Minutes, College of Liberal Arts Student Life Committee Meeting, Tuesday, October 25, 2016

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1. Call to Order
   a. In attendance
      i. Nathan Arrowsmith (staff), Chair, cupcakes are delicious!
      ii. Jen Atwell (staff)
      iii. Gay Biery-Hamilton (faculty)
      iv. Amanda Byrnes (SGA)
      v. Karen Cornett (SGA)
      vi. Hannah Ewing (faculty), SHIP Co-Chair
      vii. Alexa Gordon (staff)
      viii. Muniba Khan (SGA)
      ix. Destinee Lott (staff)
      x. Matt Nichter (staff)
      xi. Jim Norris (faculty)
      xii. Ellane Park (faculty), SHIP Co-Chair
      xiii. Lexi Tomkunas (SGA)
      xiv. Meghan Harte Weyant (DOS)
          1. Absent: Mae Fitchett (staff)
          2. Absent: Theo Schutz (student)
   
2. Approval of Minutes
   a. Minutes approved
      i. Jim Norris (first)
      ii. Gay Biery-Hamilton (second)

3. SHIP Report
   a. We funded 1 application and rejected 3.
      i. Advancing money, return receipts, etc., is not an acceptable policy. So we’re working to find a new solution that works with Finance’s policies. Hannah/Nate will be contacting Gabriel Barreneche.
         1. First SHIP application that was approved is being processed through the Dean of The Faculty office with their P-Card. Student is going to a biology conference and presenting a poster.
      ii. We have tried to use this SHIP as a “grant,” but we tried to move away from it. There are reasons why we want more accountability, but we understand that paying up front is not always an option.
         1. If SHIP recipients break policies of receiving this money, is this an academic or social conduct violation?
   b. Next round of applications are due: November 17.

4. Community Standards & Responsibility Review:
   a. Meghan Harte Weyant
      i. Students can appeal their CSR review process. Dr. Weyant is interested in learning the common themes, and is interested in seeing if there are any problems with the process of CSR.
      ii. Would like volunteers from staff, faculty, and students from SLC.
iii. Time commitment: Open and flexible, but completed by the end of the academic year. Completion by mid-Spring for implementation by next academic year.
   1. Volunteers:
      a. Gay Biery-Hamilton
      b. Lexi Tomkuna

5. CARE Team
   a. Meghan Harte Weyant
      i. Review high-level student care concerns on campus. Open to SLC faculty/staff to learn what student concerns are trending.
      ii. Redacted student experience/concern and issues on campus could be presented to Student Life Committee meeting.
      iii. Meetings are Tuesdays from 9:30 – 11 a.m.
      iv. The committee would like a list of themes, issues during our meeting of SLC.

6. Food Service Committee
   a. Summary by Alexa Gordon
      i. Wednesday, October 19 at noon.
      ii. Interested in student voices. Food committee is a place for suggestions (not complaints).
         1. Dietary needs
         2. Kosher needs
         3. Hillel needs
      iii. Event space in the Rice Family Bookstore location was a top topic of conversation. Bookstore’s new space should be open by January.
         1. Student concerns on meals (that cannot be assisted by Sodexo), the student can speak to DOS, and accommodations can be made.

7. Value of a Residential Life Experience
   a. Ask for responses about why students do or do not live on campus.
   b. Dr. Cornwell has a background in a four year living requirement, Rollins is two year living requirement. We’re going to be a part of compiling information with a list of direct reasons.
   c. https://rollins.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_7TINSHe9D5qyZmd
   d. 1320 beds are available for students each year. If Rollins transitioned into a four year living requirement, we would need to build more room.
   e. Lexi is tabling next Friday on November 4.
      i. This survey will be shared with students at the tabling event.
      ii. Link will be posted on SGA Facebook page.
   f. Report is due on December 1.

8. rFLA
   a. Gay Biery-Hamilton
      i. Student trying to get into level 200 course. In Mysteries & Marvels. There is only 1 faculty member at the level 200 arts. If there are not enough choices, we’re losing students because of this.
ii. Suggestion: Allow students to take more classes outside of their neighborhoods.

b. Muniba Khan
   i. Choices don’t always apply to student interests.

c. Amanda Byrnes, Peer Mentor
   i. Freshman are confused about rFLA program. Students attended panel with a different expected outcome.

d. Lexi Tomkunas, Peer Mentor
   i. Restrictions on the program, and if the level 200 course doesn’t fit with your schedule, it’s difficult to fit into schedule, and are at common class times.

e. Matt Nichter
   i. If there is a set of common confusions, could some questions/concerns that could be helped with a FAQs.
   ii. New students are being confused, and peer mentors aren’t familiar enough with system to assist.

f. rFLA Boot Camp on Friday.

g. Dr. Weyant: Future solution, adjust date of advising Boot Camp, and do a Boot Camp (in RCC300) for Peer Mentors. Then students would have more information during choosing plan.

9. Next Meeting
   a. November 10 at 12:30 p.m.
   b. Calendar invitation and meeting location will be announced soon.
   c. Ellane Park will not be in attendance.

10. Meeting adjourned at 1:19 p.m.
    a. Jim Norris (second)