

MONTGOMERY COLLEGE GOVERNANCE

Rockville Campus Council

November 08, 2023

via Zoom

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Attendees

- Members present: Katherine M. Goldstein (Chair), Cathy Henley (Vice Chair), Jin Khademi (Sub. Ar Kar Kyaw Win), Liz Melanson (sub for Tendai Johnson), Shelly Jablonski, Dayana Silva Molo, Dayan Grero, Melanie Michelle Carpio Nolivos, Ramica Allen, Clevette Ridguard

Call to Order

- The regular meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m. by Chair Katie Goldstein.
- The meeting was recorded for internal use only.
- There was a quorum present.
- The meeting began with roll call.

Constituent Concerns

- **Maintenance Concerns**
 - The water fountain next to Science Center Room 460 not working properly.
 - Ceiling inside Room 460 is falling; picture available for reference.
- **Internet Connectivity Issues**
 - Internet service not reliable; experienced slow speeds. Many users unable to access internet, particularly in certain areas; including Theater Arts, Science Center, and SB Building. Situation has been fluctuating over the past week.

Cathy Henley made a motion to move up Agenda Item #6 up to Now. Liz Melanson made a second motion. Proceeded with agenda Item #6

Spiffy Closet Project

- Founded by Debby Safra to address the lack of a clothing closet at Montgomery College Rockville (SC106 and 107).
- Collaboration with Professor Semper, Ms. Libby, and Ms. Lisa from Student Life Program.
- Program established over 6-8 months, with significant turnout in previous events.
- Aiming to provide basic attire and necessities for students in need.
- Survey results indicate strong support and necessity for the project.
- Originated from a project in Professor Semper's class; supported by Dr. Benjamin.

- Open for donations; drop-off available anytime.
- QR code provided for access and donations.
- Location: Science Center, Rooms 106 and 107.
- Hours not fixed yet; updates provided via promotions and QR code.
- Dr. Benjamin to support upcoming clothing drive on November 28th.
- Appreciation for support and spreading awareness.
- Email dsafra@montgomerycollege.edu for further inquiries.

Cathy Henley made a motion to return to the original agenda order. Liz Melanson made a second.

Minutes Review

Correction for October's Constituent Concerns

- First page under constituent concerns 'D' in Vending Machine need to be deleted
- The next line, 'Class Room' needs to be one word.
- In same paragraph, 'Class Room' needs to be one word.
- In second page, under Shaw Center updates and Mobile market, second bullet point, change every Wednesday to 'First Wednesday of each month'.

Approval of Minutes with Corrections

- October 2023 minutes were approved with the corrections that Cathy Henley has made. Katherine Goldstein motioned to approve.

Provost's Report:

- There is no Provost's Report.

Chair's Report:

Portraits of Life Exhibition: Liz Melanson

- Series of portraits of Holocaust survivors from Montgomery County.
- Opening event on Wednesday November 15th, 5-7 PM, Sarah Silverman Gallery.
- Special guests including President Williams and county council members. The exhibition is open from November 14th to December 15th.
- QR code is available for more information and live streaming option.

Winter and Spring Registration

- Registration is open for winter and spring courses.
- Winter classes start in December and January, primarily online.
- Opportunity to catch up on credits or register for spring classes.

Shaw Center Events

- Monthly Virtual Housing Clinic on the first Wednesday of each month.
- Coordinated by a licensed social worker, part of Shaw's social resource program.

Mobile Market Volunteer Appreciation

- Thanks to volunteers for supporting the mobile market.
- Opportunity to assist faculty, staff, and community.
- Goal to support two mobile markets per year.

Safe Zone Trainings

- There are three training classes remaining this semester at Rockville campus.
- Recommended for all interested individuals, free to attend.

Toy Drive with Rockville Student Life

- Donate toys until December 5th at Student Life or Student Services building.
- Donation box located near Starbucks.

Additional Announcements

- Update from the Shaw Center regarding increased frequency of Virtual Housing Clinic.
- Safe Zone training is available for all interested individuals.
- Reminder about ongoing toy drive with Student Life and Student Government Association.

Upcoming Events

- One mobile market remaining on December 13th.
- Men's and women's basketball schedules are available at mcraptors.com.
- Recognition of Veterans Day and appreciation for veterans' service.
- Wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and expressing gratitude for their service to Montgomery College.

Agenda Motion

- Cathy Henley made a motion to move up agenda item number eight (updating constituent concerns) up for discussion. Liz Melanson

New Business

Update to Constituent Concerns:

Network Issues Update

- Buildings experiencing network issues: Theater Arts, Science Center, SB Building, Macklin Tower, and Computer Science Building.
- IT representative assigned to investigate and provide an update by the next meeting.

Elevator Issues Update

- Elevator outages are being monitored with a weekly report.
- Requests to be added to the report can be made to the Facilities Help Desk.
- Current elevator issue addressed.

Low Water Fountain Pressure in Humanities

- Work order ticket assigned to address the issue.
- Appreciation for assistance in identifying concerns.

Air Conditioning in Health Room

- No air conditioning system, only exhaust fans.
- Work order placed to address ventilation.
- May need additional clarity on this.

Mold in TA Building

- Further details are needed to address the concern.
- Environmental safety contacted for assessment.

SV Building Concerns

- Wires protruding from doors are low voltage antennas, no safety issues.
- Elevator and entry door issues repaired.

Ackerman's Learning Center Girls Bathroom Sink

- Not previously listed but noted and work ticket to be created.
- Contact information provided for expedited requests.

Appreciation for Facilities Department

- Acknowledgment of outstanding service and commitment to addressing concerns promptly.
- Assurance of follow-up and accountability from Ramica.
- rvfacilitieshelpdesk@montgomerycollege.edu is the email address for any concerns the council and or college community may have on Rockville campus.

Vending Machines

- Vendors contacted to address issues with vending machines.

Tech Center

- A ticket has been created for lighting in the TV production room.

Printer Update

- Successful updates on the printers. Has been repaired follow up will be done by Cathy.

Childcare Concern

- Received constituent concern regarding the absence of a childcare center at Rockville campus.
- Forwarded directly to Dr. Benjamin for further consideration and response.
- Proposal to potentially involve the operational council in addressing the issue.
- Acknowledgement of Dayana's advocacy and effective communication in raising concerns.

It's great to see proactive engagement in addressing constituent concerns! Keep up the excellent work.

MC Men's and Women's Basketball Season

Basketball Team Captains' Visit

- Talia from the Women's Basketball Team:
 - Described the team's dynamics and goals for the season.
 - Highlighted the importance of balancing academics and athletics.
 - Mentioned upcoming home games and encouraged support from the community.
- Will Tchatchoua, and Jayden Rowe from the Men's Basketball Team:
 - Discussed the team's composition and aspirations for the season.
 - Shared personal experiences as student-athletes.
 - Invited attendance to upcoming games and a pep rally.

Upcoming Events

- Pep Rally: Scheduled for Friday from 2 to 5 PM, with potential activities such as a dunk contest and a three-pointer contest.
- Basketball Games: Scheduled for Saturday at 7 PM and Sunday at 5 PM. All are encouraged to attend and support the teams.
- Schedule can be found here: <https://mcraptors.com/sports/wbkb/2023-24/schedule>

It's fantastic to see the enthusiasm and dedication of the basketball teams, as well as the support from the campus community.

Announcements

None

Adjourn

- Cathy Henley made a motion to adjourn. Shelly Jablonski seconded. Motion approved.
- Meeting adjourned at 3:03 PM