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Student Affairs Committee Agenda (9/7/2021)

Present: Viktor Berberi, Bryan Nell, Andrew Hao, Delaney Anderson, Dalaney Teske, Henry Hubred, Claudia Iron Hawk, Sandy Olson-Loy, Dave Israels-Swenson

Viktor called the meeting to order at 11:43 am

Members introduced themselves and there was some beginning discussion on the method of meeting. The group agreed to continue meeting over Zoom.

A. Welcome, Introductions, and Committee Charge

- a. Committee Charge: The Student Affairs Committee develops, reviews, and recommends policy for student activities and services, such as housing, health, food, athletics, financial aid, campus events, and student behavior. It has the power to grant recognition to student organizations and to approve their constitutions and by-laws, as well as to review and approve subsequent amendments. It provides for the enforcement of procedures and regulations to maintain appropriate standards of conduct within the student community. It develops and monitors compliance with rules and procedures for all campus-wide student elections.
- b. Committee Members:
 - Chair: Viktor Berberi, Faculty
 - P&A: TBD
 - Faculty: Y. Andrew Hao, Bryan Nell, Viktor Berberi
 - USA: TBD
 - Students: Henry Hubred, Delaney Anderson, Dalaney Teske, Claudia Iron Hawk
 - Non-Voting: David Israels-Swenson, Sandy Olson-Loy

B. Fall Meeting Schedule

All meetings will be during the Community Hour on Tuesdays at 11:40 a.m. to 12:40 p.m. on Zoom, with the option to meet in.

September 7, 2021

September 21, 2021

October 5, 2021

November 9, 2021

November 23, 2021

December 7, 2021

January 25, 2022
February 8, 2022
February 22, 2022
March 8, 2022
March 22, 2022
April 19, 2022

C. Review of 2020-2021 Committee Work

Summary of Activities:

- Approved the constitutions of new student organizations and along with revisions to the constitutions of existing organizations.
- Heard feedback on, finalized, and sent to Assembly for vote, a process for campus-specific Posting Procedures
- Produced a draft of the process for Creation and Classification of Student Organizations on the Morris Campus.
- Approved members for Student Behavior Committee.
- Chose the recipient of the Allen W. Edson Award.
- Received updates:
 - from Sam Rosemark, MCSA President and Sandy Olson-Loy, Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs, on UMN Morris Student Life.
 - from liz Thomson from EDI and Rob Velde on the Public Safety Advisory Committee Test Pilot.
 - from Sandy Olson- Loy, Heather Peters, Chip Beal, and Teresa Peterson on a draft document on Native American Student Educational Equity and Post-Secondary Attainment, Assessment of Progress and Action Plan for 2020-2030.
 - from Dave Israels-Swenson on a proposal for the reconfigured Student Center subcommittee, which remains under SAC and submit reports to SAC as needed.
 - from Sydney Loechler and Dylan Young of MCSA on some of the highlights from the MCSA survey administered to students between 9/3/20-9/17/20 regarding COVID and Policies.
 - from TJ Ross, Secretary of the Student Behavior Committee, on the 2020-2021 SBC members for approval (faculty, staff, and students) and on the SBC process.
 - from TJ Ross on a review of policy updates in the Office of Residential Life.
 - from Lucell Hanson on his recent trainings regarding Restorative Justice and how it can be implemented on campus.

- from Ray Lagasse on COVID-19 mitigation.
- from Adrienne Conley on a review of the Title IX regulation updates this past summer/fall.

D. [Creation and Classification of Student Organizations on the Morris Campus](#)

Ready to move to Assembly?

Viktor commented that the committee has reviewed this in the past and addressed a number of issues, but asked if there were any questions. Dave provided some background information on what the policy was and how it had evolved to the draft we currently have. The goal was to formalize and clarify the three organization classifications as well as the process of creating an organization. Sandy asked if we had the original policy with mark ups. Viktor found this document in our shared drive, but it is large and cumbersome and difficult to read in that format. (it also does not translate well to a google doc.

Delaney A asked about how grant funded staff members who are funded by a grant can serve as advisors. Sandy provided some clarification of this. There were questions about non university advisors to groups (often religiously affiliated groups). Dave clarified that we do not have a way to formally recognize advisors who are not affiliated with the University and that there are limitations on what we can share with them, which makes it difficult to manage and so best not to address in the policy.

Andrew asked if there was urgency to this policy. Dave clarified that the committee has been looking at this for several years and it will be helpful but is not urgent.

Viktor shared that at one point the committee had a conversation about a potential organization whose mission matched that of an existing organization and that this policy still does not address that issue. Dave agreed that this draft does not address that concern but that we would need to be careful in how to address that issue without challenging students freedom of assembly.

E. Other immediate items?

a. None were raised

F. Possible agenda items for the year

- a. Sandy suggested that the committee should review the strategic planning and visioning documents and think about what role the committee can play in addressing, prioritizing and measuring these goals.
- b. Delaney A related a story about a student who had been removed from housing and struggled with how to navigate the process of finding housing and wondered if there was anything this committee could do to help address this.
- c. Sandy shared that the TC campus provides Womens' hygiene products in all restrooms and the issue has been raised about if this should be a system initiative or something we should look at as well.

The committee adjourned at 12:35 pm

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