

Senate Committee on Student Affairs
Minutes
November 11, 2008

The following committee members were present: Azad Ali, Terry Appolonia, Ray Beisel, Kim Desmond, Linda Hall, Dennis Hulings, Germaine McArdle, Sue Reig, Terry Rittenberger, Reena Dube

The following committee members were excused: Tracey Cekada, Jack Julian, Heather Powers, Rhonda Luckey

The following committee members were absent: Frank Condino, Jill Johnson-Hilty

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Reig at 3:35p.m.

Old Business

The minutes of the October 14 meeting were approved.

It was agreed that the Student Affairs Committee description/mission, included in the Senate By-laws, will be used on the SCOSA link within the Senate website for clarity. Reports of Committee decisions made/actions taken, and Dr. Luckey's reports will be regularly updated on the SCOSA Senate website.

Terry Appolonia opened the on-going discussion on deferred rush. Points in favor of a deferred rush and against were brought up. It was agreed to continue the discussion at our December meeting.

Terry Appolonia gave information on the costs associated with "Amenity Space" in the Residential Revival. Information shared with the committee will be added to the Senate report along with source information.

New Business

Bill Montgomery, Office of Public Safety, provided an update on pedestrian safety on campus.

- A stop sign has been added at 11th Street and Grant.
- A fence was added to control pedestrian traffic along South Drive and Grant.
- A baseline study of the crosswalk on Oakland Ave., near Waller Hall, is being done to later compare the efficacy of posting crosswalk signs.
- A crosswalk sign has been added on Maple Ave. near Zinc hall.
- Mr. Montgomery reported that there are very few vehicle/pedestrian accidents on campus.
- Terry Rittenberger pointed out the hazard of backing out of a space in the parking garage with vehicles exiting.
- Regarding parking, Mr. Montgomery reported that there are 721 parking spaces on campus and that approximately 1000 passengers per day are riding the shuttle busses from the Robert Shaw parking areas.
- Sue Reig mentioned that there is a parking problem for graduate students with classes in Stouffer Hall on Saturdays when there is a football game or other weekend event. Nearby parking lots are blocked off at those times. Mr. Montgomery responded that there is plenty of parking on the north portions of campus at those times.

Dennis Hulings of the Student Co-op reported on the work of the independent consultants who examined the functioning of the Co-op. The cost of the assessment was covered by the Co-op. The level of service, financial status, and an evaluation of the location were among the study's focuses. A report is due in December. The Co-op board includes faculty, staff, and students.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Beisel, Acting Secretary