

## **Campus Council**

**January 27, 2014**

**Members Present: Hashem Anwari (chair); Laura Siko (secretary); Radina Mileva, Diane Mucci, Lyons Sanchezconcha (student representative), Clark Bartolomei (student representative), Randy Fournier, Eddie Perry, Tim Eichers**

**Members Absent: Kathy Briggs, Tuscany Justice (student representative), Will Straight, Kyle Cervantes**

Meeting called to order: 1:08 PM

November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013 minutes approved without revision.

### **New Business**

- Hashem would like to invite Dr. Leidig to the next Council meeting for insight on the vision for Loudoun Campus and how she views the role of Campus Council for the remainder of the academic year. Suggestions for how Council can become more involved in community outreach are sought.
- Hashem will also invite Tosin Adetoro to a future meeting to discuss STEM initiatives.
- College Senate is seeking a Campus Council representative to chair the elections committee locally. Tim Eichers has generously volunteered.
- College Senate would like each Campus to draft a statement related to the smoking policy. Specifically, how to enforce the current policy of maintaining a 25 foot distance from the entrance of any building. Suggestions include creating covered smoker-friendly areas a satisfactory distance away from buildings.
  - The Council believes a first step for Loudoun Campus would be to clearly mark (with signage or otherwise) the designated smoking areas and to move the ashtrays farther from building entrances. Council would like to work with the Student Government Association to determine if it is feasible to create smoker-friendly areas and if so, what would they look like ideally.
- Parking update: Laura was approached by a student who questioned the transferability of parking stickers when a student changes vehicles mid-semester. The Council reported a student can return a scraped off parking sticker for a new one but must show proof they are not requesting a duplicate.

- Tim questioned the parking situation at Reston once the Silver Line Metro opens. For now, the landlord's plan is to do "light enforcement" and monitor for persons who park at NOVA Reston and cross over to the train stop.
- Diane requested suggestions for the College wide safety and security committee. There was some concern from faculty that the CARE team is not sufficient for dealing with student concerns. Expanding contracted mental health counseling services to all campuses was suggested and strongly supported. Tim brought up concerns that panic buttons on classroom phones are not clearly marked and are difficult to use in an emergency.