
MONTGOMERY COLLEGE GOVERNANCE

WDCE Council

Date 3/12/26

Location Zoom

Scheduled Start Time-End Time 3:00pm – 5:00pm

Attendees:

- Members present Caroline Barry, Angel Griffin (Chair), Patrick McNair, Eric Scharf (Secretary), Donna Kinerney, Antonio Vidal, Eunice Melo
- Invited Guests Jeff McGill Filling in for Dr Price

Call to Order

- There was a quorum to conduct business. Angel Griffin, the chair, called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm

Approval of Minutes (Before or after Constituent Concerns)

- Minutes were approved.

Constituent Concerns

- Concern: How to market WDC programs under new branding guidelines
- Response: Working with Marketing & Advancement (Mary DeLuca, Jody Neal); interim guidance has gone out from vice presidents; more formal guidelines expected later.

Academic Affairs

- Work continues on credit/non credit pathways and credit for prior learning to create seamless movement between WDC and credit programs. Led by Dr. Sarah Campbell with Dr. Carolyn Terry and cross college teams.
- advisory boards and business engagement to align credit programs more closely with workforce needs, borrowing WDC's faster, industry responsive practices.
- Create a single point of entry for students and employers for internships, apprenticeships, and experiential learning; reduce fragmentation and dependence on individual faculty contacts
- Post retirement review of WDC operations and alignment continues.
- Recommendations sent to Cabinet; further feedback and decisions pending.

Chair's Report

- Raptor Central: New extended hours in effect.
- Budget advocacy: Members asked to email County Executive and Council to:
 - Fully fund FY27 operating budget request, and
 - Support theater arts renovation (capital).
 - Use personal email, state MC affiliation, include home address if in Montgomery County, and BCC College Council.
- Library newsletter: New MC Library newsletter available; members encouraged to subscribe.

- Events & Opportunities:
Data Rock Panel – March 25, Rockville.
- WCC–MC Conference – April 24, Germantown; EAP eligible; breakfast & lunch provided.
- Take Your Child to Work Day – April 23; campus based activities for children (approx. ages 8+).
- MC Experiences – starting next week on all three campuses; volunteers, especially group leaders, still needed.
- Staff Enrichment Day – March 18; members urged to register for morning + afternoon sessions and main event.
- Commencement – split into two days (May 21–22) by major; volunteers requested.
- Job Fairs – April 8 (Germantown), April 15 (Rockville), April 29 (Takoma Park); encourage students to register.
- Dual Enrollment: Video spotlight on a dual enrollment student; opportunity available to MCPS students (starting around sophomore year, via school DE counselors).
- “Ask Monty” multilingual chatbot: Now auto translates responses when questions come in other languages; welcomed as improving access and inclusion.
- Extended enrollment services hours: Raptor Central extended hours to better serve students with varied schedules.

2025/10/9 Meeting #2 – APPROVED

Business

- Gather feedback from constituents on issues related to online learning, such as faculty camera usage and student engagement, and invite Dr. Mike Millsaf (Council).
- Academic Master Plan Work Group (Strategy 4.4B) Led by Donna Kinernay members: Caroline Barry, Donna Kinernay, Kate Wooldridge

New Business

- Academic Master Plan (AMP) Work Group Update – Goal 4.4 Presenters: Donna Canary and Carolyn Barry.
- Faculty Survey will be sent out.
- Brainstorm and discuss possible guest speakers to invite to future meetings.

- Governance Engagement Activity
- Encourage faculty to fill out survey .
- Identify guest speakers for upcoming meetings.

Adjournment.

- Meeting was adjourned at 3:5i PM