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Student Affairs Committee meeting

4/14/15

Present: Carleigh Swanson, Sheila Windingstad, Ashley Dial, Nick TwoBears, Corey Schroeder, Becca Gercken, David Israels-Swenson, Sandy Olson-Loy (arrived late)

Not present: Jill Beauregard, Cheryl Steward, Barry McQuarrie

Meeting called to order at 4:07 pm.

The minutes from 3/17 were distributed for review. There was a correction to the spelling of Barry McQuarrie's name. The minutes were approved as amended.

Becca complimented the committee on their work and successful passing of the Student Leader Eligibility Policy.

Becca asked the committee if there was anything they thought we should do for Student Employee appreciation week. Sheila explained the button campaign that the One Stop has going on this week. Becca asked if there was time to do anything else the committee could do this week or if the committee should work more on something next year. The committee reviewed past ideas of taking a picture of all student employees on the mall or outstanding student employee awards given at the student leadership banquet. Becca shared that she will be chair of the committee again next year and will make this a priority to incorporate greater work around student employment in conjunction with some other academic initiatives coming from the Dean's Office.

Becca asked the committee if there were other agenda items for the committee to bring forward next year. There was a suggestion of working with units to develop more intentional co-curricular engagement and development programs focused on career development and leadership. Corey expressed that some students have expressed concerns with financial aid for students impacted by the dream act. Others shared concerns with helping students connect with financial aid in general.

Dave introduced the Morris Marksmanship Club and handed out copies of the club's constitution. Dave shared that both Risk Management and University General Council have reviewed this group and given their approval. Shingo the group's president was present and informed the committee about the club and addressed they have two advisors Stephen Burks from Economics and Steven Cary from German. There was a question about ammunition versus guns. Shingo clarified that the campus policies allow for ammunition as the U of M policy addresses weapons but not ammunition. Dave was clear that this group has really worked to be compliant with all policies and regulations. Becca asked if there would be concerns about students being required to afford a membership to the NRA which is required for one of the officers. Dave explained that there are other organizations that have required dues to national organizations. The group was approved by unanimous consent of the group. Dave reported that there were two other groups in process that Student Activities is waiting to receive constitutions from.

Sandy suggested that the committee should review the proposed plan and funding proposals for the Edson Auditorium renovation. Sandy also suggested that Bart should talk to this committee about the W.E.L.L. (Work Engagement in Liberal Learning) program.

The meeting adjourned at 4:37 pm.