

MINUTES OF THE STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
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October 6, 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 9/15/2010  
with amendment: Change the name of members  
present to include "S. Butler".
2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.
3. Communication and Announcements.
  - a. APM 233 has passed through the Academic Senate.
  - b. Strategic planning for social justice and inclusion is under  
development.
  - c. Bernie Vinovorksy will attend to talk to the committee about  
enrollment management issues on November 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  - d. FACL Update – Campus instructional technology consultation  
planned.
  - e. Depression Screening day is Oct. 21 9:00 – 4:00 UHPS Area E.
4. Memo to Student Affairs Committee from Chair Edmondson regarding  
Charles Schroeder's consultation with the Student Success Task Force.
  - a. General Discussion.

- b. Consensus: Engagement and training of adjunct faculty is essential to facilitating student success.
- c. Consensus: Class size affects the likelihood of student success.
- d. Consensus: Student to tenure track faculty ratio should be considered when developing policy and initiatives to increase student success.

5. Co-Curricular Leadership Certificate.

Deferred until next meeting.

6. Policy on Changing Majors.

- a. Discussion: appropriateness of specifying 140 units as the point of restricted course enrollment and possibility of administrative graduation.

Beverly Kirkland shared background and information about the “Super Seniors” initiative from 2009/2010 which indicated that most students had completed requirements for degrees before this number of units.

- b. Discussion: mandatory advising hold at 125 units to raise awareness of the 140 unit cap.

7. Upper Division Writing Requirement.

- a. Discussion: Availability of Courses.
- b. Discussion: Reasonable to suggest major course writing class prerequisite.
- c. Discussion: Appropriateness of on-line courses.
- d. Discussion: Block scheduling to facilitate early completion of the requirement.
- e. Discussion: Upper Division Writing Course is formative in some majors and summative in others.
- f. Discussion: Transfers register for a writing course during orientation?
- g. Possible actions by Student Affairs Committee

8. Memo to the Student Affairs Committee from Chair Edmondson regarding the Chancellor's Graduation Initiative.
  - a. Invite Provost Covino and Associate Vice President Oliaro to the Student Affairs meeting to provide background information about the development of this initiative at the system level and updates about campus initiative to address the graduation initiative mandates
  - b. Discussion: Underprepared students and the graduation initiative
  - c. Discussion: Initiation of remedial work prior to the start of classes for Freshmen
9. Faculty Advising Initiative.
  - a. Deferred until the next meeting

MSC to adjourn at 11:00 a.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Student Affairs Committee will be October 13, 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.
  - A. Honor Code Memo.
  - B. APM 233 and Senate.
  - C. Strategic Plan for Social Justice and Inclusion.
  - D. Student Affairs consultation with Charles Schroeder.
  - F. Enrollment meeting.
  - G. FACL update – IT review planned.
  - H. Upcoming Strategic Planning Meeting.
4. Faculty Advising Initiative.
5. Policy on Changing Majors.
6. Upper Division Writing Assignment.
7. Potential Initiatives.
  - A. New rules about remediation work from the chancellor's office.
  - B. Academically Disqualified Students.