

Student Affairs Committee

8 February 2012, 10:00 am-12pm ST 1040

Present: J. Mahdavi (Chair, Ed.), D. Romesburg (Soc Sci), Nicole Lawson (LIB), K. Thompson (Bus), Katie Havens (AS), M. Lopez-Phillips (SAEM), P. Neville (for N. Markley (A&F), R. Lopez (A&H), L. Vega (Advising)

Absent: I. Kanaana (S&T), (Second AS appointee, unappointed)

Agenda: Approved with added Athletics Sponsorship Discussion.

Minutes of 1/25/11: Approved.

Reports

Chair's Report (J. Mahdavi): Expansive cuts will leave us far poorer than ever before (\$2.3+1.4 million cuts plus, if Gov's tax does not pass, another \$4.6 million. All permanent cuts.)

SAEM Report: If one division had to face total scope of cuts, it could, for example, lead to total elimination of SAEM staff, basically. MCC staff position hiring moving forward. Search committee putting three top candidates by end of week, hoping to make offer by next week. Dr. Lamont Hill coming to speak tonight at 7:30 Pearson about First Class Prisons, Third Class Schools. SAEM likely to have to cut another \$230,000. Discussion with ASI on bridging costs for critical issues.

ASI Report (K. Havens): Election applications out, due 2/17. Referendum reform issue will come back with greater clarity later. Endorsed Real-Time Rideshare Program. Buck Starts Here campaign collecting testimonies from students/faculty on how cuts affecting us to be sent to legislature. Rally 2/23.

Res Life (P. Neville): Move to A&F division under entrepreneurial activities last fall now underway in implementation. Also trying to figure out how to do things with fewer resources, likely that will not make it seemless for students—fundamental shift. Reluctant to monetize student activities and functions further. Greek system continues to expand. Sport clubs another example of assumed campus costs (liability) to promote involvement, but in dire times, could be made to assume own costs more.

Advising Report (L. Vega): Undeclared advising tapered off, thanks to student peer advisors. Not seeing faculty onsite yet. EOP 12% increase in applications over last year. Testing happening almost every month until summer.

Liaison Reports:

- Academic Advising (R. Lopez): Advising Summit on Monday, 9-10:30. How can we communicate shifts in campus as advisors to the campus community? How can efforts be better coordinated? Also, A&H advising center where Project Censored used to be. Learning Communities registration happening in March.
- Fee Advisory (K. Thompson): Had concerns around clarity on referendum election codes. On 5F: maybe should not be elected monitor as student—perhaps staff/admin/faculty, esp. how perceived from outside. On 6 1st paragraph, does it suggest unchartered student groups not covered? Greater clarity of working? In 6C: Compliant with Title V? Like that cap put on. Also thought possible limits on individual spending. Spending cap of \$1k—

too much? Required reporting of expenditures? What consequences for violation? Switch order of 8A(how appeal board established)/B.

- No Reports: Scholarship Committee, Athletic Council

Business

- Elect SAC chair for 2012-13: K. Thomson stands for chair, moved and seconded. M. Lopez-Phillips underscores scope and depth of challenge in next term. Unanimous.
- Academic Calendar Guidelines: Revisions (EPC document): Advised some changes, but feel it needs many revisions.
- Athletics Sponsorship Discussion: L. Vega notes last term, Athletics Director asked AAC what they thought about Hooters sponsorship. AAC asked whether a sponsorship could be turned down if in general other similar establishments had been approved. Should there be a larger policy for the university? Should logos be a part of the conversation? Are guidelines/principles there? As greater resources are required from the community and corporate interests, how can we clarify this? Should it refer to the diversity statement, mission, nondiscrimination policy? Should it be a bigger policy, set of guidelines, policy for university? What larger policies and guidelines currently exist, such as the Fundraising Event Administration, that it could be put in alignment. Example of late 1980s/early 1990s banning of campus alcohol ads in stadiums—is there a NCAA guideline? Should we create guidelines in a climate where guidelines might preclude our getting needed funds? **SAC advises that the university follow AAC recommendations that the DIA refuse and/or avoid seeking a sponsorship from Hooters Restaurant until due diligence has been done on the broader issue of sponsorship policies or guidelines.** Unanimous.

Workshop: Tabled to next meeting.

Adjourned at 11:50 am.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by D. Romesburg