

Student Affairs Committee
04/27/2022
10:00-11:50 a.m. via Zoom

Present: Sandy Ayala, Napoleon Reyes, Tony Bish, Jennifer Lillig, Karen Thompson, Hilary Smith, Becky Sandoval Young, Laura Monje-Paulson

Absent: Chris Franco, Martha Shott

Minutes-taker: Anthony Bish

Approval of Agenda: Approved with no changes.

Approval of 03/30/2022 and 04/13/2022 Minutes: Both approved with no changes.

Chair's Report (K. Thompson)

- Orientation learning objectives that SAC and AAS worked on went forward as an information item at the last Senate meeting. Then, K. Thompson sent the LOs to the Orientation Steering Committee.
- SAC's Attendance Policy revision reading will have its first reading tomorrow in Senate.
- Senate will be hearing a proposal for having a vote of no confidence in Pres. Sakaki at 4:05 tomorrow.
- Academic Affairs Budget Advisory Working Group recommendations report went out last week. Chair Chat today about the report.

Student Affairs Report (L. Monje-Paulson)

- Students engaged and vocal on matters of Title IX and other SSU-related concerns. Associated Students trying to have spaces for students to speak. Other Departments are also working to talk about the events happening on campus.
- Decision Day on Saturday, April 23rd went well. 198 new students made their deposits (ERDs), which almost met the goal of 200 ERDs.
- Wellness screenings are still continuing and will last until the end of the semester. Green screen and reports are also continuing.
- N. Reyes announced the faculty rally happening on Thursday at 12:00 pm.

Associated Students Report (C. Franco)

- No report.

Academic Advising Subcommittee Report (M. Shott)

- No report.

Accessible Technology Initiative Report (S. Ayala)

- Web training for accessibility still being offered until June.
- Disability Awareness Month workshops happened. Attendance was lower than normal.
- Remediation program with faculty is ongoing. One interesting finding is that class materials from previous years that are not being used are causing accessibility scores to be wrong.
- E-req process of for software approval takes time, because IT has to verify it is safe to run (particularly in regard to level 1 data) as well as accessible. ATI is looking into seeing if another class or faculty has been approved for the same software and if that could shorten the approval time. IT still has concerns about how software is used.
- Book orders are due. Instructional Materials has a new template.

Alcohol and Other Drugs Council Report (N. Reyes)

- No report.

Athletic Council Report (B. Sandoval Young)

- Three SSU students have won NCAA scholarships.
- Women's Basketball coach interviews this week.
- More SSU teams have made it to playoffs this year than expected.
- N. Reyes asked if faculty were on the search committee. Still awaiting answer on that process.
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Scholarship Committee Report (T. Bish)

- 977 completed application received (compared to 1050 last year).
- 368 awards were made to 268 students, and 85 students received more than one award.
- Total amount awarded was \$491,125, compared to \$457,800 last year.
- Average Total Award: \$ 1,800 (\$1,780 w/o including the large awards in the calculation).
- 25 more scholarship opportunities are pending awarding until eligibility verification comes in and departments make selections.
- 60 scholarships weren't awarded due to insufficient funds or lack of qualified applicants.

Student Fee Advisory Committee Report – (H. Smith)

- The committee met, but H. Smith did not receive an invite and did not attend. L. Monje-Paulson will work on ensuring H. Smith is added to distribution list.

Business Item #1: Elect SAC Chair for 2022/23

- SAC needs a Chair for the next academic year.
- Release time could be lost if no committee members are willing to become Chair.
- Committee still unable to find someone to be Chair.

Business Item #2: Revise Student Grievance Policy

- The revised policy received its second reading. N. Reyes moved to pass it. H. Smith seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Policy will move forward to Executive Committee at the beginning of Fall 2022.

Business Item #3: Discuss Ruffalo Noel Levitz student satisfaction survey

- L. Monje-Paulson asked SAC for input on the student satisfaction survey regarding both questions and timing.
 - The committee was split. Pros: always good to find out how the student populace feels no matter the turmoil on campus; it could be a missed opportunity if we don't; it's a national survey to compare SSU to other universities. Cons: Too late in the year to get a decent sample size because students are swamped and ready for summer; concerns about the breadth of the survey and lack of accessibility question(s); some questions are too general; survey is very long.
- If students participate, the first 100 will win Wolfbucks.
- L. Monje-Paulson will take SAC feedback back to SA to inform their final decision.

Meeting adjourned at 11:16 pm