



BOARD OF TRUSTEES PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
Board Room, Central Services Building, 9221 Corporate Boulevard, Rockville, Maryland
In-person or via Zoom Webinar • Webinar ID:945 6860 3164
March 20, 2024

A. CALL TO ORDER–PUBLIC VOTE TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

Board Chair Brintnall called a brief public meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. for the sole purpose of voting to go into closed session. A roll call of trustees was taken to establish a quorum.

B. ROLL CALL–PUBLIC VOTE TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

Trustees Present: Trustee Michael A. Brintnall, Chair
 Trustee Frieda K. Lacey, First Vice Chair
 Trustee Gloria Aparicio Blackwell, Second Vice Chair
 Trustee Sheryl Brissett Chapman
 Trustee Annice Cody
 Trustee Judy Docca
 Trustee Omar A. Lazo
 Trustee Robert F. Levey
 Trustee Maricé I. Morales
 Trustee Rishi G. Nixon

C. MOTION TO CLOSE SESSION

Board Chair Brintnall announced that pursuant to the General Provisions Article 3-305(b), the meeting would be closed only to:

- consider matters related to collective bargaining negotiations with AAUP, AFSCME, and SEIU – subsection 9, and
- conduct three administrative functions.

Trustee Levey made a motion to close the meeting. Trustee Morales seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

No members of the public had any objections to closing the meeting..

Statutory authority	Topic description	Persons present for discussion	Action Taken
3-305(b) Subsection 9	To consider matters related to collective bargaining negotiations with AAUP, AFSCME, and SEIU	Trustees; president; chief of staff/chief strategy officer; general counsel; senior vice presidents; board staff	Information only. No official action taken.

Administrative Functions	To conduct administrative functions related to the board's FY24 board self-assessment instrument and process; executive committee structure and roles; and spring retreat planning	Trustees; president; chief of staff/chief strategy officer; general counsel; senior vice presidents; board staff	Information only. No official action taken.
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1. CONVENE PUBLIC MEETING

The Montgomery College Board of Trustees re-convened at 6:14 p.m. on March 20, 2024, in the Board Room of the Central Services Building, located at 9221 Corporate Boulevard, Rockville, Maryland, to conduct the public session of its March meeting. The public was invited to participate in person or via Zoom teleconference.

2. ROLL CALL

Trustees Present: Trustee Michael A. Brintnall, Chair
 Trustee Frieda K. Lacey, First Vice Chair
 Trustee Gloria Aparicio Blackwell, Second Vice Chair
 Trustee Sheryl Brissett Chapman
 Trustee Annice Cody
 Trustee Judy Docca
 Trustee Omar A. Lazo
 Trustee Robert F. Levey
 Trustee Maricé I. Morales
 Trustee Rishi G. Nixon

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Trustee Morales made a motion to approve the public meeting agenda. Trustee Aparicio Blackwell seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

4. REPORTS

A. President's Report

Dr. Williams began his report with congratulations to Montgomery College student Maulika Masson. Ms. Masson was named a 2024 New Century Transfer Pathway Scholar, one of only 20 students nationwide selected for this prestigious honor. He also recognized faculty member Professor Rebecca Portis, who was awarded a Fulbright-Hays Award to travel to South Africa.

Transitioning to news of recent College events, Dr. Williams reported that the Germantown Campus welcomed more than 400 students to the Maryland Science Olympiad competition. At another weekend event, almost 200 scouts of all genders participated in the Boy Scouts of America National Capital Area Council's merit badge events on the Rockville Campus. A third event, the Adventure in Science program, drew

400 third to eighth-grade students—and their parents—to the Germantown Campus. Finally, the annual Maryland Middle School Regional Science Bowl Competition was held on the Rockville Campus, with 30 students competing for the regional title.

Dr. Williams concluded his report with expressing gratitude and appreciation for faculty and staff, noting that as the College marked the annual national Employee Appreciation Day earlier this month, he continued to be grateful for the extraordinary efforts of faculty and staff to draw students to the College and to those who went out of their way to make outreach events uniquely inclusive to our diverse community, fuel access, and create communities of belonging.

B. Committee and Liaison Reports

i. Board Development and Succession Planning Committee

Trustee Lacey, chair of the Board Development and Succession Planning Committee, reported that its third and final meeting of this fiscal year was held on March 6. The committee addressed and finalized recommendations on matters of board self-assessment, chair assessment, and trustee recruitment. Trustee Lacey shared the plans and timeline for both the board's self-assessment and the implementation of a chair's assessment. She stated that the committee has endorsed a proposal to change the second vice chair role to not be eligible for re-election for a consecutive term in that position. This change will necessitate a change to the board's bylaws. In addition, Trustee Lacey outlined some changes to trustee recruitment practices for implementation in the future. Concluding her report, Trustee Lacey thanked her fellow committee members for their service this year.

ii. Student Success and Economic Impact Committee

Trustee Morales, chair of the Student Success and Economic Impact Committee, reported that its final meeting of this fiscal year was held on March 7. The focus of the meeting was on the East County Education Center. The committee heard updates on the current state of facility development, education programs, academic schedules and academic and student support services.

iii. PIC MC Foundation Board Liaison Report

Trustee Lazo, liaison to the PIC MC Foundation Board, reported that he attended their meeting on February 28, at which he met the new PIC MC Executive Director, Thomas Luginbill. Trustee Lazo reported that the Hughes Network Systems manufacturing facility at 19710 Observation Drive in Germantown is completed and the ribbon cutting ceremony is scheduled for April 26. In addition, Trustee Lazo reported that the Montgomery College/PIC MC signage on Middlebrook Drive in Germantown has been installed and that the PIC MC Board Member Network continues to support the professional development journey of their student board member, Jefferson Vasquez-Reyes. Concluding his report, Trustee Lazo reported that PIC MC issued an RFP for the update of its strategic plan.

iv. MC Foundation Board Liaison Report

Trustee Levey, liaison to the MC Foundation Board, reported that he attended their meeting on March 6. Trustee Levey brought the great news of the Foundation having surpassed its annual fundraising goal, raising more than \$7,933,000 toward its goal of \$6,000,000; that is 132.2% of the goal achieved with 65.8% of time elapsed. In other Foundation news, Trustee Levey reported on each of the Foundation committee activities, including the Strategic Planning Committee, which has begun discussing and editing the MC Foundation Strategic Plan. In addition, Trustee Levey

detailed two upcoming Foundation events—the Dogfishing for MC Scholarships Fundraiser on April 30 and the Public Phase of Fundraising Kickoff on October 30. Concluding his report, Trustee Levey thanked Vice President for Development and Executive Director for the MC Foundation Joyce Matthews and Senior Campaign Director Noah Saposnik, their staff, as well as the chair of the Foundation Board of Directors, Mary Pat Alcus, for all their good work on behalf of the College and our students

C. Chair's Report

Board Chair Brintnall echoed Dr. Williams, by beginning his report with acknowledgements of Ms. Maulika Masson, a representative of student excellence, and Professor Rebecca Portis, representing outstanding faculty achievement. In recognition of the College's achievements, Board Chair Brintnall noted that Montgomery College is a finalist for the AACCC Award of Excellence in the category of Outstanding College/Corporate Partnership for our work in establishing the IgnITE Hub in collaboration with Apple Inc., MCPS, the Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation, and the Montgomery County Government. In addition, Board Chair Brintnall expressed his gratitude to Montgomery College employees in honor of Employee Appreciation Day.

Turning his attention to the board annual assessment processes, Board Chair Brintnall reported that trustees have been engaged in self-reflection while considering models for the board's annual self-assessment as well as a for a pilot chair's assessment.

Board Chair Brintnall concluded his report with expressing thanks to Dr. Williams for being at the center of all these activities and inspiring it all.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

BR#24-03-040 **February 12, 2024 Public Vote and Closed Session Minutes**
February 12, 2024 Public Meeting Minutes
Personnel Actions Confirmation Report

Trustee Levey made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Trustee Morales seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

6. POLICY MATTERS

BR#24-03-041 **Modification of Policy 11003—Labor Relations**
BR#24-03-042 **Modification of Policy 41003—Student Cumulative Records**
BR#24-03-043 **Modification of Policy 45003—Tuition and Fees; State Aid**
BR#24-03-044 **Modification of Policy 45004—Student Indebtedness**
BR#24-03-045 **Retirement of Policy 24101—President**
Retirement of Policy 45002—Tuition and Fees Installment

Trustee Brissett Chapman made a motion to remove the Modification of Policy 45003—Tuition and Fees; State Aid item from consideration until language is clarified. Trustee Lazo seconded. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Trustee Brissett Chapman made a motion to approve all remaining Policy Matters. Trustee Lazo seconded. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

7. AWARDS OF CONTRACT (COMPETITIVE)

- BR#24-03-046** **Multiple Awards of Contract, Information Technology Staffing and Consulting Services, Bid e524-006**
- BR#24-03-047** **Award of Contract, Strategic Marketing and Brand Strategy Development and Implementation, Bid e924-006**

Trustee Lacey made a motion to approve the two competitive awards of contract. Trustee Morales seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

8. BOARD MATTER

- BR#24-03-048** **The Fiscal Year 2025 Schedule of Board Meetings**

Trustee Morales made a motion to approve the board matter. Trustee Levey seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

9. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to come before the board.

10. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Board Chair Brintnall offered kudos to Dr. Cain for the preparation of policy matters for the board's consideration. Dr. Cain in turn thanked Dr. Debbie Van Camp for her work with the policy modifications and retirements.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Morales made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Lacey seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Signature on file

Dr. Michael A. Brintnall
Chair, Board of Trustees

Signature on file

Dr. Jermaine F. Williams
President and Secretary-Treasurer,
Board of Trustees

Recorder: Lily Lee
Approved on: April 15, 2024