

# Community Engagement Working Group Meeting

2021 Mount Vernon Campus Planning Community Engagement

DATE: March 31, 2021

## GW Participants:

- Tanya Vogel, Athletics Director
- Michelle Feuer, Dean, College of Professional Studies
- Greg Rheault, Assistant Dean of Students, MVC
- Amy Cohen, Executive Director, Civic Engagement/Public Service
- John Square, Associate Athletics Director
- Kraemer Clayton, Student Program Associate
- Shaelyn McCarthy, GW Student

## Community Participants:

- Stephen Gardner

## Key Discussion Points:

- Welcome & Introductions
- Process Overview
- Working Group Timeline
- Current Issues, Focus Areas, Concerns
- Important Online Resources
- Next Working Group Dates

## Action Points:

- Modifying the structure and meeting times of the advisory working group committees after receiving recommendations from the community members.
- Review existing 2010 campus plan, for discussion around existing conditions and status at April meeting.

## Summary:

The Community Engagement working group convened their initial meeting with introductions, context for working group members' connections to campus, and what each individual hope to get out of this community engagement process and ultimately be reflected in the 2021 Mount Vernon Campus Plan.

- Community engagement goes both ways: Neighbors wants to enhance the student experience
- Because of the good relationship that community has with the Mount Vernon Campus, the planning process should be a collaborative

A discussion followed that identified preliminary areas of interest, priorities, and considerations to frame the review of the current plan alongside proposed enhancements to the campus in the years ahead. Highlights and areas that emerged from the discussion included:

- Community-Campus Programs for Students
  - Home Away From Home Program
  - Roundtable Discussions
  - W Street Park Project
- Community Amenities
  - Shuttle
  - Audit of Classes
  - Access to Campus Facilities such as dining
  - Cultural events such as Movie Night
- Relationships with neighborhood schools and the mutual benefit for GW and their students through the programs, resources, and facilities at MVC
- Communicating to the Community

The meeting concluded with a review of resources, documents to review for the April meeting, and action items to restructure the working groups and provide new times for meetings.