Student Life Committee Minutes  
Thursday, October 15, 2015

Meeting called to order at 12:05 p.m.

Members Present: Jeannie Barrett, Boyd Beckwith, Jeff Benson, John Bunting, Elisabeth Burgess, JaYoung Choi, Jacob English, Oliver Greene, Daryl Holloman, Misty McDonald, Rebecca Stout, Janae Williams

Guests: Randy Brown, Gelila Kebede, Daphne Orr, Karla Sandoval

Action Items
A. Janae Williams moved that the September minutes be accepted as presented. John Bunting second the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.
B. The Student Organization Charter Subcommittee – Jeffrey Benson presented the following list of organizations seeking to be chartered:

Andrew Young Circle of Enterprising Scholars
The purpose of this organization is to strengthen student relationships and develop professional skills while fostering a long term professional community within the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies.

Bill Gates Millennium Scholars at Georgia State University
The purpose of this organization shall be to provide a support system for Scholars on campus and those interested in our cause and establish a forum for active scholars and alumni of the Gates Millennium Scholars at Georgia State University. We aim to raise awareness about scholarship and college opportunities to high achieving, low-income minority students through workshops, presentations and other necessary modes of communication in the surrounding high schools within the Greater Atlanta area.

European Student Association
The purpose of this organization is to bring together European students and those that identify themselves with the European culture at Georgia State University.

Heartstone Club at Georgia State University
The purpose of this organization is to build a community of student gamers who have an interest in the computer game Hearthstone.

Middle Secondary Education Doctoral Student Council
The purpose of this organization is to promote scholarship, communication, and community within the Middle Secondary Department of the College of Education.

1. Scholarship- Professional Development regarding Cvs, presenting at conferences, peer reviewing), bringing in speakers related to our fields, providing travel funds for conferences, hosting writing groups, etc)
2. Advocacy and Communication- Working with students in all units of MSE to find out needs, communicate with faculty, and brainstorm solutions
3. Interaction and Community- Social events, mentorship, celebrations
Mixed Student Union
The purpose of Mixed Student Union is to provide support, discussion, opportunity and awareness for students who identify as multiracial or multicultural on Georgia State University campus.

Panthers for Bernie
The purpose of this organization is to bring together those that want to elect Bernie Sanders for President in 2016 to coordinate a local, grassroots effort on Georgia State University's campus.

Reformers' Association
The purpose of this organization is to push our peers into the marketplace and ministry. We encourage and empower our peers to walk in champion status to prevail in the seven systems of influence. These systems include the areas of business, government, family, the church, education, media, and arts & entertainment.

St. Jude Up 'Til Dawn
Our mission is to unite the Georgia State campus in an effort spearheaded and lead by the student body to educate the campus and community about the mission of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and to raise much needed dollars for the children.

Terminus Pictures – The Atlanta Film Society
Terminus Pictures focuses on the magic of cinema through the medium of film, emphasizing on the education of students about film production with actual film stock and cameras, illustrating the importance of preserving the art form of analog filmmaking to tell a visual story.

Urban Uplift
The purpose of this organization is to strengthen the community through community service programs. As an urban outreach organization, our focus is to provide service by participating in non-profit opportunities, which will build bridges between the organization members and the community through a variety of assistance programs.

World Youth Alliance
The World Youth Alliance is composed of young men and women from every part of the world. In cooperation with other organizations of the international community, primarily the United Nations and the European Union, the World Youth Alliance is committed to building free and just societies through a culture of life. That culture affirms the inalienable dignity of the person, defends the intrinsic right to life, nurtures the family, and fosters a social climate favorable to integral development, solidarity, and mutual respect.

Rebecca Stout moved to approve the petitions. Jacob English second the motion. The petitions to charter were unanimously approved.

Information Items / Discussion
A. Randy Brown provided an update on GA State Housing.
   1. The Public-Private Partnership (P3) with Corvias has begun. A piece of this partnership includes building new residence hall with 1152 beds, and 24 hour dining hall. New hall located at J. Wesley Dobbs and Piedmont.
2. Even with the P3 initiative, University Housing will continue to have conference services and hopes to grow this component in the future.
3. Future Housing: Looking at other location for additional housing later. First year students that live on campus is a priority, but does plan to extend the option to live in housing from campuses.
4. Gender neutral housing – There have been no issue with this transition. The only “issue” is answering the question “what is gender neutral housing?”

B. Elisabeth Burgess asked the committee for a volunteer to attend the November 19 Senate meeting. AN email will be sent out asking for a volunteer as no one committed at the meeting.

C. Elisabeth Burgess asked the committee about November meeting. The options were: (1) no meeting, (2) meeting without Elisabeth, or (3) meet electronically. After discussion, it was determined to cancel the meeting and allow student organization petitioning to be granted provisional status until the January meeting.

Meeting was adjourn at 12:49 p.m.