Student Life Committee Minutes
Thursday, January 21, 2016

Meeting called to order at 12:03 p.m.


Guests:

Action Items

A. Brett Reichert moved that the January minutes be accepted as presented. Faye Stewart 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:

Trauma PALS
The purpose of the organization shall be to support and facilitate graduate students of the College of Education and Human Development in the investigation of trauma, post-traumatic growth, and other topics of interest.

Car Enthusiast Club
The purpose of this organization is to bring together those that are interested in cars, provide updated car news, learn about how cars work, and apply the knowledge to further the practical experience.

Royal Flame Chapter of the National Residence Hall Honorary
The purpose of this organization shall be to honor and recognize outstanding members of the residence hall system, and to promote a quality and standard of involvement and interaction in the residence hall and local communities. They will also act as a resource for the groups desiring information about programming and leadership in the residence halls. The chapter will represent the top 1% of students living in the residence halls at GSU. Chapter membership is comprised of residents, campus leaders, hall staff members, and hall council members.

Pads for Princesses
Pads for Princesses (P4P) is an organization orchestrated to serve the population of homeless women in Atlanta. Out of the ten thousand people dealing with homelessness in metro Atlanta, over forty percent are women and children. These women and adolescent girls do not have access to feminine care products such as sanitary napkins and tampons. Our purpose is to provide feminine care products to women dealing with homelessness in the Atlanta area through donations. P4P will connect with outreach centers and organizations in the Atlanta area to distribute these products.

Pre-Nursing Society
The purpose of PNS is:
a) To provide students enrolled at Georgia State University ample preparation for entrance in the program leading into a baccalaureate degree in nursing; and
b) To provide mentorship opportunities for pre-nursing students by encouraging nursing students to aid in guidance with application and eligibility requirements for the Byrdine F. Lewis School of Nursing; and
c) To promote and encourage participation in civic engagement, educational development, cultural awareness, and activities toward improved health care and the resolution of related social issues; and
d) To provide programs which seek to raise awareness regarding local and national issues affecting the healthcare industry and its professionals; and
e) To aid in the development of the whole person, and his/her professional role, and his/her responsibility for the health care of people from all walks of life.

Faye Stewart moved to approve the petitions. Anthony Nguyen second the motion. The petitions to charter were unanimously approved.

Information Items / Discussion
A. Dr. Darryl Holloman provided an update from the Dean of Students.
   1. Initially there were 5 Free Speech areas City streets, via ducts, Library plaza, Unity Plaza, Urban Life Plaza. Currently the only Free Speech zone is in Unity Plaza behind panther statue. This provides a better, more identifiable area, also give Georgia State University Police department and the Dean of Students Office the ability to monitor and safely move traffic in and out of the area. No longer able to reserve space in Library plaza and the platform in Library Plaza will be removed.
   2. Hoverboards no longer allowed on Campus.
   3. Two programs formed as a result of recent student protests: 1.) Speak Out – for students to have open dialog on topics in society. 2.) Teach the Dean – gives students the opportunity to inform the Dean on different issues.
   4. Kappa Alpha Psi revocation continues
   5. Dr. Rebecca Stout retired in November. Student Involvement office now reports to Dean Holloman
   6. Making some changes to the Code on Conduct to include new campuses.
   7. 3 Assistant Deans (Decatur, Newton, and Dunwoody campus) and 1 Associate Dean (Clarkston campus)
B. Dr. Allison Calhoun-Brown presented a presentation on Student Success initiatives at Georgia State University. (Chair will send as separate email)

Meeting was adjourn at 1:12 p.m.