

# Student Affairs Committee

26 March 2014, 10:00 a.m.-11:50 a.m., Stevenson 1056

Present: K. Thompson (Chair, SBE), M. Cohen (S&T), P. Neville (Student Union), L. Vega (EOP/Testing), S. Ayala (EDU), J. Shulman (SOC SCI), R. Lopez (A&H), M. Lopez-Phillips (CSAO), S. Anthony (AS)

Absent: A. Green (AS), N. Lawson (LIB)

Guests: S. Cabaniss (S&T), Hope Emry Ortiz (IS)

Agenda approved without changes.

Minutes 3/5/14 approved without changes.

## Reports

### Chair's Report (K. Thompson):

- 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration for faculty governance at SSU is on April 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. All SAC members invited!
- Leslie Shelton, Director of Academic Support Programs at SSU, presented at the last Senate meeting. Recommended that she visit SAC next year.
- Two new Area C2 GE courses approved: PHIL 203 and PHIL 205.
- 14408 freshman applications in; 4401 transfer applications in; 643 graduate student applications in.
- Senate will hear proposal on reorganization of Communications department and another presentation from A&F will cover budget issues.

### SA Report (M. Lopez-Phillips):

- New Administrative Assistant to the Chief of Student Affairs was hired: Ms. Sarah Casavan from Emory University.
- Student election delayed due to problems with the distribution list. Voting will take place next week.

### Res Life/CSLIS Report (P. Neville):

- All SAC members have been added to a weekly email message from Mo Phillips.
- Seawolf Decision Day preparations are underway for April 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Focus group process completed (to explore gaps in Student Life area housed in A&F). Report will come next meeting.
- Greek life: Lipjam and Greek Olympics coming.
- Positions open: 3 in AS, 3 in Res. Life, 2 in CSLIS; now interviewing. Students are part of the interview process.

### Testing/EOP (L. Vega):

- 2/3rds of the way through reviewing EOP applications.
- First time freshman grant will be \$1000.
- Will be going to EOP state conference in two weeks.
- Testing: considering offering tests during Seawolf day or a day before; no formal proposal yet.
- In communication with CSU San Diego on consequences of becoming a full-fledged testing center.
- Early assessment program will be changing in Fall 2015; expect confusion during transition period.

### AS Report (S. Anthony):

- Working with Pamela in preparing for Job Fair Day, April 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Dolores Huerta, former "work partner" of Cesar Chavez, will be presenting here on March 27<sup>th</sup>.

### Academic Advising Subcommittee (S. Ayala):

- Planning to hold graduate workshops to review ARR before graduation, April 3<sup>rd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Discussion with John Kornfeld of who will continue to have registration priority.
- Discussed problems with linked courses, such as English 101 and 102; students like cohort experience but if students fail a linked class, they get "backed into a corner."

ATI Committee (M. Lopez-Phillips):

- Preparing a report; will define three priorities for SSU.

Athletic Council (L. Vega):

- Women's Track team now approved; women are using a tent for changing.
- Issues with Tech High: pressure to make space available to Tech High students. Problem with mixing minors and adults in same changing facility.
- Working on tennis courts and baseball stadium in future.

Fee Advisory Committee (M. Lopez-Phillips):

- Waiting for final numbers before finalizing allocation amounts.
- Now in last year for two-year cycle of funding; everyone will have to reapply to ensure all are following CA state law.
- There are more requests for funding than there are funds.

Scholarship Committee (J. Shulman):

- All applications have been read; update to come next meeting.

Alcohol & Drug Advisory Committee (R. Lopez):

- Meeting coming up.

**Business:**

1. Possible revisions to form used for informal resolution of cheating and plagiarism cases

- This form is not the same as a court of law; lesser burden of proof on the professor.
- Does adding "alleged" in the title lessen the impact of the document?
- Should there be an option to confer with Student Conduct Officer?
- Revised document approved by the committee with the addition of a statement that allows for inclusion of more information by the faculty member or student on the back of the page *or* on a separate, attached sheet.

2. Addition to grade appeal policy

- Recommendation to place Executive Order language in quotes.
- Use of the word "bound" in Section I.C. is unclear; alternative language was suggested.
- Recommended changes will be incorporated and a revised document emailed to the committee.

3. Resolution on SSU Services to veterans: deferred

Information items:

Per S. Cabaniss: Diversity events upcoming; will be forwarded to the committee

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by M. Cohen