

Wayne State University
Proceedings of the Student Affairs Committee
February 9, 2011

Present: Cheryl Dove, Avril Genene Holt, Aaron Retish, Brad Roth, Thomas Smith, Liza Lagman Sperl
David Strauss, Nancy Wilmes, Jim Woodyard, Naida Simon

Absent With Notice: Judith Fouladbakhsh, Barbara Jones, James Martin, Michele Ronnick, Bill Slater,
Mary Width

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 PM. The Agenda was adopted and the Minutes of January 19, 2011 were approved without corrections.

Old Business: The chair reported on a conversation with Michele Miller, Assistant Dean of the Law School concerning student pictures. The Law School has a Faces Book that includes just the student picture with name. Each year photos are taken; if a student does not take his/her law school picture, then the OneCard picture is used. Thomas Smith, the Student Senate representative and a Law student, signed on to the Faces Book so that the committee could see what it looked like. Two members of the committee attempted to sign on; one was successful and one was not. It was suggested that the chair contact Joe Sawasky of C&IT to see how to implement this for main campus.

Computer Science (CS) Move: The chair spoke of her meetings with Dr. Fotouhi, dean of the College of Engineering, and the Faculty Affairs Committee Meeting which she attended. The College of Engineering faculty and staff, the faculty of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the faculty of the Computer Science Department have each voted in favor of the transfer to the College of Engineering. The chair reported that the number of currently enrolled upper division Computer Science Majors is as follows: Bachelor of Arts in CS has 18 students, BA in Information Systems Technology has 24 students and Bachelor of Science in CS has 120 students. A discussion followed. A question was raised as to whether all degrees from a college need to be accredited. The survey was discussed and minor changes were instituted. It was suggested that the chair email and/or speak with Dr. Fotouhi to write a short blurb to go out with the email to their Listserv. In addition the chair should have someone in the Center for Urban Studies look at the survey.

Disruptive Students: This topic was discussed because of the recent Arizona incident. David Strauss, Dean of Students spoke on the topic. Wayne State has a Student Update and Information team (SUIT) which meets every two weeks to discuss and monitor issues and students. The SUIT Committee consists of the following people: David Strauss (Dean of Students), Rick Earnest (Student Conduct Officer), Linda Galante (Assistant General Counsel), Jane Depriester-Morandini (Student Disability Services), Steve Schoberlein (CAPS), Laurie Birnie Lindeman (Ombudsperson), Tim Michael (Director, Housing), Audra Kovalchuk (Associate Director Housing), and David Scott (Public Safety). Other people are added as needed. Mostly the committee's work is related to student conduct. Faculty should feel free to speak to the student. When conduct is an issue the Student Code of Conduct comes into play. The Code insures that due process is followed. The result is usually an interim suspension which is subject to an appeal. Public Safety does not "class sit". It is important to note that the university cannot mandate but only suggest that help be sought out. The SUIT Committee acts on behavior and not on condition. A lively discussion followed. It was suggested that we continue this discussion and that the chair invite several members of the committee namely Linda Galante (General Counsel's Office) and David Scott (Public Safety) to come to a meeting.

The next meeting is **Wednesday, March 9, 2011 at 1:30 in 1270 FAB.**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 pm.