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**Minutes**  
**Student Life Committee Meeting**  
**1/26/10 12:30-1:45 Olin Library Bib Lab**

Members Present: Denise Cummings, Ashley Kistler, Patricia Tomé, Derrick Paladino, Creston Davis, Mahjabeen Rafiuddin, Cristina Figueroa, Amanda Moreno, Husdon Atkins, Alex Brown, Micki Meyer, William Boles

Guests: Davida Marziale, Alison Wallrapp, Jerrid Kalakay, Brent Turner

- I. Call to Order
- II. Move to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved.
- III. Announcements
  - a. The Provost is leaving, and the E.C. organized a group before Christmas to plan how to approach the position's absence. In past, Provosts have come out of the faculty or the campus. The current mindset on E.C. is not to use a headhunting firm, but instead to place an ad in The Chronicle. If we do not receive any qualified applicants, we may use headhunting firm. The search committee will be composed of 2-3 Arts and Sciences faculty. President Duncan wants the committee to consist of 2 representatives from Arts and Sciences and a separate individual, one or two students, from Holt. The search will be done before Roger leaves in July. Currently, the committee plans to conduct airport interviews, and narrow the pool down to four candidates. A new committee of administrators will be formed to decide who we want to hire. Members of the second body have not been identified by name. Voting on the committee makeup is scheduled for the upcoming faculty meeting. Four names have been proposed by E.C., and the voting will be open to nominations. Cummings asks how student representatives to the committee will be selected. Boles responds that it will depend on who is available, since this process is a major time commitment.
  - b. The discussion shifts to the composition of the Provost search committee. Rafiuddin talks about diversity and requests that the committee be made fully diverse, culturally, racially, in gender, ideas and perspectives, etc.
- IV. Old Business
  - a. Housing meetings: Boles reports that three residential organization were previously on probation: now, one is off probation, Chi Psi, and that X Club is still on residential probation because of membership issues—need to have enough people to fill their house. ATO was not successful in the review process, and so they appealed and their appeal was denied, and they lost Strong Hall.

Now, different organizations will be able to apply for housing: Strong Hall and Mowbray House will be available. The process will now shift to an every third year review cycle. Cummings asks how the residential organizations have responded to the process. Turner replies that the students are presenting to a very small group of people and would like to find a broader audience to show what they are doing well. Cummings suggests that we could have a link on the website from Office of Student Involvement where the ROs could put their reports, make everything available to a broader audience and highlight their achievements and successes.

- b. Membership Bylaw change: Boles reports that there was a question at E.C. as to why we need the Dean and a member of her staff to both be on the committee. Will a staff member be honest about his/her opinions if the Dean is there?. How will the voting work? What are our feelings? Meyer responds that there was a reason for this change. Fogelson was not the president of the faculty at the time, there were no Sunshine laws that allowed student affairs people at the table. Either DOSA was not at the table, or they had misinformation when things were happening in that forum. People doing the same work in different settings and there was a lack of communication. There needs to be a lot more communication between SLC and Student Affairs. If this committee is still going to deal specifically with student affairs related issues, then that voice should be at the table. Paladino agrees. Boles asks how voting will work for these representatives. Meyer responds that everyone from campus will still vote, but they need to be given a slate
- c. Update on Learning Green: Cummings reports that a subcommittee will be meeting and there will be an update afterwards. Meyer suggests that we invite Jacob Park, a Visiting Scholar at the Winter Park Institute, expert in sustainability, to participate, since he has great ideas.
- d. Social Honor Code: Boles states that we would like to get it out to the students and then back to E.C. and then to faculty. On Tues, Feb. 9 or Feb. 16, we will have a room on campus, instead of a colloquium, for people to stop by and discuss it. Wallrapp and Brown discuss how to publicize it among the students. They will start by discussing it in SGA and they will have meetings for students to attend. They will also go door to door or host dorm meetings. Boles asks if SGA has the manpower to cover that. Turner replies that they could use governing bodies in the dorms, use the Rollins plan mode, have community events in Dave's and have office hours in the campus center for students to stop by. They could host one meeting for each dorm and could have one for all of the Greek organizations.

V. New Business

- a. Jerrid Kalakay discusses a new program, Advisor Match, which is something his office is working on. Currently, his office has 157 student organizations on record and they are trying to develop an easier way to get faculty involved, as student organizations often have a difficult time connecting with faculty and staff. This program would connect these groups with someone to be their advisor. Faculty would fill out form, and then his office would create a database, for when student organizations are in transition or are starting up. Rafiuddin states that there are 13 culturally-affiliated student organizations. What extra support do they need? What purpose does OMA serve, philosophically and ideologically for these organizations? The group discusses how to best approach faculty about this issue. The last survey was done a while ago, and Cummings states that it wouldn't hurt to do it again, as the new faculty weren't part of the survey and might want to get involved. Boles replies that we may not get a great response via email. Meyer suggests that we send it out through Student Life Committee, or make it a zoomerang survey. Boles disagrees, stating that he doesn't think people want to do a survey. Wallrapp suggests that we pass it out at the faculty meeting. Boles concurs, stating that we could do it at the Feb 25th meeting.
- b. The Divide between Holt and A and S: Boles states that we need to decide what the relationship between the two schools is with regards to standards? Does the Honor Code include Holt? Rafiuddin and Meyer state that we can't be successful with two separate systems. We need to decide how the rules apply to each school in order to ensure fairness. Paladino reminds the committee that Provost Casey has had meetings to address how Holt fits into A and S. Tomé comments that there are a lot of A and S students who take Holt classes and it is confusing to have two sets of rules when you have both sets of students in the class. Cummings responds that field studies are also very uncomfortable when there are a mix of Holt and A and S students there and there are different rules applying. Kalakay concurs with Mahjabeen's comments.

VI. Meeting is Adjourned at 1:45pm.