

Montgomery College
Takoma Park/Silver Spring Campus Council

Meeting Minutes

Date: October 10, 2025
Time: 4:00 PM – 5:53 PM
Location: Zoom

1. Call to Order

Chair Jason A. Bruffy called the meeting to order at 4:08 PM. The meeting was open to the college community. Transcript recorded for minute preparation.

2. Roll Call

Present: Jason A. Bruffy (Chair), Prof. Jamila Aswad, Prof. Heather Satrom, Suzette Spencer (Campus Dean), Fred Rebhun, Marjorie Davis, Matthew Banh, Michael Booker (late arrival).
Absent: Jennifer Hadel
Quorum met.

3. Approval of Previous Minutes

No minutes available for approval. Prior meeting lacked quorum.

4. Campus Dean's Report – Suzette Spencer

Highlights included:

- **MC Day (Oct 21):** Advising, resource fair, virtual/on-site sessions, stipends, and family engagement.
- **Veterans Day Event (Nov 11):** Cultural Arts Center, 10 AM–12 PM, featuring State Senator Smith.
- **Facilities Updates:** New marquee on Georgia Ave/East-West Hwy (goes live Oct 15); pedestrian safety project at 410 & Chicago Ave.

5. Election of Officers

Vice Chair: Jennifer Hadel nominated (Fred Rebhun) and seconded (Jamila Aswad); motion passed unanimously.

Secretary: Position tabled for future appointment.

6. Chair's Report – Jason A. Bruffy

Topics covered:

- College Council Theme: Inclusive, Intentional, and Impactful Governance.
- Bookstore Redevelopment: Listening sessions forthcoming.
- Key Dates: Inclusion by Design Summit (Nov 7), Humanities Days (Oct 27–31, Denice Frohman performances), Staff Enrichment Day (Mar 18, 2026), Alumni Social (Oct 15).
- Strategic Plan: Focus on academic excellence, student retention, and equity.

7. Council Goal Discussion

Council discussed potential goals:

- **Wayfinding & Signage:** Need for clearer campus navigation; Facilities updating master plan.
- **Gathering Spaces & Café Hours:** Interest in extended café hours and reopening coffee shop areas.
- **Outdoor Commons Revitalization:** Proposal to reimagine teaching space near library into a 'mini-quad.'

Motion: Adopt Outdoor Commons Revitalization as 2025–26 goal. **Moved:** Satrom; **Seconded:** Rebhun; **Approved:** Unanimously.

8. New Business

Future guest presentations to include:

- Ali (Facilities Director) – Signage and projects update.
- Mick Golrick – Bookstore Redevelopment & Slingshot Program.

9. Announcements

Next meetings: November & December. Calendar invites and agendas forthcoming.

10. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Jamila Aswad, seconded by Heather Satrom. Meeting adjourned at 5:53 PM.

Minutes prepared by Chair Jason A. Bruffy. Draft for approval at next meeting.