

Montgomery College Rising Professionals Association
Community Engagement and Events Committee
Tuesday, November 15, 2 PM – 3 PM
Zoom

In attendance: Tracey Smith-Bryant, Vanessa Ade, Sean Wright, Nghi Nguyen, Ramon Valenzuela, Elysse Meredith

Agenda

1. Previous event debrief:
 - a. October 22: Summers Farm
 - i. Fun but small group
 - b. October 27: Halloween Zoom
 - i. In the future: let's make it longer! 1.5 hours!
 - ii. Excellent turnout – definitely a demand for Zoom events
 - c. November 2/9/16: Mobile Markets
 - i. Great Rockville turnout (Vanessa, Beth Reilly, Nghi, Christine)
 - ii. Elysse repped at Germantown
 - iii. Takoma Park tomorrow!
 - iv. Best quote: "It was priceless" (Vanessa)
 - d. November 9: Axe-Throwing
 - i. Small but fun turnout (8-9)
 - ii. Good once-a-year event; try weekend next time
 - iii. Suggestion to alternate locations between Columbia, Frederick, and Crofton
2. Upcoming events:
 - a. December
 - i. Holiday Potluck
 1. Thursday, December 8, 12 PM – 2 PM
 2. Location: Mannakee 122 (RV)
 3. Leads: Vanessa, Tameka
 4. Updates on:
 - a. Room
 - i. Booked 11-3 for setup/cleanup
 - b. Sign-ups – currently at 5
 - c. Food
 - i. Vanessa will bring drinks and ice
 - ii. Christine and Elysse will fill in whatever needs to be filled
 - iii. Elysse will provide label cards
 - d. Decorations
 - e. Music!
 - i. Room has speakers
 - f. Games – well set and planned!
 - i. Gingerbread house competition (15 minutes)
 - ii. Saran wrap game (~10 minutes)
 - iii. Request for a non-skill-based game or activity

1. Suggestion: Pin the Nose on the Snowman; cutting snowflakes
 - g. For Tameka and Vanessa: please reach out with ANY questions or any way that the team can lighten the load
 - b. Winter Calendar (December, January, February)
 - i. It's beautiful!
 - ii. We will figure out how to share it ASAP
 - c. January
 - i. Zoom Chat and Chill
 1. Theme/activity ideas: resolutions, poetry night, 5 minute meditation
 2. Discussion: relaxation, centering, balance, center, recharging – getting ready for a new year!
 - a. Make a list from the discussion
 3. A Proper Chill (when it's Chilly)
 - d. February:
 - i. X Weeks of Love
 1. Interoffice Valentine's?
 2. Create a calendar with ways for everyone to give back to MC
 - a. Food pantry, clothes drives, MC Foundation
 3. "Capstone" in-person event (lowkey, coffee and chat sort of thing)
 - ii. Valentine's Day / Paint and Sip?
 - iii. Virtual Scavenger Hunt?
 - iv. Origami roses with Nghi?
 - e. March:
 - i. Promote Local Study Abroad (March 11/12 (weekend), Harriet Tubman Byway In-Country Study-Travel, which EAP will pay for)
 - ii. Games night?
 - f. April
 - i. Pre-Retreat Vision Board/Yearbook Page event? (or have in March)
 - g. May
 - i. Nghi does origami (as part of AAPI Heritage Month)
 - h. Other Spring Ideas
 - i. Food/clothes drives
 - ii. Wellness Events
 1. Resources: Megan Cooperman (Wellness), Stephanie Will (SHaW Center)
3. Other Business
 - a. Teams Site
4. Radar:
 - a. Summer: backpack/back to school drive and/or classroom sponsorship
 - b. Start collecting baby/family pictures in general so we can always play the Guess Who > Teams Site!
 - c. Yearbook pages > work with Retreat Committee to be part of the event

Events Ideas

- Arts Night/Talent Show

- Bowling
- Karaoke
- Virtual Scavenger Hunt
- Poetry Night
- Museum Day
- Hiking
- Olney Winery
- Coffee Breaks
- High Tea
- Game Nights / Gaming Tournament
 - Jenga/Connect Four/Board Games (GIANT ON THE LAWN?! :D)
- Kickball/Frisbee
- Jackbox Games (Zoom)
- Escape Room
- Quiz Night (Hyflex)
- “Giving Back” events
 - Sligo Creek cleanup
- In-person lunch breaks with a “Zoom in”