MONTGOMERY COLLEGE GOVERNANCE

TPSS Campus Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 13, 2023
Zoom
1:30PM – 3:30PM

Attendees

Members Present: Jona Colson, Jeri Gresham, Diana M. Benson, Alice Santoro, Sonja Jackson,

Schnell Reed Garrett, Lesley Brown, Bonita Parker, Yvette Taylor (Additional

Attendees: Dwayne Henry)

Proxies: William Curvey

Members Absent: Fenet Shertaga, Kimberly Fouche, Stephanie Banks, Debbie Juneja, Ghasala

Imane Mohamed

Invited Guests: none

Liaison: Dr. Brad Stewart

Call to Order

The regular meeting called to order at 1:32pm by Chair, Alice Santoro

Approval of Agenda/Minutes

Motion to approve minutes. Minutes stand approved. Motion to approve agenda. Second. Agenda approved as written.

Constituents Concerns

None

Provost's Report

Two homework assignments were presented by Dr. Stewart. #1. Strategic Plan Refresh – the pandemic changed and Dr. Cain is leading the effort to review and revise the current strategic plan. Please join Dr. Cain on February 20, 2023 at 1pm in HS 222 for the Strategic Plan Refresh Forum. Also, encourage others to attend. #2. Spread information assignment – signage about the moving the Library to Pavilion 1 and writing center to the ground floor of the Commons (Academic Success Center) The library is up and running on the 1st floor.

Dr. Stewart sent Alice a handout from the 10-year-old TP/SS facility master plan. Every ten years a new master plan must be submitted to the state in order to receive capital funds from the county and the state. Please consider what should be done with Science North, the Math Pavilion (once vacated for Leggett). Consider creative ideas. The meetings for the master plan will begin next month. Some ideas that have been offered include a recreation facility with parking, demolition and turn things into green space, consider departments that need spaces and buying the storage facility, tear it down and turn it into a campus facility to name a few.

Vending machine concerns discussed. No vending machine in P3 or lower-level of the commons. The only vending machine is in ST. Alice will contact Ali about a vending machine in P3

Welcome and Introductions of Incoming and Outgoing Council Members

Welcome Back Diana Benson. Thank you Richelle for serving as proxy. Fenet Shertaga has rejoined the council as a student representative. Welcome back Fenet.

Chair's Update

Start of the Semester Check: Montgomery County Police are back and Public Safety is making more rounds in the garage.

Vending machine closer to P3

Wayfinding challenges with closing of the resource center

Recommendation to use QR codes

How can the council get involved so that evening classes are located closer to resources or in the same building (for safety)?

Do we still have lighting issues? Jona says that the lighting is good; Alice says that the lighting has been good and lighting has been added

Discussed the police presence out of the campus. What message does it send to students? What are the council's thoughts? Public Safety can't enforce streets or parking, Montgomery County Police has the authority Alice will discuss surveying about the police presence with Dr. Stewart.

Most additional updates will come from the College Council meeting.

Herf funding for students affected by the pandemic – job loss, grief, must be related to the pandemic. Funds can be used for technology and supplies and textbooks. Contact the Dean's office by Friday. Students must apply for the funds.

Nominations are open for Governance.

Staff Enrichment Day – March 15th services are suspended until 2pm.

Operating systems are being upgraded. Remember to change your passwords.

Mobile Markets - volunteers are needed. We will identify a date for the council to volunteer.

Your voice survey – please complete survey and encourage others to complete.

Please promote the new MC Wellness website.

Mental Health Awareness Week is the week of April 24th. The Mental Health Fair is April 26, 2023. Kimberly Jones is coordinating and we will support again. Alice will follow-up with details.

Anti-racism Badge Cohort starts in February. You can register in Workday.

The posters from last year can be brought to the Mobile Market.

Annual Goals

Kimberly Fouche, Jeri and Fenet are assisting Schnell with Goal 1. Schnell needs to follow-up with the group.

Jona is waiting on the update side for the website.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

None

Announcements

Schnell needs volunteers to help pack bags for Manna Sacks. You can email her with your availability to assist and for additional information.

Does anyone from Student Life visit classes and give a mini presentation? Yes, please contact a Student Life Staff member to arrange.

Can Student Life consider having coffee available in the evening? Schnell will discuss with Kimberly and follow-up.

Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 3:06pm.

Respectfully submitted by Schnell Reed Garrett TPSS Campus Council Secretary