Campus Council 2014/2015

April 07, 2015

Attendees: Alice Reagan, Cynthia Alvarado, Kerry Cotter, Frank Ferrara, Loretta Leeker, Walter Pehrsson, Michael Turner

Absent members: Megan Davies, Theresa Hall and Andrew Young

Students: Eimen Bawazir, Muneeza Syed, James Williams and Stephen Wood-Morris

Chair, Alice Reagan, called the meeting to order at 2:36pm.

The minutes of the March 3rd meeting were approved with the correction of room numbers for the Prayer/Meditation room.

Senate Report

Chief Dusseau did a lot of research on the issue of body cameras for campus police. Along with a representative from NOVA’s legal department and went over pros and cons of the cameras. There would be a big expense to just store the data from the cameras. In the end the idea was presented as not a priority for NOVA and that it might present a more confrontational image.

Handbook changes were sent out electronically and will be voted on electronically.

The campus elections were mentioned. The committees will be handled by the President’s office but it was unclear how and when that would be done.

Commencement was brought up when it was told to us by George Mason. The senate presented possible solutions to keep all the campuses together, but none were used.

It was reported that the Presidential search is down to two candidates.

New Business

Elections for 2015-2016

The results show that members of Campus Council will be: Cynthia Alvarado, Megan Davies, Nicole Durnell, Frank Ferrara, Walter Pehrsson, Charles Taylor, Alison Thimblin, Sue Thompson, Andrew Young

The student members come through the SGA

Megan Davies will get the new Campus Council organized and has agreed to serve on the committee on committees.

WSDM did not help with the election. Megan Davies put the election together on her own.

Parking in A Lot
The number of students parking in lot A has increased. Dean Turner assured that students parking in A are being ticketed. It was assumed that Student Ambassadors have A lot hang tags, but they do not. Part time P-14s do have hang tags.

The issue with speeding in the parking lot was raised and it was suggested that Sergeant Spaulding about speed bumps in the parking lots. Dean Turner will bring up the issues to Provost Staff with the speed bumps, the idea of the slanted parking in lot A on the lake side being for cars only, and a way to keep the driveway from the A lot into the circle unblocked.

**Other Business**

**VCRs**

Kerry Cotter informed the Deans and Campus Council that the VCRs have been removed from the classrooms because they are not being supported any longer.

**SGA Open Forum**

In the open forum that the SGA had on April 6th issues concerning MTT classes were raised. The students were having issues with the PowerPoints and the wording presented to the students. Students reported getting incorrect answers from tutors and not being allowed to answer some questions at all. Also that some of the tutors and teachers are not familiar with the program being used.

Dean Turner recommended making an appointment and give feedback to Dean Alison Thimblin. He also will bring it up at the Dean’s meeting.

**Testing for SSDL**

Frank Ferrara reported that students are supposed to be able to take tests at any testing center. It appears that Germanna has a form that has to be filled out and approved and then another form must be filled out. After the forms the students have to make an appointment.

Frank will forward the information to Kerry who will talk to Preston about it.

NOVA is doing this for their benefit.

**Contractor Smoking**

It was reported that some men were smoking by one of the entrances to the school. When asked to move past the “No Smoking” sign, they replied that they worked here. The issue will be forwarded to Anthony Harbert.

**Muslim Student Prayer/Meditation Room**

Students are just hanging out, eating, and playing loud music in the room. They don’t want to move out of the room. The students said they were told that it was a study room.
Dean Turner will address it and will walk pass the room every so often.

The hours for Friday and Saturday will be changed and Dean Turner will contact Sergeant Spaulding to make sure the room is open on Saturday.

Passing of Woodbridge First Year Student

Dean Turner announced that one of the first year students at Woodbridge died on Sunday in a car accident. There will be a visual on her behalf. If students wish to attend they can contact Dean Turner or Mark Bumgarner. Lindsay Felix reportedly is interested in helping. Student Services is working on a full tuition refund for the semester. The library records have already been wiped clean. Then the records will be sealed.

Advising Week and Multicultural Week

This week is advising week and the Festival of Arts will be next week. April 22nd is Woodbridge Honors night. There are 243 students this year. The requirements are that they have to have 30 credits, a declared major, and a GPA of a 3.5 or higher for two semesters. During that same week is Multicultural week. The Serbia Ambassador will give a presentation that will be videoed for all the campuses.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:16pm