

Student Life Committee (SLC) Meeting

September 27, 2011
Warden Dining Room
Cornell Campus Center

Minutes

Members present: Jenny Queen, Dan Chong, Alice Davidson, Susan Montgomery, Julia Maskivker, Dan Crozier, Lito Valdivia, Drew Doty, Diana Nay, Raquel Ells, David Gevorgyan, Randi Alberry, Billy Kennedy

Guests present: Trish Moser, Adrienne Benso

Jenny Queen called the meeting to order at 12:38.

Minutes from the September 6 meeting were approved as amended; Lito Valdivia's last name was spelled incorrectly.

Announcements:

- 1) JQ announced that the faculty passed the proposed pub on campus resolution at the September 22 faculty meeting
- 2) Campus Center Renovation – AD presented what was discussed at campus center renovation meeting.
 - Meeting held last Monday, September 19 and the committee met with Brent Turner and Gerard Short, director of dining services. Two architects were also present and taking notes on the ideas generated by the survey.
 - Ideas discussed included
 - Relocating C-Store to where Bierberbach is currently and move Bierberbach downstairs.
 - Putting Brent Turner's office in the center.
 - Moving the staircase away from the entrance.
 - Architects will come back with designs
 - The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 3 at 3:00, Biblab
 - TM said that there has been no discussion on time frame nor cost
 - JQ presented an email from BT discussing the meeting
 - Hope to get approval for possible budget at October Board of Trustees meeting
 - JQ mentioned that there is interest in getting more lake view in the building
 - DD and AD will attend next meeting on Monday, Oct. 3.

Attendance Policy: : JQ announced that the attendance policy was tabled at the 9/22 A&S faculty meeting because we ran out of time for discussion

- JQ asked for committee input to untable the policy at the next faculty meeting. She will present it “as is” and ask faculty to vote on it “as is”
- Discussion by faculty at the meeting surrounded the lack of definition of “college business” and how it may cause problems in enforcing it
- DChong expressed that it may be hard to pass at the faculty meeting “as is”
- AD reemphasized that it is the responsibility of the student to notify the professor
- DChong stated that the policy allows for faculty discretion
- LV stated that the policy allows for faculty to make sense of it
- Discussion followed on the intricacies of the terms in the policy
Nothing in the policy states where the student can “state their case” to the administration
- Decision reached to untable at next faculty meeting, discuss, and bring it to vote as it was passed by this committee last year

Old Business

JQ - Original Posthumous Degree Policy distributed to committee

- JQ suggested language to amend the policy to remove the Dean of Faculty and replace with “appropriate Program Dean”
- JQ indicated that the policy is more of a Public Relations issue rather than an academic one which is why SLC is involved and not AAC.
- JQ indicated that the vague wording in on purpose
- JQ requested input from the committee
- DChong asked if it should go to AAC
- JQ said upon reviewing minutes that the request came from Karen Hater.
- JQ suggested that we present the revised policy at the next faculty meeting
- LV thought that the abbreviations should be written out

JQ stated that the there is no comparable committee in other schools, SL may get a voting member from College of Professional Studies

New Business

Policy for Student travel funds

- JQ suggested we table this topic until next meeting

- Emergency System failure & on-campus incidents: Discussion canceled because it is addressed in the open forum (happening simultaneously with this meeting)
- High Impact Practices Advisory Committee – Dchong
 - DChong has been asked by DoC to co-chair
 - He explained “high impact practices” such as RCC, collaborative research which improve student learning
 - Current there is a working group “High Impact practices” who he co-chairs with Micki Meyer
 - The purpose of the committee is to get student affairs departments to better coordinate offices and their work
 - The committee would be comprised of faculty and staff
 - There may be some overlap in the work of the SLC and the High Impact Practices Advisory Committee
 - JQ: would ask that the High Impact Advisory Committee allow for a SLC faculty representative
 - DChong could serve as the rep this year but there is a need to continue that representation
 - SLC agreed endorse the High Impact Practice Advisory Committee assuming that SLC has faculty representation

Other Announcements

- 1) TM — open meeting on Friday at 9:00am, Bush Auditorium to discuss the recommendations of student success initiatives including HIPA Committee
 - Second mtg on Thursday Oct. 6 at 3:30 in Bush Auditorium
- 2) RA: Progressive Dinner at the Residence Halls, on Wednesday, Sept. 28, beginning at 7:00 at Corinne Hall
- 3) Residence Life to meet with SLC later in the semester
- 4) DChong announced the Diversity Dialogue will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 28 from 6:00 – 7:30 at SunTrust Auditorium.
- 5) SM asked for a student rep to serve as the Liaison to Olin Library to help facilitate communication between SGA and Olin Library. Randi Alberry agreed to serve as the liaison.
- 6) Next meeting Oct. 18 at 12:30 Warden Dining Hall

Meeting adjourned at 1:40 pm