

# MC GOVERNANCE

## Montgomery College College Council Meeting #9 Minutes

Tuesday, March 07, 2023

1:00 – 3:00 PM

Zoom Meeting

### **Attendees**

*Present:* Kimberly Jones (Chair), Shakenna Adams-Gormley (Vice-chair), Katherine Goldstein (Secretary), Joe Marshall, Swechchha Shrestha, Amanda Darr, Alice Santoro, Dana Baker, Rabbee Awan, Jamin K. Bartolomeo, Sergio Washington, Paul Miller, Matthew Wilson

*Absent:* Jon Pointer

*Proxy:* Dana Baker for Jon Pointer

*Guests:* Dr. Jermaine F. Williams, Sharon Wilder, Dr. Nancy Newton, Michael Harting, Dr. Sanjay Rai, Joyce Matthews, Dr. Meghan Gibbons, Dr. Monica Brown, Sherwin Colette, Dr. Michelle Scott

*Liaison:* Dr. Stephen D. Cain

*Governance Director:* Dr. Clevette Ridguard

### **Call to Order**

There was a quorum to conduct business. Kimberly Jones (Chair) called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm. The meeting was recorded for internal use only.

### **Constituent Concerns**

Swechchha Shrestha, Student Council Chair, brought forth a concern requesting Montgomery College to have a mandatory online orientation for students. Swechchha thinks this would help students with the resources the College offers like the learning centers and smart thinking. Kimberly Jones, College Council Chair, this concern is noted she will report back to the College Council how we plan to move forward on this request.

### **Approval of Agenda and Minutes**

The agenda was approved as written. The minutes for February 28, 2023 meeting were approved as written.

### **Presidential Greeting (Dr. Jermaine F. Williams, President)**

Dr. Jermaine F. Williams welcomed back the College Council and thanked them for their hard

work and dedication to our students. Dr. Jermaine F. Williams reported that he has been able to touch bases with the students through the Wraps with Williams. He spoke of how he appreciates the conversation and listening to their concerns. Dr. Jermaine F. Williams reported this is a busy time, I have attended the Advocacy legislative meetings, (State delegation, our County Council) these meeting bring forth the needs of our College and the need for continued funding. He reported he attended the Montgomery Scholars event last night.

**Equity and Inclusion Updates (Sharon Wilder, Chief Equity and Inclusion Officer and Dr. Nancy Newton, Grants Manager PACEI Chair)**

Sharon Wilder presented a PowerPoint presentation to view, visit the Governance Blackboard Community. Sharon Wilder encourage the College Council to attend Equity Week events April 10 – 13, 2023 <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/about-mc/equity-and-inclusion/equity-week.html>.

**Emergency Management Preparedness Updates (Michael Harting, Emergency Management and Outreach Coordinator)**

Michael Harting is the new Emergency Manager. He started with the College last July 2022. Michael Harting would like to schedule to present an hour-long presentation of emergency preparedness. Michael Harting has met with several of the College Community. Michael Harting is working with the Student Life Directors to do a virtual training with students on emergency preparedness. Michael Harting reported he is the First Aid, CPR and A.D. Instructor for the American Heart Association. Michael Harting reported he will be teaching and bringing all of the Public Safety staff up to their proper certification levels. Also, this training will extend to the students, faculty and staff. Michael Harting reported he is working on a large project, replacing all the exterior signage for the blue light poles the emergency lighting poles on the exterior of the buildings. He is currently working with the Montgomery County Police and Fire department to visit and tour the Montgomery College's campuses to become familiar with our space. In the near future they will offer external defibrillator memorization class, and also a fire extinguisher familiarization class. Information on the courses will be posted on the Montgomery college website. [www.montgomerycollege.edu/emergency](http://www.montgomerycollege.edu/emergency).

**Chair's Report (Kimberly Jones, Chair)**

- 2022 – 2023 College Council Theme – Helping to create institutional transitions and transformations for student success.
- Montgomery College Governance Nominations & Elections.
  - Nominations: February 27 – March 8
  - Elections: March 29 - April 7

For more information, visit <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/about-mc/governance/index.html>.

- Save The Date: Special Antiracism Training Tuesday, April 4, 2023 2:00 pm – 4:00pm, zoom invite and link coming soon.
- Staff Enrichment Day – Takoma Park Silver Spring Campus, March 15, 2023 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.
- Innovation Fund Grants \$40,000.00, faculty, staff, administrations and students are eligible to submit proposals. The deadline to apply is Monday, March 21, 2023.

- Montgomery College Got Talent Show, March 23<sup>rd</sup> 6 – 9 pm The Performing Arts Center (PAC) on the Rockville Campus. For questions please contact [mcrssenate@gmail.com](mailto:mcrssenate@gmail.com) .
- Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month Kickoff Festival, Wednesday, April 26, 2023, Rockville Campus, Theatre Arts (TA) Arena, 11 am – 2 pm. For more information contact [APAHPanningCommittee@montgomerycollege.edu](mailto:APAHPanningCommittee@montgomerycollege.edu) or visit <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/events/asian-pacific-heritage>.
- Commencement – Friday, May 19, 2023, at 10 am on the Rockville Campus. More information visit, <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/commencement> .
- Fairytales On ICE – Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup> 7:30 pm The Cultural Art (CU) Rockville Campus. For more information visit, <https://allevents.in/silver-spring/fairy-tales-on-ice/10000411554660067>.
- Women’s and Gender Studies Events Spring 2023 visit, <https://wmst.gmu.edu/events>.
- Interpretation and Translation Services at Montgomery College, if interested, please contact Karla Silvestre – [karla.silvestre@montgomerycollege.edu](mailto:karla.silvestre@montgomerycollege.edu) .
- Montgomery College Health Sciences, Saturday, April 29, 2023 for more information, contact [Kathy.dayton@montgomerycollege.edu](mailto:Kathy.dayton@montgomerycollege.edu) .
- Student Activities During Open Education Week for more information visit, <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/offices/elite/open-education-week.html> .
- Montgomery College Foundation Seeks up to two Student Board Directions – Applications are being accepted from Montgomery College students one-year term from July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024. For more information/requirements contact Sandra Arez [Sandra.arez@montgomerycollege.edu](mailto:Sandra.arez@montgomerycollege.edu) .
- Mobile Market please volunteer for date and location contact [Sergio.washington@montgomerycollege.edu](mailto:Sergio.washington@montgomerycollege.edu).

**Governance Information (Dr. Clevette Ridguard, Governance Director)**

Dr. Clevette Ridguard and Kimberly Jones, thanked the Staff Council for their food drive in February. Dr. Clevette Ridguard thanked all the members past and present who participated in the open Forum sessions to engage in questions on how to get involved in Participatory Governance.

**Announcements and Council Updated**

- Amanda Darr, Germantown Council Chair and Dana Baker, Faculty Co-Chair reported information on the Transfer Fair on the Takoma Park Silver Spring Campus 101 students attended, the Rockville Campus 202 and Germantown Campus there were 40 representatives and Rockville had 44 representatives.
- Rabbee Awan, Workforce Development & Continuing Education Chair, reported that some of the WDCE council members would like to volunteer with the Mental Health Fair. Rabbee also reported on the increase of participation of attendance of the WDCE council meetings.
- Katie Goldstein shared the date and time for the men’s basketball and the women’s basketball game.
- Board of Trustee Meeting is on March 22<sup>nd</sup> (Dana Baker volunteered to attend).

- Board of Trustees meetings date and time, zoom links, minutes visit, <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/about-mc/leadership/board-of-trustees/index.html>.
- Paul Miller, Employee Services Chair reported on the COVID-19 email that went out to the college community. The email gave a reflection of our journey for the last 3-years. The email addressed an opportunity to come together and talk about our experiences, and how the college adapted to change. Please check it out and send the email out to your constituent groups.
- Dana Baker, Faculty Co-Chair reported on Mental Health an email will be sent out to the College Council. Dana Baker also mentioned a book entitled To Stress Profiler and suggest the Council read the book.
- Sergio Washington, Student Services and Success Council Chair reported on an opportunity for students, faculty and staff to better understand the resources available to the college community.

**Adjourned**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10p.m.