

Student Affairs Committee

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

Present: Ron Lopez (A&H), Nicole Lawson (LIB), S. Ayala (EDU), J. Sutanonpaiboon (BUS), J. Hazelwood (A&H), M. Lopez-Phillips (Student Affairs), N. Markley (Campus Life)

Absent: C. Christian (ENSP), A. Mansfield (ACE), S&T Rep – Vacant, AS Rep – Vacant, AS Rep – Vacant

Guest: L. Holmstrom-Keyes (Academic Senate Analyst), H. Emery-Ortiz (SEIE)

Agenda Approval - deferred

Reports

Chair's Report (Vacant): No report

SA Report (M. Lopez-Phillips):

- In the process of hiring for Victims Advocate position. In the meantime Dr. Williams will fill the role, she was also successful candidate for permanent director of counseling center. Additional intern hired for counseling as well.
- Parents Weekend will be 10/23- 10/25/15, Lopez-Phillips will bring agenda to future meeting.
- Met with students from Dreamers club, looking address specific needs of these students and start a 'Dream Center' as resource for these students. Also bringing in counseling and psych services.
- Looking to create co-curricular 2.0, including transcript, currently exploring software options.
- HUB has already started programming for the year. Lopez-Phillips bringing consultant to campus to start peer education program to build on past 'Just Another Party' interactive theater program. Hoping to tie in to curriculum with Scott Horstein. This program will report to Victims Advocate when hired.

Campus Life (N. Markley):

- Move-in complete. Five alcohol transports so far this year. Police have been more cautious in years past in sending students to hospital, but for the most part normal.
- Week of Welcome events successful - 5K people at big night. Clubs and orgs also recruited. Potentia was new event this year as renewal of student convocation type event. Hoping to bookend with end of year event as well. All events fairly well-attended, some fun and some academic-focused.
- Graduation Initiative group recommended better connection between co-curriculum and academic affairs. Mo Phillips is working in making those connections this year, looking for collaborations.
- Civility work group also looking at crafting 'Seawolf Commitment' (postcard distributed), 4 pillars. Neil hopes this group will present at next SAC meeting. Recommendation that integrity, respect, excellence, responsibility be defined and examples given along with language on card.
- Residential Life - focusing on sustainability, responsible consumerism, environmental stewardship. Academic themed communities have been revamped, now working with Rich Whitkus to develop faculty mentor program.

ACE (A. Mansfield): no report

AS Report (vacant): no report

Liaison Reports:

- Academic Advising Subcommittee: Jessica Hazelwood selected as SAC rep.

- ATI Committee: S. Ayala selected as SAC rep. Brent Boyer is new chair. Looking into a read program that anyone could use (like Dragon but for all campus). Meeting soon.
- Athletic Council: J. Sutanonpaiboon selected as SAC rep.
- Fee Advisory Committee: N. Lawson selected as SAC rep. AS President Mercer wants to really examine student fees (how they're charged and where funds are going).
- Scholarship Committee: Will inquire with A. Mansfield if she will be continuing on the committee this year.
- Alcohol & Drug Advisory: R. Lopez selected as SAC rep. No meetings yet, but national awareness week in October. Will meet soon to talk about programming.

Business:

1. Request from ExComm to select Chair and work on Business items –

- L. Holmstrom-Keyes attending to help start SAC meeting today .
- Per Holstrom Keyes Chair job sharing arrangement can be worked out. This person would not need to attend ExComm or Senate if no committee business.
- R. Lopez may be available to serve as Chair.
- Work for this year from ExComm:
 - Attendance policy discrepancy with Shared Responsibility and Mid-Semester Evaluation
 - Also attendance policy is not on university website, just in catalog.
 - Also need clarification as to how this policy relates to class participation. Committee discussed need for broader conversation before we determine this. Will request visit from Dwayne Dove and consult with other faculty.

2. Issue between current attendance policy and Shared Responsibility and Mid-Semester Evaluation

(<http://www.sonoma.edu/UAffairs/policies/shared.htm>) attached – Committee agrees to invite Dwayne to a future meeting to explain history of policy and impact on student athletes. Also Holmstrom-Keyes will send some background on last SAC discussion of policy. Should one replace the other?

3. Issues with current attendance policy – Class Attendance last review by SAC in 2011, some language changes before final approval in Senate.

4. Discussion of impacted student housing – Some dorms tripled (Cabernet) and new off-campus housing is often outside of student price range. Would the campus look in to creating International House. Report written by International Student office in 2011, Hope could provide. Must be aware of related issues like other groups who will request specialize housing.

5. Elect Chair – N. Lawson nominated R. Lopez, S. Ayala seconds. R. Lopez elected unanimously by committee.

Information items: Per H. Emery-Ortiz Study Abroad Fair will be held 9/24.

Adjourned at 11:50am

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by N. Lawson