

Student Affairs & Campus Life Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday September 20, 2010 - 3:30 p.m.
James B. Chavis University Center – Room 233

Present: Judy Curtis, Diane Jones, Jamie Litty, Patricia Fields, Melanie Hoy, Nathan Phillippi, Arjay Quizon, Kevin McLean, Baxter Williams

Guests: Dr. Lisa Shaeffer & Dr. Monica Osburn

Absent: Yanissa Perez de Leon, Sarah Lineberger, Lee Stocks

- I. Call to Order
Dr. Litty called the meeting to order at 3:34 PM
- II. Move by chair to elect Secretary of Committee for purposes of Meeting Minutes.
Discussion; Motion tabled
- III. Approval of April 19, 2010 Minutes
Minutes approved
- IV. Approval of Agenda for this meeting
Agenda approved as presented.
- V. Special Report from CARE Team
Dr. Shaeffer summarized the CARE Team program that is now in place and provided handouts. She showed online reporting form although it's not required. Dr. Osburn gave examples of "students of concern." The program is preventative, not punitive. Arjay Quizon asked for CARE presentation to come to SGA meeting. Dr. Jones asked SACL committee for ideas to get the word out.
- VI. Report from the Chair
 - a. Dr. Litty presented a proposal to amend the wording of the Faculty Handbook to reflect the fact that there are now two co-Chief Marshalls, and that the Handbook gives one vote to one Chief Marshal.

"The Student Affairs and Campus Life Committee will consist of ~~eleven~~ **12 voting members, or 13 when co-chief marshals have been appointed:**

. . . . Three students, **or four on those occasions when there are co-Chief Marshals.** . . .
 - b. Discussion of change
 - c. Amendment to add representative from Student Publication Board (SPB) to SACL also.

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. . . **6. One representative from the Student Publications Board.**
 - d. Vote on Dr. Litty's proposal and change concerning representative from SPB. Passed by acclamation. Dr. Litty will forward to Executive Committee and/or Faculty Governance Committee, as these changes affect the Senate by-laws and constitution.

VII. Report from Dr. Diane Jones, Vice-Chancellor for Student Affairs

- a. Enrollment is up to 6,944 and this is the largest enrollment ever, but freshmen figure is down slightly at 10,57. Transfers are up slightly at 587. Undergraduate population is 6,164. Graduate is 780. The retention rate from last year was 72.7%, which is an improvement in retention of approximately 4%.
- b. Construction of the new residence hall for upperclassmen is underway on the north end of campus. There is a naming contest.
- c. There is a learning community that was organized for this school year, a "Leadership Learning Community" of 32 students who live in Pine Hall.
- d. Health insurance coverage for students increased this year, with no co-pay. A wellness benefit and vision plan are offered.
- e. Dr. Jones reported that Student Health Services has reported four new cases of MRSA.

VIII. Patricia Fields, Executive Director of GPAC, reviewed upcoming events. Discussed complimentary tickets for SACL members, for parents during Parents' Weekend, and mentioned that Distinguished Speaker Series is free this year.

IX. New Business

- a. The committee decided to rotate the secretary duties for each meeting. Senator Phillippi volunteered for the next meeting, Patricia Fields for November.
- b. Old Business came up at this time, when Ms. Fields noticed on last month's minutes a comment about re-visiting Provost Harrington's idea about a medallion-type annual award and cash prize for one student at commencement, along the lines of a "President's Medal" that he has seen elsewhere. The Provost never spoke to SACL to explain his idea because he resigned. There is no impetus from SACL members at this time to follow through with this idea.
- c. Dr. Litty asked that committee members forward requests for guest speakers/reports to her to co-ordinate. Dr. George Gressman will be invited for next month to discuss findings from the freshman wellness survey.

X. Announcements: Pembroke Day is next week, on Wednesday.

XI. Adjournment

The committee adjourned at 4:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Baxter Williams, Secretary