

MC GOVERNANCE

GERMANTOWN CAMPUS COUNCIL FY 2024-2025 MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 15, 2024 | 12:00-1:30 pm
Zoom Meeting

Attendees

Members Present: Tonya Addleman (Chair); Greg Downs (Vice Chair); Kam Yee (Secretary); Karlyvette Acevedo; Milton Nash; Erin Marcinek; John Rouse; John Wysong; Teresa Lew; Esther Clark.
Absent: Silvia Vargas; Kalen Roundy; Al-Hassan Mohamed Bangura.
Liaison: Sharon Anthony.
Guests: Perla de Souza; Karla Silvestre; Yvette Taylor; Clevette Ridguard; Shakenna Adams-Gormley.

Call to Order

- The regular meeting was called to order at 12:02 pm by Chair Tonya Addleman.
- Quorum was established to conduct business.
- Meeting to be recorded for internal use only.
- Only Council members or designated proxies may speak, participate and vote.

Approval of Agenda/Minutes

Sep 17, 2024 meeting minutes.

- Milton requested that the '*Latin cultural event*' be clarified to refer to '*Latines in STEM Panel*'.
- Meeting minutes were approved as amended. Milton Nash motioned to approve. Greg Downs seconded.

Guest Presentation: MC Votes – Perla de Souza, Karla Silvestre

- MC Votes informs students of the importance of making their voices be heard.
- Voting statistics and resources, early voting dates, mail-in ballots info were presented.
- All 3 MC campuses have an early voting ballot drop box. Germantown is the most utilized of the three.

Constituent Concerns

- Concern brought forward at previous meeting: lack of postage stamp machine at the GT Campus mailroom for outgoing mail.

[Chair's Update] MC does not intend to have a postage metering system in multiple campuses due to high costs to maintain and operate. It plans to continue postage metering operation from the Rockville campus. Mail from GT Campus is picked up every day after all. No mail delay issues have been brought to the attention of MC's mailroom and warehouse manager.

- People are driving through the GT campus at high rate of speed and not stopping at STOP signs. Flashing lights at the pedestrian crossings do not seem to be doing much in these cases. Public Safety is looking into other ways to calm traffic. [Sharon Anthony shared this from the Campus Operations Team meeting.]

FY25 Goal Plan Discussion – Tonya Addleman

- Goal #1: identify and learn about resources available from the College and the local community that will contribute to student success (help the student achieve their goals, academic and personal goals); develop and implement a plan to share this information more broadly with students and employees across the Germantown campus.
- Goal #2: partner with at least one MC group to provide support or resources for our students and/or help nurture a sense of belonging on our campus.

Campus Dean's Report – Sharon Anthony

- On Fri, Oct 11, 2024, a code red was issued in all 3 campuses. Public Safety did great job in informing the public and handling the situation. No violence occurred, but this raised matters for discussions.
 - Students were seen waiting for the bus or for their rides for transportation. In a more critical evacuation situation (e.g., active shooter situation), this could have negative consequences. Campus Operations will examine this in the emergency preparedness plan.
 - High schools with students in dual enrollment program need notification. MCPS school buses and MC shuttle buses need to be informed and coordinated.
- MC is trying to consolidate a listing of the College resources.
- Work for MC's next year's budget has commenced.
- MC leadership working to streamline and standardize the alternate ESH (equivalent semester hours) approval process.
- Student protests are permitted in public areas. Protests cannot impede traffic, bar entryways to buildings or sidewalks, nor harass people/aggravate/stalk people.
- Board of Elections is using BE 151 and 152 till the end of November.
- Pop-up student pantry on Thu, Oct 17, 2024.
- Maryland Male Student of Color Summit on Fri, Oct 18, 2024.
- Academic Advising Day on Tue, Oct 22, 2024.
- Open enrollment starts next week. Oct 21 through Nov 08, 2024.
- Humanities Days and National Chemistry Week during week of Oct 21, 2024.
- Compliance and Ethics Week. Oct 28 through Nov 01, 2024.
- Flu shots and Campus Benefits Fair on Thu, Oct 31, 2024.
- Board of Trustees meeting on GT Campus on Mon, Nov 11, 2024.
- 300 MCPS 9th Graders will tour the GT Campus on Wed, Nov 13, 2024.
- Latines in STEM Panel on Oct 02, 2024 was well attended. It was the first time a National Hispanic Heritage Month event was held at GT Campus.
- Some MC students are doing volunteer work with Waters Landing Elementary School, providing after-school activities for its students over the next two months. This is a way of reaching out and building a bridge very early on.

Chair's Report – Tonya Addleman (Summary of Chair Report's Presentation Slides)

- Upcoming events: Humanities Days; Drug Take Back Day, Flu shots; Benefits Fair; National Distance Learning Week; Mobile Markets. [Check Inside MC, Employee Matters, Monday Minute, MC Email communications]
- Collegewide announcements: Open Enrollment; Fall Equity Dialogue; Inclusion by Design Conference; 12th Humanities Days; Course Material Adoptions; Employee Updates in Workday.
- News from College Council Sep 24, 2024 meeting were shared. The Strategic Plan, with its goals, outcomes and strategies were presented. The College Council plans to further discuss them throughout the Fall semester.

Announcements – Tonya Addleman

- Amanda Miller (Arts Program Coordinator on GT Campus) is developing new projects for the Art Walk and exploring new ways to engage the campus. Art Walk takes place each spring for two weeks in April and or May. Departments that are planning outdoor events around that time are requested to connect with Amanda. She welcomes the opportunity to collaborate, to plan for an overlap, and to cross promote.
- GT Campus Council group photo is now posted in the MC Governance website.

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 1:25 pm. Karlyvette Acevedo motioned to adjourn. Erin Marcinek seconded.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kam Yee, Secretary

Germantown Campus Council