refer through the website.

Open Comments (Constituent Concerns)

- Laurie Williams brought forth 2 issues from constituent Lorraine Hutchins:
- Announced there will be a consent workshop for students on 4/18 from 11AM-1PM.
- Announced there will be a distribution of ACLU/CASA flyers on campus forthcoming.

Campus Provost Report

Brad Stewart presented to the council:

- Staff Enrichment Day is a week from the meeting. Food trucks will be debuting, which was an idea that came from student senate, which would like to see food trucks on campus. This has not been able to be done, so perhaps this is the first step.
- Wednesday (3/8/17): Patricia Hill Collins, 6:30 PM in CM
- Presidential Dialogues about Civility: Next one is Thursday 3/9/17 at RV (MoCo Police Chief discussing community and police), two more to follow (3/30 and 5/8)
- Wednesday (3/8/17): Budget Forum for the College at Blair High School at 7 PM. If go, consider testifying about the need for both capital and operating budgets.
- Second budget forum will be held on Wednesday, 3/15/17 in CM at TP/SS.
 - Goal would be to have at least 10 students and 10 faculty to attend this one, as it is during Spring Break
- On 3/6, Dr. Stewart is heading to Annapolis to support the President in her efforts to get funding
- On 3/9, Dr. Stewart has been invited and will attend a seminar about ICE/travel/immigration and hopefully will be getting the newest/latest information about these important topics. There will be a legal clinic set up in April for people affected by these EOs and immigration changes.
- Next week is Spring Break, so please take a break and enjoy.
 - Question: will there be other forums that are more open on this topic? Dr. Stewart did not know.

Guest Noah Saposnik from Montgomery College Foundation came and spoke to the Council about:

- The Foundation has many different funds set up that can be contributed to, including an employee emergency fund, a student emergency fund, and scholarships.
- They gave approx. 2000 scholarships in 2016, which is reflecting a year over year increase trend. However, they are still having to turn students away.
 - Generally, the funding represents \$1-1.5K scholarships per student.
- Staff have a couple of ways they can contribute:
 - Payroll deduction
 - One-time gift
 - Donations are tax deductible
- Last year they launched MC70 to get new contributions which was successful and they funded a dozen new scholarships
- Will be launching a new MC70 campaign starting on March 20. Goal=70 new contributions.
 - Ice cream party at end of year for employees who give to the Foundation.
- Can also set up a new scholarship in someone's name- \$76 a pay period over 5 years.
 - Can be spread out among several colleagues if want to make a team effort
 - EX: Former LDI participants joined together to form a scholarship
- Can any student apply for a scholarship? Each has its own requirements, but there are unrestricted scholarships handled by Paty Lopez.
- Which scholarship/fund needs the most help? Student Emergency Assistance and ACES are both in need of funds.
- Does the Foundation prefer unrestricted funds? Yes, as they can be directed to most need.

Staff Enrichment Day

- Registration is currently open, and closes on 3/10. There are 2 parts to the registration: the full event and then the workshops.
 - Must register for the full event to get a lunch ticket.

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- There will be collection boxes for ACES for new/gently used business attire for the Dress for Success program. They will be available through the end of the month at locations on campus (check Inside MC).
 - Event locations will be spread across CF, HC, and CU on the West Campus, due to weather forecast. Food trucks will be the only thing outside.
 - Food truck will be serving breakfast (first come, first served, while supplies last).
 - Menus will be posted on SED website.

Chair's Report

- Laurie attended the College Council last week (next meeting is 3/28) and they:
 - heard a presentation about the Middle States Committee, who is asking for the College to please sign up for one of the meetings taking place.
 - Discussed the patterns of meetings, and recommended a proposed change for January meetings (to be at the discretion of the chairs of councils).
 - Cathy Wilson brought up that AAUP had brought up to the Council in the past that meeting in January when faculty are not working yet was a problem.
- Bess is not here today to discuss the food pantry, so that is tabled until next month.

Campus Council Spring Activities

- There are 2 more meetings left for this term of the Council.
- Reviewed Annual Plan:
 - Goal 1, felt it was met. Upcoming luncheon on 3/20 in ST 301 from 12-2 with student leaders. If have questions for this event, please send to Laurie. As well, have shared student events with Council/constituents.
 - Goal 2: Communication: met with email alerts and posted minutes in timely fashion.
 - Bulletin boards: there are 2 (one in ST and one in HC) that Laurie has kept updated. Electronic monitors are difficult, as there is not a central control over them, and have to locate individuals in departments. Question was raised if there was a need for a communications committee, but was felt that was not needed. Jeff offered to gather information about the panels and report back.
 - Goal 3: looks good
- Staff Picnic is scheduled for the end of the semester. Question about what Campus Council wants to do for it. There will only be a small amount of the budget left (less than \$140), which does not leave much for the picnic. Do we want to highlight the accomplishments of the Council through a highlights board?
 - Jim suggested trying to hold a raffle in coordination with donations to the MC70 campaign. Issue raised about the appropriateness of using these funds for this. Laurie said she would check on if it was possible, and that we have a bit of time to brainstorm.

Old Business

Montgomery College Travel Procedures

- Laurie reached out to HRSTM about the travel issue, and they recommended contacting Office of Business Services who handles travel. Laurie is waiting for OBS to respond, but handed out the P&P relating to College-related travel to review.

Announcements

- No new announcements

Adjournment

Laurie Williams adjourned the meeting at 12:30 PM.

Submitted by

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