

## Student Affairs Council

Meeting Notes from October 23, 2006

ATTENDANCE:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARCIA BELL   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SHIRLEY LUKACS          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARV CLEMONS  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> JOSEPH "HAPPI" MATTHEWS |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DAN DAWSON    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> KAAREN O'ROURKE         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BARB DELANSKY | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARY PARTHEMER          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DONNA KOECHIG | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NADINE WILLIAMS         |

OUTCOMES:	DISCUSSION:
<p><b>AGENDA</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <u>Welcome and Introductions</u></li> <li>2. <u>Approval of Agenda</u></li> <li>3. <u>Approval of Minutes</u></li> <li>4. <u>Election of SA Council Chair</u></li> </ol>	<p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Donna introduced and the council welcomed two new student representatives: ASLCC President, Joseph "Happi" Matthews, and Dan Dawson.</li> </ul> <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agenda approved.</li> </ul> <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes of 6/12/06 approved.</li> </ul> <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Donna opened discussion for nominations for Student Affairs (SA) Council chair, academic year 2006-07.</li> <li>• Marv Clemons nominated Kaaren O'Rourke and explained why he feels she should be elected: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Continuity and experience with the college.</li> </ul> The nomination was seconded.</li> <li>• Happi Matthews nominated himself and explained why he believes he should be elected: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Valuable learning experience.</li> <li>o Would help him to develop skills useful in his academic and career goals.</li> </ul> The nomination was seconded by Dan Dawson who explained that he feels that "proper representation" would be a student to chair the SA Council. He feels that it would help Happi improve as ASLCC President.</li> <li>• Nadine shared that she feels Kaaren would be a great council chair because she is "committed" and "student focused". She feels Kaaren's knowledge and experience with student needs and persistence will force high priority council objectives. Though, she expressed, she would be happy with either candidate.</li> </ul>

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OUTCOMES:	DISCUSSION:
<p>4. <u>Election of SA Council Chair (continued)</u></p> <p>5. <u>Governance Structure Update</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Barb proposed that the council consider voting for both candidates to co-chair the council. Thoughtful discussion and ultimate agreement was followed by a vote that the council be co-chaired by both Kaaren and Happi. It was reiterated that Kaaren and Happi would work together as co-chairs and with Donna, vice chair.</li></ul> <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Donna explained that College Council has asked that the SA Council discuss and report back on the idea of restructuring the governance councils (i.e. meet less frequently, compress/merge councils [e.g. SA Council and Learning Council], etc.) College Council is considering change or combining councils in the governance structure. Some councils have overlapping items and workload remains an issue.</li><li>• Mary shared that a pro for combining the Learning and Student Affairs councils would be efficiency of work on the shared vision of learning and SA as an important aspect. A con would be that the focus of the SA Council may not be in the forefront of discussion (e.g. student recruitment and retention). Integration of councils and guidelines would have to be clear. Neither can be bogged down by process.</li><li>• Marv stated that the SA Council's goal is to enhance learning, help students, and monitor learning impact.</li><li>• Happi mentioned that combining councils would be hard. The Learning Council's focus is classroom and instruction. A consultation forum with the SA Council and Learning Council can be planned for areas that overlap.</li><li>• Kaaren is concerned that combining the councils could result in the loss of student voice and the focus may get lost to instruction.</li><li>• Barb believes that the combining would mean "more on plate equals less done".</li><li>• Marcia does not think the councils should be combined, but does support integrated meetings.</li><li>• Dan is afraid that, if combined, pertinent issues may be tabled. Separate councils make more sense.</li><li>• Shirley believes that the council could meet less frequently and still accomplish its goals, but not to combine them.</li><li>• Mary agreed that council could be more efficient with smaller meetings once per term. It is fine to do assignments outside council.</li></ul> <p>Recommendation: Do not combine SA Council with another council.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• College Council Update: Happi explained that not much was on the table for College Council and that the Board of Education's focus right now is the budget. More on the governance councils will be discussed at their next meeting.</li></ul>

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OUTCOMES:	DISCUSSION:
6. <u>SA Charter and Work Plan</u>	Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The council reviewed the SA Council charter, its purpose, and scope of work to determine what is yet to be accomplished.</li><li>• Donna reminded the council that each fall a new Work Plan needs to be developed.</li></ul>
7. <u>Review of Policies</u>	Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• As requested by College Council, the <i>Policy and Procedure Definitions</i> document was reviewed by the council and only the policies that fall into the scope of the SA Council were identified and highlighted as “SA Council” on the <b>revised document</b>. Policies noted with as “Consult” were identified as policies that may be within the scope of the council, but would require consultation with another council.</li></ul>
8. <u>Items for Next Meeting</u>	Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Donna asked that the co-chairs and new members to schedule a meeting with her for new member orientation.</li></ul>
9. <u>Announcements</u>	Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Shirley announced that she will be replaced by a new classified council representative.</li><li>• Mary announced that she will be leaving the next two SA Council meetings a 2 p.m. due to a teaching assignment.</li></ul>
10. <u>Adjournment</u>	The meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m. Next meeting: <b>Monday, November 13, 2006 at 1 p.m. in the Boardroom (Bldg. 3, Rm. 216).</b>