Campus Council 2014/2015

March 03, 2015

Attendees: Alice Reagan, Cynthia Alvarado, Kerry Cotter, Megan Davies, Frank Ferrara, Loretta Leeker, Theresa Hall, Walter Pehrsson, Michael Turner and Andrew Young

Absent members: None

Students: Eimen Bawazir, Adria Carter, Helen Hernandez, Josh Siegmund, Teneshia Smikle and Stephen Wood-Morris

Chair, Alice Reagan, called the meeting to order at 2:33pm.

The minutes of the February 3rd meeting were approved with the correction of absent members.

**Senate Report**

During the senate meeting the elections for next year and how they were going was discussed. Megan Davies is working on the Woodbridge elections.

There has to be someone from Woodbridge to be on the Committee on Committees, but there will be someone from the President’s office that will do the clerical part.

Personnel Services committee brought forward the issue of prorating ELI classes. This issue needs more conversation since the new President will be coming in soon. The idea of ELI being a separate campus was brought up and the possibility of separate SAC requirements. A good portion of Woodbridge’s FTEs is through ELI. Dean’s Admin Council is aware and looking into this issue because faculty contract load has to be met.

Faculty evaluation will be talked about again during the March Senate meeting.

The Presidential search committee has the Woodbridge representatives it needs. The senate is forming its own committee for the dates that the candidates will be at the campuses. Two of the candidates will be at the Woodbridge campus. Any one will be able to attend the candidates’ visits.

**New Business**

**Muslim Student Prayer/Meditation Room**

Adria Carter presented the issue of the lack of private space for prayer/meditation. There was a space set aside at one point but the space was taken back for office use. Adria presented a handout and Eimen Bawazir explained what space they had now and what students were using for prayers. They also presented a possible solution and asked for a room in the WAS building.
Dean Michael Turner revealed that there is a plan in the renovation of the WC building to designate a space for prayer and meditation. The building will be open while the renovation is going on. The campus always try to make a space available during Ramadan and other holidays.

Dean Turner will bring up possible solutions until the renovations are done to the Provost and work with Lawrence Nightingale to secure a room. The students asked for WAS 203. Dean Turner said it may not be WAS 202, but there will be a room. Room 214 was assigned.

**Late/Delayed Opening on February 26th**

This was the day that the school was going to open at 11am and then it was pushed back to 12pm opening.

A number of people came at 11am, some didn’t get the additional message that it was pushed back, and campus police told them to go home and come back at 12. At some point there was yelling. Dean Turner indicated that if faculty or staff is at the campus they should be allowed in the building. Dean Turner said that he will address the issue.

**Spring Break for Make-up Classes**

The idea of using Spring Break to make up some of the classes lost due to weather was raised. It was explained that it would have to be a College decision and that there are electronic resources that can be used instead.

The instructors can collaborate through Blackboard, but it would be optional.

**Microwave in WAS Café**

It has already been taken care of. There is no issue now that there is a microwave in the WAS Café.

**Classroom Surveys**

The students asked if they could go into a class to do a survey. It was explained that surveys have to go through Dr. Gabriel’s office. This is to make sure everything is organized and maintain academic integrity. It was suggested to use events to do surveys rather than trying to go into the classroom. A suggestion from Loretta Leeker is to put a link for a survey on Catapult.

**Old Business**

**Elections for 2015-2016**

Megan Davis is running the election and will handle inputting the information to WSDM and will receive the results. The people that will be on the ballot are; Frank Ferrara, Nicole Durrell, Sue Thompson, Jackie Weaver, Charles Taylor and Lindsay Felix. The results will be sent to Megan.
Committee on Committees for next year

There needs to be a Committee on Committees chair. The chair needs admin rights or access to someone that does in order to send out mass communication to the campus. This job is to fill the empty positions on the committees.

Police Body Cameras

This issue needs to go to Chief Dusseau to get his opinion before going any further.

Other Business

Kerry Cotter brought up the idea of a scan tron machine in the library. The provost staff wanted to know how it could be useful. Alice Reagan gave an example of needing to grade tests and get feedback for a class when she is in the WAS building. There is a concern about the noise in the library.

The students propose that the Woodbridge SGA and the Manassas SGA work together to get professors to donate $5 for the homeless. In return the professors would get a silver pen. The Provost has to make the decision on this. The students need to make an appointment with Dean Turner about it.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:20pm