1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees of Montgomery College met in open session on December 10, 2012, in the Trustee Board Room, Mannakee Building, Rockville, Maryland. The open session meeting was called to order by the chair at 8:10 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Trustees Stephen Z. Kaufman, chair, Reginald Felton, 1st vice chair, Marsha Suggs Smith, 2nd vice chair, Constantine Apergis, Gloria Aparicio Blackwell, Kenneth Hoffman, Michael Knapp, Leslie Levine, and Benjamin Wu

Absent: Trustee Michael Priddy

Present Ex-Officio: President and Secretary/Treasurer Dr. DeRionne P. Pollard

Resource Staff Present: Dr. Stephen Cain, chief of staff/chief strategy officer

Ms. Arlean Graham, board relations coordinator

Ms. Cathy Jones, senior vice president for administrative and fiscal services

Dr. Donald Pearl, senior vice president for academic affairs

Mr. David Sears, senior vice president for advancement and community engagement

Mr. Rocky Sorrell, general counsel

Dr. Beverly Walker-Griffea, senior vice president for student services

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Trustee Smith moved to approve the agenda; Trustee Felton seconded, and the agenda was unanimously approved by the Board.

4. COMMENTS PERIOD

There were no speakers for the comments period.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Smith moved to approve the minutes for the month of November, closed and open sessions; Trustee Hoffman seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved by the Board.
6. REPORTS

A. President’s Report to the Board

Dr. Pollard provided brief remarks on her report, which focused on the FY14 budget development process. She indicated that the three broad components of the budget focused on continued fiscal prudence and stewardship; alignment with the College’s goals and objectives; and a commitment to our employees. Additionally, the College will be reviewing the budget as it relates to talent management, Montgomery College as a destination employer, the common employee experience, advocacy, and accountability.

Trustees’ comments focused on Maryland’s Cade formula funding, communicating with the governor, supporting new programs, extending entrepreneurial enterprises, looking at best practices at other institutions, and becoming a data-driven institution. Trustee Kaufman noted that many comments revolved around the process of change for the College.

B. Chair’s Report

Trustee Kaufman commented on the dedication of the Paul Peck Academic and Innovation Building on the Germantown Campus, formerly the Goldenrod Building.

Trustee Levine, chair of the Board’s Budget Committee, provided a brief report. He noted that the committee met with Senior Vice President Jones and Dr. Pollard at the end of November to discuss the budget process, the budget philosophy, the cost to educate model, construction of the budget under the One College model, and the alignment of budget initiatives with the strategic plan, Montgomery College 2020. Trustee Levine reported that the committee will meet again in early January.

Trustee Blackwell, chair of the Board’s Academic and Student Services Committee, reported that the committee is scheduled to meet this week. She spoke about the charge to the committee in its support of student services at the College.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

   BR# 12-12-096 Personnel Actions Confirmation Report

On motion to approve the consent calendar by Trustee Felton, and a second by Trustee Smith, the Board approved the consent calendar by unanimous vote.

8. RECOGNITION

   BR# 12-12-097 Recognition of Professor John Hamman, Maryland Professor of the Year

On motion by Trustee Knapp, and a second by Trustee Felton, the motion passed unanimously and the Board approved and adopted the above resolution.

Professor Hamman provided brief comments and thanked the Board and Dr. Pollard for the recognition.
9. CONTRACT MODIFICATION  
BR# 12-12-098 Amendment to Sole Source Award of Contract, Course Scheduling Assistant Software  

On motion by Trustee Smith, and a second by Trustee Blackwell, the Board unanimously approved the resolution.  

Trustee Smith thanked staff for implementing the new procurement resolution format, and Trustee Felton expressed comments about sole source awards of contracts. Dr. Pollard noted Trustee Felton’s concerns and reported that this particular contract was awarded appropriately and the amendment was justified.

10. POLICY MATTER  
BR# 12-12-199 Retirement of Policy 44001–Funding of Athletics and Student Life  

On motion by Trustee Knapp, and a second by Trustee Felton, the Board unanimously approved the resolution.  

Dr. Pollard reported that the policy is no longer necessary and funding of athletics and student life is not done in this matter after the implementation of the One College model.  

Trustees provided comments and asked questions about new activities and sports programs, and the distribution of funds.

11. NEW BUSINESS  

Trustee Knapp provided comments about the need for a venue in the county for public forums where people from around the country can come to speak on various topics. He noted that Montgomery College 2020 talks about the development of this type of venue. Trustee Knapp noted that the time is right and requested Dr. Pollard to explore how the College can create such forums for any number of issues and see if this can be done within the next few months.  

Dr. Pollard noted that there is an important need for this in the community and that she would begin to investigate the request.  

Trustee Kaufman noted that this was a great idea. The College must have an outline, look at the costs involved, consider bringing other groups in the community into the fold, and the need to be deliberate.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS  

There were no announcements.

13. ADJOURNMENT  

In compliance with the Annotated Code of Maryland, Title 10-508, subject to Chapter 655 of the Laws of 1991, the chair announced that the Board voted unanimously to convene a closed session on December 10, 2012, in the Trustee Board Room, Mannakee Building, Rockville, MD, at 6:15 p.m. to receive legal advice on three matters (subsection 7); to discuss a personnel
matter (subsection 1); to discuss a real property matter (subsection 3); and to discuss a collective bargaining matter (subsection 9).

On motion by Trustee Felton to adjourn, and a second by Trustee Levine, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

Stephen Z. Kaufman  
Chair, Board of Trustees

DeRionne P. Pollard, PhD  
President and Secretary-Treasurer, Board of Trustees

Recorder: Arlean B. Graham