

## **Student Affairs Committee**

19 October 2011, 10:00 am-12pm ST 1040

**Present:** J. Mahdavi (Chair, Ed.), D. Romesburg (Soc Sci), M. Lopez-Phillips (SAEM), I. Kannana (S&T), R. Lopez (A&H), K. Thompson (Bus), T. Kerr (AS), A. Kosty (AS), L. Vega (Advising), N. Markley (A&F), Nicole Lawson (LIB)

**Absent:** None.

**Agenda:** Approved.

**Minutes of 10/5/11:** Correct date and Tony's last name.

### **Reports**

Chair's Report (J. Mahdavi):

- CMS group gathering data on what students would want from Peoplesoft in the next five years.
- CSU Online initiative moving forward. Should pay attention. We should think about what kind of student affairs/student experience would be. Also diversity. Advising, tracks, out-of-classroom and co-curricular experience?
- Provosts across CSU looking at research/scholarly contributions from faculty

SAEM Report (M. Lopez-Phillips):

- Protesters on campus impressively dealt with by students, brought up conversations for how to respond, ASI/MCC dialogue brought 70 together, Peace Rally on Thursday.
- Judicial Affairs/Orientation MPP1 search committee being formed. Seeking SAC representation along with Academic Senate appointment
- MCC Advisory Group met, still problems with scheduling. Dr. Baker and Gustavo heading search committee.
- Applicants for Career Counseling position not as strong a candidate pool as hoped.

ASI Report (A. Kosty/T. Kerr):

- AS President hosting Peace Rally for tomorrow. S. Kashack sent to students.
- Email sent to call for students to serve on committees.
- Three-hour discussion about A&F proposal to bring some of E.D.'s time for GMC and Res Life programming, coordinated with ASP. Responded favorably.
- Forwarded revised smoking policy to President, including fines.

Advising Report (L. Vega):

- ELM English/Math testing this week. GRE last Saturday—about 50% less than last year.
- Hold on EOP students who have not come in for advising on registration for next sem.
- Now do not have funds for bridge program at current numbers of EOP. So do we serve less (approx. -40) at current levels of quality in services or as many as we do now with less services? Having discussions in SAEM to evaluate.

Liaison Reports:

- Academic Advising (R. Lopez): Provost coming to next meeting. Also considering how to coordinate the various advising workgroups and committees on campus. Planning to implement a student survey about undergrad advising (last time was 2005). Will compare with previous. SAC wrote last report. Banners on holiday-themed advising

going up, free ad space in Star. SAC questions: Could faculty be included in advising assessment? Career advising and faculty?

- Athletic Council (L. Vega): Women's Volleyball had highest GPA, other teams doing well. How will athletics respond should Hooters seek to sponsor. Army reinstated.
- Scholarship Committee (I. Kanaana): Waiting.
- Fee Advisory (K. Thompson): Trying to develop most objective student center fee alternative process. Being created by staff, faculty, and ASI students. Three focus groups of 20 students each, one frosh and jr. xfers; one soph/jrs, one srs/grad students. Each will also have gender, ethnicity, financial aid status, on/off-campus. Working with reg to solicit for samples. iPads will be given away as prizes to incentivize participation. Might be facilitated by Org Dev grad students or others. Also next week forums, data collected from those. Report due Nov. 2. Decided to allow new organizations to apply for eligibility and then in a second stage, submit for IRA funding.

## Business

- Business Item #1: Resolution Regarding the Subsidization of the new CAPS Student Fee for Pell Grant Students—from SDS. First reading at Senate last week. SAC Chair seeking feedback before second reading. SAC expresses concern about how rising fees/tuition trend affecting inclusion and diversity related to socioeconomic disparity. Fee Waivers exist for families of vets and those who are full-time employees here. Demand for CAPS has gone up disproportionately since fee went into effect. Question of why this fee is specific rather than fees in general. Seems too limited, perhaps should be thought of in a broader way, based on a percentage of their fee. Concern, too, about grad students and need.
  - Motion passes: SAC believes the scope of the resolution is too limited and recommends that it be reconsidered with a more comprehensive view on fees. (9 for, 1 opposed.)**
- Business Item #2: Brainstorm: SAEM Report
  - A. Objectives—
    - Demonstrate what Student Affairs was and is, and how needs are being served or not.
    - Identify best practices, in comparison with Humboldt, Chico, MB, Channel Islands, Dominguez Hills and COPLAC, and national standards of student services.
    - Advance recommendations based on findings.
  - B. Questions/Information Desired
    - Across similar CSUs, comparison of budgetary resources/scope and breadth of divisions across campuses/detail history of SAEM and change over time/tracking units, departments, divisions
    - Vision of what Student Affairs should be
    - Look at executive orders to see what obligations exist in organization.
  - C. Next Steps: Devote half of our meeting times to workshopping from now until the completion of the report. Prepare with google docs/cloud. First hour of meeting. Possibly bring extra dept. laptops to help?

Adjourned at 11:43 am.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by D. Romesburg