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**UMM Student Services Committee  
Minutes – April 4, 2006**

Present: Adam Yust, Jennifer Herrmann, Sara Haugen, Judy Riley, Katie Clark, Gail Hockert, Dave Swenson, Nate Hilfiker, Nick Petersen, Michael Eble,

Absent: Carla Riley, Joe Alia, Dave Nelson, Julie Pelletier

Guest: Sandy Olson-Loy

**I. UMM's Flagpole**

Sandy Olson-Loy attended the meeting to discuss the campus mall flagpole and flying of multiple flags. Olson-Loy noted that the pride flag has been flown below the U.S. flag on the campus mall during Pride Week for the past few years. Each year questions arise about the propriety of this practice, but she assured the committee that this was carefully researched before the flag was ever flown.

The campus is considering the addition of two more flagpoles, both shorter than the current pole, on which additional flags would be flown. The shorter poles could be used to fly special flags during orientation and registration days, and student organizations or programs could fly their flags during their special events. Olson-Loy noted that the new flagpoles would probably be added over the summer and would be positioned near the current mall flagpole. Some committee members voiced concern about adding additional flagpoles. Some do not agree with the practice of flying the American flag as a routine practice.

**II. Posting and Distributing Policy at UMM**

Olson-Loy reported that the vice chancellor group had made one suggested revision to the posting and distributing policy recently submitted for their review. They suggested a revision of the second sentence in paragraph two to read, "All materials posted on public bulletin boards or distributed on campus must clearly show the name(s) of the local sponsoring individual(s) or organizations(s) as well as contact information in an easily recognizable and identifiable fashion." [Underlined section is the recommended revision.] The SSC was happy to adopt the recommended changes.

The SSC then proceeded to discuss additional thoughts about the current policy. Members voiced concerns about regulations related to sidewalk chalking. Members also had concerns about the language related to using campus mailboxes. The suggestion was made to include language allowing use of post office boxes and sidewalk chalking by faculty, staff, registered students, and registered student organizations.

MOTION: (Nate, Katie C) To approve the revised posting policy including the recommendation from the vice chancellor group and the language regarding post office boxes and sidewalk chalking.

VOTE: Motion passed, (5-2-0).

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 P.M.  
Submitted Melody Veenendaal