Minutes, Arts & Sciences Student Life Committee Meeting, Tuesday, September 11, 2007

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Student Life Committee for the Arts and Sciences  
Minutes for September 11, 2007  
Bush Science Center #105  
12:30 – 1:45pm  

Members Present: P. Harris, J. Chambliss, K. Dennis, W. Hamby, M. Kovarik, K. Miller, P. Parker, J. Queen, K. Sutherland

I. Introductions

II. Volunteer to needed to be recording secretary (i.e. take minutes) & put us in compliance with by-laws
   a. M. Kovarik agrees  
   b. J. Queen as backup

III. Announcements
   a. New Faculty President will institute more structure, so we will here, too

IV. Old Business
   a. Amendments to Honor Code passed by Executive Committee again (see attachment)
      i. P. Harris states this was done at last EC meeting and will not need to go before entire faculty
   b. Social Honor Code & Community Standards and Responsibility
      i. P. Harris met with D. Lee and D. Weithofer
      ii. SHC will come from Chase Hall with SLC seeing it and giving feedback
      iii. No formal document will be brought before the general faculty

V. New Business
   a. Appointments to CSR Appellate Board and Administrative Panel (see attachment)
      i. Appellate Board will be P. Harris (has traditionally been chair of SLC)
      ii. Administrative Panel will be J. Chambliss & K. Dennis agrees (J. Queen will serve as backup if workload becomes too heavy)
   b. Review of bylaws pertaining to Student Life Committee (see attachment)
      i. We are now in compliance
      ii. Two sentences broadly define our responsibilities
   c. Goal setting for 2007-2008 agenda
      i. Information gathering (meetings/focus groups)
         1. W. Hamby announced Town Hall style meetings in Dorms run by SGA & LEAD. Asked that 1 or 2 members of this committee be present at meetings. Committee agreed this was a good idea.
         2. M. Kovarik asked W. Hamby about feeling on campus toward Freshman only living in newly renovated Ward Hall. W. Hamby admitted that there was some animosity by upperclassman regarding lack of transparency of the process. K. Miller brought up disparity between “best” living situations on campus and “worst.” K. Sutherland mentioned that several students talked about bad living
conditions being reason for students moving off campus. Some discussion ensued about Rollins not living up to its small liberal arts college ideals. Committee asked to tour dorms and have fact finding meetings with Res Life regarding upcoming plans for renovations. K. Miller agreed to set this up. Aiming for tour during a common hour with L. Haynes and S. Bitikofer.

ii. Faculty involvement in co-curriculum
   1. K. Miller expressed concern that faculty were not involved enough outside the classroom. Cited the lack of sponsorship/involvement in Greek life and clubs. Acknowledged that this was in part due to lack of recognition in doing so. P. Harris commented that PSC was looking to retrain FEC in evaluating faculty portfolios for tenure. Thought it would be a good time for us to pair with PSC and more broadly define service to the college community to include activities in co-curriculum.
   2. Committee decided this will be the big one we focus on in coming year. Achieving it will probably lead to iii and iv.

iii. Greater connection between faculty life and student life
   1. P. Parker requested that we add “staff life” to this item.
   2. Everyone agreed.

iv. “Seamless” curriculum/co-curriculum as part of curricular reform

v. Integrating Academic and Social Honor Codes
   1. Pie in the Sky agenda item
   2. D. Lee told P. Harris that Rollins might have missed a big opportunity by not doing them together.
   3. Committee decided it was better to take it in small pieces

VI. Adjournment
   a. Double checked future meetings (moved 11/1 meeting to 11/6)
   b. Will meet again 10/11 or dorm tour. Whatever comes first.