

Student Affairs Committee
Meeting of 3/22/06

Attendance

Karin Enstam, Janet Swing, Greg Roberts, Doug Jordan, Brigitte Lahme, Paula Hammett, Eric Halmstrom

Absent: Mark Fermanich, Katharyn Crabbe,

Recorder: Brigitte Lahme

Minutes of 3/8/06

Approved with the following changes:

Executive Committee report and Academic Senate report: Capitalize S in Senate.

Agenda of 3/22/06

Approved as follows:

1. **05/06:6** Course Repeat Policy
2. **05/06:7** Honors at Graduation Policy
3. **05/06:9** NCAA Self Study
4. **05/06:10** Cheating and Plagiarism Policy
5. **05/06:3** Student Background Check Policy (T.C. 11:30, Guest: Elaine Sundberg)
6. **05/06:11** Resolution to Endorse Core Academic Values

Reports:

Executive Committee report by Doug Jordan: The following topics were discussed:

- Giving the faculty teaching and staff awards at commencement is time consuming. We will still do it this year but may change the practice of when the award is given next year.
- Resolution about the Green Music Center was discussed.
- AS senate passed a resolution on student suffrage.

Academic Senate report by Doug Jordan:

- Kay Dorner, principal from Tech High School and some of her students talked to the senate. The students really like the experience of going to school here.
- The Priority Registration Policy had its first reading.
- The statewide senate is running a deficit of \$100,000. Campuses will have to vote on possibly reducing the size of the senate to save money.

SAEM report: No report.

ACE report by Janet Swing: The career center ran a very successful business etiquette dinner. There will be a very large job fair on April 6 indicating the best job market in a long time. New student transfer orientation will be on April 7. As of right now, more than 700 students have paid their enrollment reservation deposit. Housing may become an issue for students who will not be able to live on campus.

AS report by Eric Halstrom: Students are planning to protest about the voting issue before the Senate meeting on Thursday.

Academic Advising Subcommittee Report by Mark Fermanich: No report.

Campus Climate Committee report by Paula Hammett: Combining the ICC director and the Women Resources Center director into one position with additional functions brings up the concern that no group will be served well in the future.

Fee Advisory Committee report by Greg Roberts: Janet attended the last meeting. The committee is planning to have hearings for IRA funding on March 25/26.

Athletic Advisory Council report by Karin Enstam: No report..

Scholarship Committee report: Scholarship reading are done.

Business

05/06:6: Course Repeat Policy

SAC will send a memo in support of the current policy to the University Standards Subcommittee.

05/06:7: Honors at Graduation Policy

The committee edited a letter Doug composed to President Arminana in response to the student's letter we discussed at the last meeting.

05/06:9: NCAA Self Study

The athletics program is currently undergoing the NCAA self study. As part of the study the program has to respond to a long survey. The Athletic Advisory Council is asking for SAC's feedback on several issues pertaining to athlete support and profiles. Karin will take SAC's suggestions back to the council.

05/06:3 Student Background Check Policy

Elaine Sundberg discussed issues regarding students going into the community as part of their experience at SSU. We have many programs where students work in the community. The Chancellor's office published a best practices handbook that is available in the Office of Community Based Learning. The issues of student background checks is one of risk management. Who is liable if something goes wrong while a student works in a community program? Currently a service learning program has to develop an MOU with the community agency their students are working with so that it is clear that the student is covered through the agency. In cases where a program cannot obtain such an MOU, students should be signed up as SSU volunteers. That way they are covered through SSU. From a legal point of view, passing a policy without providing the resources to implement the policy would make the campus more vulnerable towards lawsuits than the current practice.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 am.