

## MONTGOMERY COLLEGE GOVERNANCE

### Faculty Council

Mar. 5, 2026

#### **Attendees:**

- Members Present: Jana Anderson, Juan Esparza-Trujillo, Diego Hernandez, Heather Hughes, Barbra LaPilusa, Lucia Li, Carlos Molina, Tamesha Robinson, Atul Roy, Harry Singleton, Maria Sprehn, Megan Van Wagoner, Brandon Wallace, Charmaine Weston
- Members Absent: Richard Shaw, Sally Silberman, Rachel Sullivan
- Proxies: Tamesha Robinson for Joe Stumpf, Charmaine Weston for Diego Hernandez, Charmaine Weston for Richard Shaw.
- Guests: Carla Ammerman, Elizabeth Benton, Amanda Darr, Anestine LaFond, Susan Madden, Hoa Nguyen, Yvette Taylor, Carolyn Terry
- Council Liaison: Carolyn Terry for Deidre Price
- Governance Director: Clevette Ridguard

**Call to Order.** The regular meeting was called to order by Tamesha Robinson, Chair, at 12:02. There was a quorum to conduct governance business.

#### **Approval of Minutes.**

Brandon Wallace moved to approve minutes as written. Charmaine Weston seconded. (actually no motions to approve or second)

#### **Constituent Concerns.**

Charmaine Weston responds to earlier concern. “Cards” used in MyMC landing page should be coordinated ordered according to one’s role at the college. Options presented for those who find unenrolled students on their classlists. Doctor options. Access to students off campus can be facilitated through MS Teams. Explanatory videos are being put together. Math class credit going from 5 to 4. No new constituent concerns.

#### **Academic Affairs Update.**

Carolyn Terry reports for Dr. Price who is at the Achieving the Dream conference in Oregon. Updates on two year academic schedule and the revision process. Academic catalog imminent; still working on a few transfer agreements, hopefully in time for the catalog (April 10). Updates on some student award winners.

## **Guest Speakers.**

Susan Madden, Chief Government Relations Officer, reports on Montgomery College advocacy; county priorities with capital budget and operating budget; MC has not asked for new money in four years 6.3 million in new dollars being requested. Capital funds designated for Theatre Arts renovation, for the RV library renovation, and for GT Student Services Center Advocacy schedule presented along with relevant county council education committee members.

Carla Ammerman, manager for employee development and engagement, requesting volunteers for sabbatical leave committee with some details about the nature of the committee work.

Elizabeth Benton, Dean of English and Reading, updates on AMP goal 2 (subcategories: program maps, full implementation of Ad Astra, scheduling framework, honors and early college program maps; instructional sites).

## **Chairs Report.**

Chair Tamesha Robinson reports. Full report will be submitted on Faculty Council Teams site.

## **Committee Reports.**

- RV Faculty Senate. No meeting held. Next RV faculty senate meeting 3/26.
- GT Faculty Senate. No report.
- TPSS Faculty Senate. No report.
- Curriculum Committee. Harry Singleton reports. CC met 2/20 no proposals presented; meeting 3/6 – 12 proposals up for vote and large number of proposals on consent calendar. 3/6 is the last opportunity for new course/program revisions for catalog. 4/3 is the deadline for new shelved courses or administrative changes. Catalog goes live 4.10. Only editorial changes thereafter.
- General Education Committee. Maria Sprehn reports. Committee met 2/27, approved one proposal, ECON 201. Continued work on simplifying recertification forms. Continued working on the spring showcase (April 10) with a panel of employers addressing Gen Ed skills in workforce. Also, the impact of AI on Gen Ed education is also being addressed.
- Academic Regulations Committee. Diego Hernandez reports. Dr. Price has given final approval for A.R. 6.6 (disputed final course grades), approved by FC in the fall. No meeting held. 2/27 meeting of AR committee. Academic Appeals committee membership question revisited. Original design proposal reflecting Academic Affairs restructuring resubmitted Megan Van Wagoner motioned to approve the proposal, Jana Anderson seconded. Proposal approved: 14 Yeas, 0 nays.

## **Additional Business**

Discussion of President's latest report with solicitations for potential future speakers to FC. Suggestions included Enrollment management and HSI report and current status.

Middle States committee soliciting feedback for their draft.

**Adjournment.** Diego Hernandez moves to adjourn. Barb LaPilusa seconds. Council meeting adjourned 1:54.

■ *Any presentations or supporting documents shared at this meeting will be available on the Faculty Council AY2025-26 Teams site.*

Respectfully submitted, J.Stumpf