

Student Affairs Committee

14 October 2015, 10:00 am-11:50 am, Student Affairs Conference Room (International Hall)

Present: Ron Lopez (Chair, A&H), Nicole Lawson (LIB), S. Ayala (EDU), J. Hazelwood (A&H), George Ledin (S&T), A. Mansfield (ACE), M. Lopez-Phillips (Student Affairs)

Absent: J. Sutanonpaiboon (BUS), C. Christian (ENSP), N. Markley (Campus Life), Shannon Garcia (AS), AS Rep – Vacant

Guest: H. Emery-Ortiz (SEIE)

Agenda Approval and Minutes 9/30/15 - both approved with no changes.

Reports

Chair's Report (R. Lopez):

- Looking in to questions re: identifying places in other policies where attendance language exists to make sure that they're all updated and reflects current practice. Wants to put out advisory to all departments with model language on attendance policy. Easier to be more lenient than policy, but harder to make it more stringent.
- Likelihood that Lopez will be resigning as chair because of issue with credit redistribution for chair service (would mean a cut to his departments units). Will make decision by our next meeting. Asking ExComm to change policy so that release time units are first offered back to the department. Small departments are unevenly effected by the vagueness of policy. Lopez may also propose policy change as a motion on the senate floor.

SA Report (M. Lopez-Phillips):

- Seeing a lot of psychological distress this semester. Counseling Center had 54 new appointments in one week. Using a triage model to handle large case load. Also working to get information on police services and psych service referrals after hours out to faculty. Some committee discussion of getting more active shooter training and information shared around campus. Bottom line is that we need more counselors. Lopez-Phillips has gotten permission to hire more part time counselors out reserve funds to handle over load but space is also an issue.
- Victims Advocate position posting closing at the end of this month. Hoping for hire ASAP.
- Met with Dreamers last month to gather information on critic service needed for possible center.
- CSU is engage in NIH survey that all 23 campuses will be giving, tests for a range of things on health and well-being. Worry a little about survey fatigue.
- VPs met with the provost. Cabinet meeting with Presidential Search Committee today. Committee asks that Lopez-Phillips discuss improving classroom technology to create a baseline across all buildings. Also increasing gender and diversity representation in administration and leadership.

Campus Life (N. Markley): none

ACE (A. Mansfield):

- Event today, lots of student participation in recent programs. Have really stepped up marketing with students and faculty. Often go beyond career counseling to life planning with students. Hard to work with students in a major by default. Important to tell them major does not always equal career.
- Also concerned about active shooter policy for her own office and events that she organizes.
- Academic advising will now have additional funding for peer program to build on single student right now.
- Portfolium roll-out for all CSU campuses, very much moving campus to 21st century. Already 1,000 students using it. Hoping for an official campus launch. Very interactive and engaging software that allows students to showcase projects.
- Leadership retreat for high impact practices has been cancelled. Supposed to look at how these practices translate into the classroom and future career.

AS Report (vacant): none

Liaison Reports:

- Academic Advising Subcommittee (J. Hazelwood): committee not sure if it will continue with fewer meetings or go on hiatus. Does SAC have work to send to them? Lopez feels that there is a great need for this committee and that it should remain active. Looking at how to create resources to inform students on GE patterns and requirements for graduation.
- ATI Committee (S. Ayala): deferred
- Athletic Council (J. Sutanonpaiboon): deferred
- Fee Advisory Committee (N. Lawson): deferred
- Scholarship Committee (A. Mansfield): Award ceremony at 2pm tomorrow.
- Alcohol & Drug Advisory (R. Lopez): deferred

Business:

1. Attendance policy and class participation, Sam Brannen (T.C. 10:45am) - policy in catalog has been vetted by senate and was intended to be official policy, but never made 'blue paper'. Was time consuming and contentious at the time, but necessary. Important to have statement on course outline, acts as contract, protects faculty and student. What is needed is more support for new faculty on how to interpret the policy.

Information items:

Adjourned at 11:50am

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by N. Lawson