

# MC GOVERNANCE

## Montgomery College Student Council Meeting #4 Minutes

Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023

4:00 – 5:30 PM

Zoom Meeting

### **Attendees**

**Present:** Joshua, Elias, Jefferson, Eunice, Yerenmy, Alisha, Abelina, Sharon.

**Visitors:** Germantown SGA, Rockville SGA, TP/SS SGA. Germantown Food Committee, Rockville Food Committee, TP/SS Food Committee.

**Absent:** No Absences

**Guests:** Mr. Sokol Mato and Mr. Mike Humphreys

**Liaison:** Dr. Monica Brown, SVP of Student Affairs

**Governance Director:** Dr. Clevette Ridguard

### **Call to Order**

There was a quorum to conduct business. Jefferson Vasquez-Reyez (Student Council Chair) called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm. The meeting was recorded for internal use only.

### **Constituent Concerns**

- Cafeteria food would sometimes have mold. Students reported that staff would put the food back in to sell. (Germantown Campus)
- Prices are high and do not seem reasonable for students (Germantown Campus)
- Cafeterias closes early for students who take evening classes (Germantown Campus)
- Cafeteria Catering orders do not arrive on time (Germantown Campus)
- Montgomery College rugs do not dry shoes when it rains. The sound of the wet shoes interrupts students who are studying or doing any type of work nearby. Students have also reported having fallen or slipped due to the rugs not drying their shoes at all (College wide)
- Accepting EBT and Food Stamps for food at MC
- The nutrition of the cafeteria food is poor
- Cafeteria Pizzas quality changes. An individual pizza can taste good when the full pizza order does not (Rockville Campus)

- Shuttle bus schedule. A student reported that the shuttle buses used to run until 11pm. Recently, shuttle buses have finished their routes by 8:10pm. Leaving several students without transportation. (College Wide)
- The outside emergency buttons are not functioning. Parking lots have low light which makes student who take night classes feel unsafe (Rockville Campus)

### **Chair's Report (Jefferson Vasquez-Reyes, Chair)**

- Welcoming the new senior vice president for academic affairs and college provost Dr. Deidre Price
- Star Network soft launch. Professional and Career development for MC students
- Shaw Center last Mobile Market Dec 13<sup>th</sup> at TP/SS. January 31<sup>st</sup> 2024 Germantown campus.
- Shaw center peer to peer program is looking for students. The program offers, employment opportunities, leadership development and extracurricular activities outside of the classroom
- MC Leads application for Spring 2024 are open
- MC has partnered with Brainfuse to offer 24/7 tutoring for students on many subjects

### **Metz Discussion:**

#### **Mr. Myke Humphreys:**

- Vending Machine contractors will be refilling the machines more frequently. (College Wide)
- Metz is offering Student employment (College Wide)
- QR codes will be added to receipts in order to get feedback (College Wide)
- Students reports on prices on same items through campuses being different are being verified and fixed (College Wide)
- Question about the student menu was asked. Reports of a student menu arriving at MC's cafeteria were brought a few semesters prior to today's meetings; however, the menu has not yet been seen in any of the cafeterias. Myke stated that this menu continues to be talked about and should be out soon (College Wide)
- Myke stated that no other prices are planned to be raised (College Wide)
- Students reported that prices do not match. In the menu, an individual pizza can be made as a combo, but

when the student requests a combo, they were told they had to buy everything separately. (Germantown Campus)

- Myke stated that students should be able to go into the cafeteria and order a meatball pizza and that combos should be available starting the Monday after this meeting (College Wide)
- Sokol Mato stated that students may contact either him or Mr. Myke if problems come up so that they may address those problem as quick as possible
- Student asked about EBT and Food Stamps being used for food (College Wide) Myke stated that this was turned down, but it can be re-visited
- Students reported that cafeteria hours are a problem for evening students. The cafeteria closes at 2pm. Students have asked if it can close at 4 or 5pm instead (College Wide)
- A student asked when does breakfast stops being served. Myke stated that breakfast is done at 10:30am, but that certain items they can still serve, such as a breakfast sandwich. Students responded that breakfast in the Germantown campus had been denied after 9:30pm. Myke stated this would be addressed to the staff (College Wide)
- A student reported that Metz does not have available an option for packed drinks, only individual. This problem affects clubs, who receive \$30 per month for food/drinks used for their meetings. Drinks are listed as being more than \$1 which would mean using more than half of that budget for water bottles (College Wide)
- Students report that most of the food in the cafeteria is fried and greasy. Students are asking to have more healthy food and different choices instead of having repeated food every day. (College Wide)
- Student reported that soda fountain in TP/SS is not working
- A Student Reported that staff does not change gloves or clean utensils when cooking different foods (Germantown Campus)
- A Student reported that the cafeteria starts closing at 1:30pm when the closing times is at 2pm. Myke stated

that everything is available until the cafeteria closes at 2pm. This will be addressed

- A student reported that Metz is understaff (Germantown Campus)
- Mr. Sokol Mato stated that Germantown Campus food menu will be expanded

**Goal:** A goal was set to work with Metz to improve food quality and services

**Adjourned**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20p.m.