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## MONTGOMERY COLLEGE GOVERNANCE

Rockville Campus Council

April 3, 2023

via Zoom

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

### Attendees

- Members present: Katherine M. Goldstein (Chair), Elizabeth Melanson (Vice Chair), Anne Briggs (Secretary), Tendai Johnson, Samuel Dina, Lisa Hackley, Christiane Bonkougou, Amal Alsufyani, David Burkart, Rebecca Fuchs.
- Proxies present: N/A
- Members Absent: Raquel Bunai, Ivonne Bruneau-Botello, Catherine Rodriguez
- Guests: Antonio Montano

### Call to Order

- The regular meeting was called to order at 2:35 p.m. by Chair Katie Goldstein.
- The meeting was recorded for internal use only.
- The meeting began with roll call.

### Constituent Concerns

- Christiane Bonkougou raised a concern about the location and size of serenity spaces on campus.
  - This concern was raised at the last meeting, and Dr. Benjamin was going to meet with the Muslim Student Association to address this. Dr. Benjamin is not present to give an update.
- Nghi Nguyen asked via email if there are plans for the MK building to have prox cards installed.
  - James Gillis reports there are no plans to do this at this time.
- Nghi Nguyen asked via email if electric vehicle charging stations could be installed at the MK building parking lot, and if all charging stations could be upgraded to the quick chargers.
  - James Gillis will seek more information on this and report out at the May meeting.
- Katie Goldstein: The SV building vending machines only accept cash. Can they be upgraded to accept credit cards?
  - James Gillis suggested working with Bradley Bridges, Director of Auxiliary Services. Katie Goldstein will follow up with Director Bridges.
- Katie Goldstein followed up on a previous constituent concern regarding the vending machine in the TT building. This machine has been restocked and the constituent concern can be closed.
- Katie Goldstein reported that classrooms in the HU building are uncomfortably warm.
  - James Gillis reported that the buildings have not yet been switched to cooling. Instructors can submit a service desk ticket a few hours before the class takes place to request that the temperature be lowered.
- David Burkart requested updates on two previous constituent concerns:
  - Water fountains not working in SW building: James Gillis reported that those were turned back on.
  - Request for Raptor Charging station in Ackerman Science Learning Center: James Gillis reported that OIT has the charging stations in stock. He will submit an IT service desk ticket to install one in the Ackerman Center.

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## Approval of Minutes

- The March 2023 minutes were approved as written. Tendai Johnson motioned to approve. David Burkart seconded.

## Provost's Report

- Dr. Benjamin is at a conference today and not present at the meeting.
- Ida Britton is attending from the Provost's office, though it is her first day and she has nothing to report on their behalf at this time.
- Raquel Bunai has left MC and is no longer a council member.
- Katie Goldstein appointed Ida Britton as a member of the Rockville Campus Council to fill the vacancy left by Raquel.

## Equity and Inclusion Updates (presented by Antonio Montano)

- Antonio has been in his position at Montgomery College for about one month. He previously worked at College of the Desert in California, and completed 23 years of active duty service with the Coast Guard.
- Equity Week is coming up the week of April 10. All events and links to register are on the webpage: <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/about-mc/equity-and-inclusion/equity-week.html>.
  - Please make sure to register for events in order to get professional development credit.
- Social Justice Inclusive Leadership Institute for Students currently has 35 students enrolled. They are still in need of mentors. Learn more at <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/about-mc/equity-and-inclusion/index.html>.
- Upcoming events/initiatives:
  - Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month is in May.
  - LGBTQ+ Pride Month is in June.
  - Another Social Justice Inclusive Leadership Institute for Students session will be held over the summer.
- Question from David Burkart: he would like his student employees to complete the mental health first aid and SafeZone trainings, but when they've signed up in the past, the sessions have been cancelled due to low participation at the last minute. Is there a way to schedule a class specifically for his student employees?
  - Antonio will place the request through Sharon Wilder.

## Chair's Report (presented by Katie Goldstein)

- Thank you to those who volunteered at the March Mobile Market. We had a total of eight volunteers. It would be great for the Rockville Campus Council to have more involvement with volunteering or recruiting volunteers for all mobile markets.
- The next Mobile Market is April 5 from 10am – 12pm at the North Garage. Volunteers are still needed. Sign up for as little as 30 minutes.
  - To register: [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4fadaf2aa4fdce9-shaw#](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4fadaf2aa4fdce9-shaw#/).
- Equity Week begins April 10.
- In-person Job Fairs are returning in April. There will be one job fair held on each campus. Students can attend for assistance updating their resumes and more.
  - Rockville's job fair takes place April 21, 10am – 1pm.
- Encourage students to attend a grad cap decorating party: April 13, 1pm – 4pm, green space between HU and TA buildings.

- MC Governance elections end on April 7. Vote online: <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/vote>.
  - Rockville Campus Council will hold elections for officers at the May meeting. If interested, please speak to the current officers to get an idea of the responsibilities (Katie Goldstein, Chair, Liz Melanson, Vice Chair, and Anne Briggs, Secretary).
- Asian American Pacific Islander Month will be kicking off on the Rockville Campus on April 26. Organizers are seeking those interested in hosting a table, providing a performance or talk, or volunteering at the event. Sign up at <https://forms.office.com/r/5tmrDEYNjP>.
- Office of Facilities has emailed a survey to all employees to get input for their next master plan. Please complete the survey: <https://forms.microsoft.com/r/YL6y0nzaFB>.
- Winter sports have wrapped up and softball is beginning. The team is playing a double-header against Howard Community College on Wednesday, April 5, at 3pm and 5pm at the Rockville softball field. Learn more at <https://www.mcraptors.com/sports/sball/index>.
- April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Angela Dawson is coordinating events every week in April.
  - Find information about events on the College's Master Calendar: <https://go.activecalendar.com/montgomerycollege/>.
  - Please wear teal on Tuesdays in April to raise awareness for this important issue.
- April is a very difficult month for many people, and the month with the highest number of suicides. If you are experiencing a mental health crisis, please call, text, or chat 24 hours a day:
  - Montgomery County Crisis Hotline: 240-777-4000
  - National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 800-273-8255, Press 1 for Veterans Crisis Line
  - Online chat support at [imalive.org](http://imalive.org)
  - Text chat support: text "start" to 741741
  - National Domestic Violence Hotline: 800-799-7233
  - Students:
    - <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/counseling-and-advising/personal-counseling.html>
    - <http://www.montgomerycollege.edu/can>
    - <http://www.montgomerycollege.edu/shaw-center>
  - Faculty/Staff:
    - <https://info.montgomerycollege.edu/offices/human-resources/faculty-staff-assistance-program.html>
- Additional Updates from Members:
  - Samuel Dina reported that OIT is busy upgrading desktops to laptops. Individual employees will no longer be allowed to use a desktop computer. This will be completed by the end of the year.

### Goal Subcommittees

- Group separated into breakout rooms to discuss the council goals. Goal report-out:
- Katie Goldstein reported on the mental health goal:
  - MC is celebrating Mental Health Week the week of April 24. In particular, Rockville Campus is hosting a program on April 25 from 10am – 2pm in the green space on campus.

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- Katie has arranged for a vendor called I'm Alive to host tables throughout the campus where participants can learn about mental health and participate in stress relieving activities. In addition to I'm Alive, the art department, SHaW Center, and counseling and advising will all have tables.
  - Request for council members to volunteer for shifts. The sign-up form will be emailed to members this week.
  - Anne Briggs reported on the communications goal:
    - The sub-committee has drafted the communications kit. View it at <https://library.montgomerycollege.edu/test/communications-kit.html>.
    - Next steps: distribute to Office of Communications to get their feedback on the concept and content. Request a location for it on the website, as well as links to it on other relevant webpages (e.g., Inside MC, events calendar). Request assistance from Office of Communications in developing an event flyer template that organizers can customize to create professional and brand-compliant flyers without graphic design skills. (Note, this flyer would be optional, not required for anyone to use if they prefer to design their own flyers.)
    - Anne Briggs will send the communications kit and talking points about it to Katie Goldstein, who will find out if this should be brought to the College Council as a formal recommendation. Anne will also contact the Office of Communications about the next steps for the goal.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:53 p.m. Tendai Johnson motioned, Samuel Dina seconded.

Respectfully submitted by  
Anne Briggs, Rockville Campus Council Secretary