



## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES**

### **Montgomery College**

**Public Vote via Zoom Teleconference • 301-715-8592 • Meeting ID: 930 9359 8762**

**Board Room, Central Services Building, 9221 Corporate Boulevard,**

**Rockville, Maryland 20850**

**June 16, 2025**

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

Board Chair Aparicio Blackwell called a brief public meeting to order at 6:05 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 Gloria Aparicio Blackwell, Chair  
Trustee Annice Cody, First Vice Chair  
Trustee Omar A. Lazo, Second Vice Chair  
Trustee Michael A. Brintnall  
Trustee Sheryl Brissett Chapman (joined online)  
Trustee Marvin Dickerson  
Trustee David A. Hill  
Trustee Robert F. Levey  
Trustee Maricé I. Morales

Trustee Absent:      Trustee A. Michelle Namugerwa

#### **C. MOTION TO CLOSE SESSION**

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

- discuss one cybersecurity matter—subsection 15.

Trustee Dickerson made a motion to close the meeting. Trustee Lazo seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

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

<b>Statutory authority</b>	<b>Topic description</b>	<b>Persons present for discussion</b>	<b>Action Taken</b>
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<b>3-305(b) Subsection 15</b>	Discuss a cybersecurity matter related to the Annual Information Security Program and Risk Assessment Report	Trustees; president; chief of staff; 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 6:47 9 p.m. on June 16, 2025, in the Board Room of the Central Services Building, located at 9221 Corporate Boulevard, Rockville Maryland, to conduct the public session of its June meeting. The public was invited to participate in person or via Zoom teleconference.

## 2. ROLL CALL

Trustees Present: Trustee Gloria Aparicio Blackwell, Chair  
Trustee Annice Cody, First Vice Chair  
Trustee Omar A. Lazo, Second Vice Chair  
Trustee Michael A. Brintnall  
Trustee Sheryl Brissett Chapman (joined online)  
Trustee Marvin Dickerson  
Trustee David A. Hill  
Trustee Robert F. Levey  
Trustee Maricé I. Morales

Trustee Absent: Trustee A. Michelle Namugerwa

## 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

## 4. REPORTS

### A. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Williams began his report with reflections on the close of the academic year, noting the College's growth, innovation, and resilience, as well as the partnerships and student successes that highlight its mission of transformation.

He reported that Commencement celebrated the completion of more than 3,100 students, with record attendance and livestream views, and was accompanied by numerous events recognizing achievements across academics, STEM, the arts, and athletics.

Dr. Williams updated the board on advancements in technology and data-driven strategies, including Starfish implementation and Collegewide Advising Day, which improved organizational effectiveness and supported student success, with strong activation rates among first-time students.

Dr. Williams announced that student supports will continue through the summer with expanded primary care services at the Rockville Campus, alongside Mobile Markets and food pantries to meet health and wellness needs.

Reporting on recent events, Dr. Williams informed the Board that the College hosted Governor Wes Moore to announce a \$100,000 state grant supporting the “ACET Flex: From Feds to Eds” program, which will accelerate displaced federal workers into teaching roles through alternative certification. The Second Annual Chambers of Commerce Partnership Breakfast brought together leaders from 10 chambers to strengthen regional workforce collaborations, highlight College resources, and showcase student entrepreneurship through the Macklin Business Institute Café. In May, the Takoma Park/Silver Spring Campus hosted an exhibit honoring county veterans who died in Iraq and Afghanistan, reinforcing the College’s mission to enrich the community through education and connection.

Dr. Williams concluded his report by thanking the trustees for their service, with special recognition to Trustees Bob Levey, the Honorable Maricé Morales, and Student Trustee Annet Michelle Namugerwa for completing their terms, and Chair Gloria Aparicio Blackwell for her continued leadership.

## **B. COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS**

### **i. PIC MC Foundation Liaison’s Report**

Trustee Brintnall, liaison to the PIC MC Foundation Board, reported that the PIC MC Foundation Board met on June 11, 2025, at the Germantown Campus. At the meeting, they approved their FY26 budget, which includes \$35,000 in scholarship funds that can be disbursed in Fall 2025.

The PIC MC Foundation Board recognized the departures of Stephen Kaufmann, Doug Wrenn, and student members Sofia Perez and Misale Endrias, and thanked Dr. Gail Wasserman for her two years of leadership as chair, while welcoming Tony Spearman-Leach as the new chair.

New member Deb Chowdhury of Hughes Network Systems was welcomed, highlighting Hughes’ longstanding partnership with Montgomery College.

The PIC MC Foundation Board congratulated member Prashant Panchal on his appointment to the Maryland Economic Development Commission Board, reflecting his valued service to the College and county.

Trustee Brintnall concluded his liaison’s report with news that PIC MC will sponsor the Maryland Pavilion at the 2025 BIO Conference, with Academic Affairs representatives participating to strengthen innovation and partnership efforts.

### **ii. Budget Review and Financial Sustainability Committee Report**

Trustee Cody, chair of the Budget and Financial Sustainability Committee, reported that a meeting was held on June 11 to review the FY26 Operating Budget. At that meeting, committee members heard about the increase to the

Current Fund Budget of \$12.2 million. They also were briefed that the CADE formula was fully funded with \$2.6 million in additional state aid. Trustee Cody reported that the president recommends final approval of the final FY26 budget, which the committee supports.

Trustee Cody reported that the College received \$350,000 in maintenance of effort funds to support future implementation of the Collective Impact Institute, an initiative still in development.

Finally, the committee reviewed the FY26 tuition and fees resolution, noting that earlier in the spring, the president had previously recommended, and the full board approved, no increase for FY26.

Trustee Cody concluded her report by looking ahead to further conversations about financial aid and the application of tuition and fees per student.

### **iii. Montgomery College Foundation Liaison's Report**

Trustee Lazo, liaison to the Montgomery College Foundation Board, reported that a meeting was held on June 11, 2025. He reported that as of May 29, FY25 fundraising by the Foundation totaled \$7.6 million, exceeding the \$6 million annual goal, while the campaign total reached \$37 million toward the \$50 million goal.

Trustee Lazo shared some developments by the Foundation's Real Estate Committee, the Strategic Planning Committee, and the Development and Impact Committee.

He concluded his report with news that the Foundation held its Annual Scholarship Luncheon on April 11 at the Bethesda North Marriott, which featured student board directors as emcees and Patricia and Craig Ruppert of the Ruppert Family Foundation as keynote speakers.

## **C. CHAIR'S REPORT**

Board Chair Aparicio Blackwell began her report with recent events, reporting that she will attend the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner on June 18, along with Trustees Brissett Chapman, Lazo, and Levey. She also noted that the FY26 Board Officers will hold their Executive Committee kickoff meeting on June 26 to plan for the upcoming year.

Board Chair Aparicio Blackwell reminded trustees that final adoption of the FY26 capital and operating budgets will take place later in the evening and expressed appreciation to the County Council for their support, as well as Dr. Williams, Mr. Collette, Ms. Greaney, and staff for their efforts in developing the budgets and keeping the Board informed.

Board Chair Aparicio Blackwell concluded her report with recognition of outgoing Trustees Robert Levey, Maricé Morales, and Michelle Namugerwa, whose terms conclude on June 30, thanking them for their outstanding service and commitment. She also thanked Trustee Omar Lazo for his leadership as Second Vice Chair, and extended appreciation to the faculty, staff, and students of Montgomery College for their dedication

and perseverance.

## **5. CONSENT AGENDA**

**May 19, 2025 Conference Session Minutes**  
**May 19, 2025 Public Vote and Closed Session Minutes**  
**May 19, 2025 Audit Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**May 19, 2025 Public Meeting Minutes**  
**Personnel Actions Confirmation Report**

**BR#25-06-067**

Trustee Dickerson made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Trustee Hill seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

## **6. RECOGNITIONS**

**BR#25-06-068**

**Recognition of Retirees**  
**Awards of Medallions**

**BR#25-06-069**

**Bronze Medallion to Trustee Annet Michelle**  
**Namugerwa**

**BR#25-06-070**

**Silver Medallion and Emerita Status to Dr. Michelle T.**  
**Scott**

**BR#25-06-071**

**Silver Medallion and Emeritus Status to Trustee Robert**  
**F. Levey**

**BR#25-06-072**

**Silver Medallion to and Emerita Status to The**  
**Honorable Trustee Maricé I. Morales**

Trustee Hill made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Trustee Dickerson seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Medallions were presented to outgoing Trustees Levey and Morales, who gave brief comments reflecting on their time and service to Montgomery College and the Board of Trustees.

## **7. AWARDS OF CONTRACT (COMPETITIVE)**

**BR#25-06-073**

**Award of Contract, Multi-facility Ground Maintenance and**  
**Pond Weed Control Services, Bid e425-008**

**BR#25-06-074**

**Award of Contract, Food Management Services, Bid e525-007**

**BR#25-06-075**

**Award of Contract, External Auditing Services, Bid e525-012**

**BR#25-06-076**

**Award of Contract, Printing, Binding, Mailing, Packaging, and**  
**Delivery Services for the College Non-credit Schedule, Bid**  
**e525-015**

**BR#25-06-077**

**Award of Contract, Construction Manager at Risk for the**  
**Macklin Tower Library Renovation, Rockville Campus, Part**  
**Two, Guaranteed Maximum Price, Bid 625-004**

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

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

## **8. REGULATORY MATTERS**

**BR#25-06-078**

**The Annual Progress Report on Programs of the Cultural Diversity**

**BR#25-06-079**

**The Montgomery College Cultural Diversity Plan**

Trustee Morales made a motion to approve the regulatory matters. Trustee Hill seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

**9. BUDGET MATTERS**

**BR#25-06-080**

**Final Adoption of the FY26 Current, Enterprise, and Other Funds Budgets**

**BR#25-06-081**

**Final Adoption of the FY26 Capital Budget**

**BR#25-06-082**

**Petition for State Funding, Macklin Tower Library Construction, Furniture and Equipment, Rockville Campus**

**BR#25-06-083**

**Petition for State Funding, Student Services Center Design and Construction, Germantown Campus**

Trustee Morales made a motion to approve the budget matters. Trustee Hill seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

**10. POLICY MATTERS**

**BR#25-06-084**

**Modification of Policy 11002: Political Activity  
Review of Policy 58003: Academic Freedom  
Review of Policy 68003: Gifts Acceptable to  
Montgomery College**

Trustee Morales made a motion to approve the Modification of Policy 11002: Political Activity. Trustee Dickerson seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

**11. NEW BUSINESS**

Trustee Hill stated for the record that outgoing Trustees Levey and Morales will be missed. Trustee Brissett Chapman expressed her enjoyment of having served with Trustees Levey and Morales, as well as the energy and vitality they brought to the Board. Trustee Lazo echoed Trustee Hill's statement and thanked Trustees Levey and Morales for their passion and advocacy. Board Chair Aparicio Blackwell closed out the New Business item with thanks to the outgoing Trustees Levey, Morales, and Namugerwa.

**12. TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

There were no comments under this agenda item.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Hill made a motion to adjourn the public meeting. Trustee Dickerson seconded.

A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Signature on file

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Gloria Aparicio Blackwell  
Chair, Board of Trustees

Signature on file

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

Recorder: Lily Lee  
September 15, 2025