

**Wayne State University**  
**Proceedings of the Student Affairs Committee**  
**December 8, 2021**

**Present:** Pynthia Caffee, Siobhan Gregory, Michael Horn, Barbara Jones, Afifi Kadadu, Christine Knapp, Cynthia Merritt, Rachel Pawlowski, Michele Porter, Shauna Reeves, Brad Roth, Ali Salamey

**Absent with Notice:** David Merolla, Theresa Perlman, Michele Ronnick, mark wenzel

**Absent:** Nick Tedesco

**Guests:** R. Darin Ellis and Kelly Dormer

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 pm via ZOOM. The agenda and the minutes from the November 17<sup>th</sup> meeting were unanimously approved.

Our guest, Darin Ellis, said that we are about halfway there regarding our Data Request List. He also stated “be careful what you wish for, you might get it.” He then proceeded to share his screen with us as he logged into the OIRA website to present examples of data which we requested. OIRA can get us data on APEX but not Warrior VIP as APEX is a program recognized in BANNER and Warrior VIP is not. Naida stated that she is attempting to get the Warrior VIP lists from Darryl Gardner and Kenya Swanson to forward to Kurt Kruschinska so that the information can be put into BANNER. Our office of Institutional Research uses the IPEDS categories. Afifi asked if this is why we cannot use MENA as a category. The answer is yes. Neeli asked what were the gender choices that one could use as a filter and they are “Male,” “Female,” and “Not Reported.” Darin continued to demonstrate how one could filter by college or department, etc. He also showed us the DFW rates and how they can be broken down. Rachel asked if Honors is a choice for a college. Honors is known as College 14 but it is treated as a co-major.

Cynthia asked if the Smart Check was discontinued in the withdrawal process. It was discontinued under the leadership of Dawn Medley. The Registrar’s website still has it as required. David S. will write Kurt to update the website. Naida will report whether the percentage of withdrawals of students who receive EAA/Midterm grades has increased with no Smart Check in place. That should be available by the end of January 2022. Rachel asked if the SMART Check could be automated so that a student would know the consequences of withdrawal(s) from classes.

There will no longer be the choice for P/N grading this semester and what that might mean at the end of this semester concerning the number of students on probation was discussed. A student may register to take a course P/N. Rachel provided the link: <https://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/general-information/academic-regulations/>. A student may take a maximum of 6 courses under the P/N grading choice, but we will not count those taken as P/N under the COVID semesters (Winter 2020, Fall 2020, Winter 2021 and Spring/Summer 2021).

Darin brought up what should we do with students who have at least 120 credits but do not have a 2.0 but have a C- or 1.67 GPA. What could we do to help them graduate? Should we have a program that allows them to graduate? Cynthia wondered if the Warrior Way Back (WWB) program was a possibility

for those students. Naida said that WWB required a 2.0, but perhaps the (New) Phoenix Program was a possibility.

Darin and Kelly left the meeting. David S. thanked Brad for all of his work on the revised Student Code of Conduct. The Student Senate endorsed the changes at their regular meeting last week. Brad will ask Sailor Mayes, President of the Student Senate, to write him that the Student Senate endorsed the changes so that it can go to the Policy Committee and the Plenary session of the Academic Senate for its endorsement of the new Code.

Naida wished everyone a very Happy Holiday, Happy New Year, and holiday break!

The meeting was adjourned at 2:33 pm.

**The next meeting is January 19, 2022 at 1:30 pm via ZOOM.** The invite and link will be sent later. The guest speakers will be Ahmad Ezzeddine and Enrollment Management directors.