

MINUTES OF THE STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
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October 13, 2010

Members Present: C. Edmondson (Chair), A. Fiala, N. Nisbett,  
W. Skuban, A. Stratemeyer, L. Weiser, L. Burgos  
(student).

Members Absent: C. Coon (excused), K. Fugelsang (excused).

Visitor: S. Butler, D. Pavlovich, Beverly Kirkland.

The meeting was called to order by Chair C. Edmondson at 10:00 a.m. in Thomas Bld. #117.

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of 10/6/2010 as amended to show students Butler and Pavolovich are “visitors” not members.
2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.
3. Communication and Announcements.
  - A. Fred Schreiber will come to talk about budget issues.
  - B. Report on Q-DOGS meeting on 10/11/201.
    - Discussion: Role of Portfolios in SOAPS
    - Discussion: Cost-benefit of current SOAP processes
    - Discussion: Staff resources for SOAP processes
  - C. Depressions Screening Day October 21, 2010.
4. Graduation Initiative.
  - A. 10/27 Meeting with Provost Covino and Vice President Oliaro
    - Discussion: Format and process of visit
    - Discussion: Issues to be discussed
      1. Class Sizes
      2. Disqualification and Remediation
      3. Retention Goals
      4. Adjunct Faculty and continuity/training

- 5. Role of Advising
  - Reminder to prepare by reading handouts/webistes
- B. Class Size Resolution
  - Discussion: Draft of Memo to the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
  - Action: Andy and Christine will incorporate discussion in to next draft of the memo
- C. Student remediation and retention
  - Discussion: Accomodating underprepared students
  - Discussion: Cost-benefit analysis of retaining disqualified students
  - Discussion: Unintended consequence grade inflation
  - Discussion: Role of Adjunct Faculty and Student Retention
  - Discussion: Consequences of probation/disqualification for students.
    1. Action – gather information from relevant Student Affairs Staff
  - Discussion: University Response to probation/disqualification of students
    1. Action - request historical data (prior to 09/10) to evaluate retention consequences of disqualification and retention
    2. Action – gather information from relevant SSTF members
- D. Advising and Retention
  - Report - Progress on development of Advising Survey
    1. Provost reviewing current draft
  - Discussion: Current practices for the evaluation of advising in Academic Affairs
    1. Current practices for junior faculty RTP files
    2. Departments should include advising outcomes in SOAPS
  - Discussion: Student understanding of DARS and need for assistance in understanding it during first 2 years
    1. Action – recommend video training for students about using the DARS report
    2. Advocate – better on-line tools

MSC to adjourn at 11:00 a.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Student Affairs Committee will be October 27, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in Thomas #117.

Agenda

1. Approval of the Minutes of 10/6/2010.
2. Approval of the Agenda.
3. Communications and Announcements.
4. Graduation Initiative Discussion with Provost Covino and Vice President Olario.
5. Other issues – Deferred.