Minutes for the Student Affairs and Campus Life Committee (SA&CL)
Mon., Oct. 20th, 2014
3:30pm
University Center - 213

Members of the Committee:
Brooke Kelly, Senator and Chair
Rose Stremlau, Faculty Member and Secretary

Judy Curtis, Senator, Chair of Student Publications Board
Lydia Gan, Faculty Member
Cierra Harris, Student Government Association
John Jones, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs
Biruk Kassaw, SGA president
Erik Tracy, Faculty Member
Aaron Vandermeer, Senator

In addition: Cammie Hunt, Engaged Outreach and Darek Hunt, Regional Center

Order of Business

A. Call to Order at 3:36 by Chair Kelly

B. Approval of Sept. 15, 2014 Minutes
   a. Circulated in advance; approved

C. Approval of Agenda

D. Report from the Chair
   a. Update on e-cigarettes policy; currently under review by other committees
   b. Faculty in Art will discuss functional sculptures as ongoing campus beautification project

E. Report from the Chair, Student Publication Board (Judy Curtis)
   a. Board has met, but has not conducted new business

F. Report from Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs
   a. Tuition and fees evaluation process underway; first of four committee meetings already has met; will have two student forums: 10/28 at 3 pm UC and 11/4 at 6 pm in Pine Hall – will consider increasing student fees of 5% or $87 and tuition increase of 5% or $300
   b. New bonfire policy after first successful bonfire for Parents’ Weekend
   c. Homecoming upcoming and all are encouraged to attend

G. Report from Student Government Association
a. SGA raised $565.80 for campus food pantry
b. Will host ASG on November 21-22 and would like faculty support
c. GA will send representative to UNCP on Nov. 12 at 5:15
d. Event in November on honor code and social media in response to new technologies, including YikYak
e. Urges increased relationships among student, staff, and faculty to share governance and create more social connections
f. Lack of student parking in convenient locations has lead to commuter students parking in residential slots rather than those designated for them; Aaron suggested asking for reduced rate for football lot to encourage commuter students to park there
g. Campus closure during fall break – the closure of food and other campus services during holidays and weekends encourages students to go home and may, as a result, impact school spirit and retention; Aaron asked for comparison of retention rates are between commuter students and residential student populations; John suggested overall research shows residential students more engaged and likely to stay in school, and Biruk will bring UNCP numbers from Institutional Affairs to next meeting

H. Old Business
a. Summer camps on campus
   i. Aaron summarized concerns raised last meeting about the Music Department’s interest in hosting overnight summer camps on campus; currently, department hosts one-day camps; would like to develop plan and process that could be template (e.g. cost/camper) for all departments who want to host over-night grade and high school-aged campers; sees this as part of long-term recruitment efforts
      1. Invited guests Cammie Hunt and Darek Hunt responded and provided information about costs and infrastructure
         a) Darek explained costs include housing and food per day and staffing (day instructors during the day and then RAs in the evenings); including professors as instructors would add to cost per day; totals commonly $300-400/week
         b) Cammie explained process goes through Regional Center, particularly Mary Beth Locklear, who will work with departments; more camps gets costs down, for example, by sharing RAs; also developed application process through DoIt, which has made it easy to register and pay in full; payment system is through Regional System now and hopefully will be online soon
         c) Aaron asked if counselors could be majors; Cammie Explained that positions have to be posted through HR and qualifications can be written to limit pool of applicants to particular backgrounds and skill sets;
Darek said day staff compensated at $9.50/hour and residential counselors paid more
d) Darek explained that camps don’t make money but they have to break even, and Cammie explained the budget is handled with each department
e) In response to Judy’s question, Cammie clarified that university handles background checks
f) Darek said university wants to add residential camps in order to increase reach of UNCP and he and Cammie listed current offerings: medi-camp, leadership, SAT, Junior Braves, all-sports, cheerleading, Legoland (which is a STEM camp), DOT camp (engineering)
g) Aaron suggested a “Taste of College” camp for juniors and seniors designed to help them decide what they interested in and to prepare for
h) Lydia asked about lead time; Darek said Mary Beth now handles this, which has streamlined process and now have models through which to work – templates exist for some programs, like Lego, and others, like medi are built on campus; re: resource allocation, internal camps receive priority; now planning for summer 2015 with early December deadline for materials to print shop for brochure
i) Darek said some schools have money for this and some businesses willing to sponsor students through Office of Advancement

b. Renovation of University Center and UC Annex
i. John shared outcome of University Center Feasibility Study, which was product of faculty, staff, and student tour of university centers across the state and work with consulting film Brailsford and Dunlavey
   1. Summary of recommendations (data will be shared via Brooke)
      a) Current building is not efficient and does not satisfy campus demands – this is a dining room and not a living room; students tend to come to eat or drink and don’t use other services available
      b) Solutions include maximizing outdoor space, including promotion of UNCP brand and school spirit; satisfy demand for particular services; and make office space available to students
      c) Some suggestions cost prohibitive and most work will not be done until UNCP pays off Annex construction, which hopefully will be by 2019; 4 phases of construction likely
a. Phases 1 and 2 are exterior site improvements and joining of two buildings with some start of structure

I. New Business
   a. Interim Suspension Policy
      i. John explained actually an old policy but some faculty concerned about how it is now being enforced, particularly treats student as guilty before student conduct hearing conducted because cannot be on campus and in class
      ii. John explained that code of conduct is 10 years old and needs updated because no longer best practices
      iii. Campus Appeal Board upheld removal in particular incident because individual presence makes campus less safe; Director of Student Conduct will now inform chairs and faculty about status of suspended students

J. Adjournment at 4:52