Facilities, Support Services and Technology Committee

March 11, 2015

Minutes

Present: J. Artiss, R. Ackerman, I Avrutsky, M. Barnes, K. Kumasi, J. Moseley, L. Pile, T. Bazzi

Absent with Notice: L. Samavati, J. Sawasky, T. R. Reddy, J Withey

Absent: B. Morrow, H. Matthew, D. Golodner

Meeting began at 10:00AM.

Next Meeting: March 11, 2015, 10:00AM, Rm. 1270 FAB

I. WELCOME:

II. MERRILL PALMER SKILLMAN INSTITUTE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER- Anna G. Miller.

Ms. Miller presented a detailed description of the Early Childhood Education Centers that are located at 4500 Cass Ave. and 87 E. Ferry (Copy Attached). The centers were established in 1922 as lab schools that provide research services to numerous researchers on campus. Programs are offered to preschoolers aged 2½-5 years of age from September to May. Enrolment of children in the various research studies is not a requirement. The centers represent two of only four daycare centers in the State that are accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. The centers are considered to be demonstration sites for best practices and carry a five star rating from the Great Start to Quality organization. Ms. Miller stated that they recognized the need for expanded services on campus and felt that given the space that they would be able to scale-up. Fees are paid through a combination of grants and tuition.

III. REPORT FROM CHAIR:

The chair informed the committee that the search for a new VPF was underway and that candidates for the position were visiting this week.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 11, 2014:

Minutes were approved.

V. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. The chair reported that he had been contacted by Geoff Nathan requesting a copy of the previous meeting's Minutes that spoke to continued problems with Travel Wayne and that he had had no further communication on the matter.
- b. Mr. Bazzi presented a resolution that was being presented to the BOG encouraging WSU to establish a permanent, centrally-located LGBTQA Resource Center. He also gave the committee a copy of screen captures from a Facebook page that inappropriately targeted a gay student. He stated that there were also e-mails that were similarly inappropriate that he would attempt to obtain copies of. The chair offered to contact Mr. Sawasky (absent from the meeting) and inquire if there was an investigative protocol in place for such matters. In speaking with Mr. Sawasky the next day, the chair was informed that there is in fact a very well established protocol in place that is initiated by the student complaining to the office of the Dean of Students.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

The chair conducted an informal survey of the senators who were present and none had heard of the toner cartridge recycling program that Daryl Pierson had informed him was in place. Mr. Bazzi had to leave the meeting early in order to attend a previously scheduled meeting with Mr. Pierson and would raise the issue with him.

VII. ADJOURNMENT: