

## **Student Life and Development Committee Minutes** **Thursday, November 29, 2012**

**Members Present:**, JoAnn Bacon, Jeannie Barrett, Elisabeth Burgess, Debra Cannon, Brenna Helmstutler, Marcus Kernizan, Kevin Ksieh, Matthew Robinson, Rebecca Stout and Ben Williams

**Guest:** Misty Kelley

### **I. Welcome:**

Elisabeth Burgess called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

### **II. Action Items:**

#### **A. Approval of October Minutes**

No errors noted. Elisabeth Burgess asked for a motioned to approve October's minutes. Rebecca Stout motioned minutes be approved. Elisabeth Burges seconded the motioned. The minutes were unanimously approved.

#### **B. Student Organizations Charter Subcommittee – Recommendations for Approval (Matthew Robison)**

Matthew Robison stated that seven organizations petitioned to charter, one organization petition to re-establish charter and no organization petition for provisional status. In addition, Matthew Robison

#### **Black Student Sophomore Society**

The purpose of the Black Student Sophomore Society is to promote academic excellence, while crafting a social network of students who are servant leaders and advocates in the community.

#### **Malaysian-Indonesian Student Association (M.I.S.A.)**

The purpose of M.I.S.A. is to unite Malaysian, Indonesian, Southeast Asian students and educate the entire campus community on the Malaysian-Indonesian culture. M.I.S.A. also aspires to build a bridge of communication between students and the Malaysian-Indonesian governments, establish and maintain a relationship with the Indonesian embassy and give back to the community through various fundraiser and community service activities.

#### **Robinson Women in Business (RWIB)**

This organization intends to guide members through their business education and job search. In addition, the organization will teach women how to fully utilize their unique skills in the business world and build female confidence and ability.

#### **Secular Panthers**

The purpose of the organization shall be to be a fellowship of all non-religious students at Georgia State University, to advocate and work for the separation of religion from all public spaces, and to improve the welfare of others without religious influence.

#### **Students of Accepting and Moving Forward (AMF)**

Students of AMF aim to support college students who are grieving the illness or death of a loved one through peer-led grief support groups and community service groups. Students of AMF is established as a university-sponsored organization and is committed to fulfilling its responsibilities to abide by Georgia State University's policies. The support groups are a positive outlet for students who feel isolated from their peers. In the meetings, they have the opportunity to express their emotions freely and meet with other students who "get it." Additionally, Students of AMF will create service groups that raise awareness about a specific cause that has impacted the members of the group. Many of the events are chosen in honor of a loved one or in support of a cause that has impacted the campus.

#### **The Pact GSU**

The main objective of The Pact is to motivate students pursuing professional careers in medicine, by assisting with the strenuous application process, the pre-med files, choosing medical schools that are best suitable to

each individual, and writing personal statements. Members will be able to gather information about professor recommendations, volunteer opportunities, application deadlines, plans before professional school, interview tips, MCAT study tips, and fee assistance programs. We strive to ensure that each member of The Pact is accepted into the professional school of his or her choice.

#### **The Man in the Mirror Project**

The Man in the Mirror Project, serving Georgia State University, is committed to showcasing the multi-talented student body by bringing to life the ideas and projects of the individual members. Members will come together on an individual project to help it come to fruition utilizing the creative minds and hands of those involved. This project is called the Man in the Mirror Project because it is based on Michael Jackson's message of brotherly love and making a change. Together, we can make a difference in the world and in the lives of students who otherwise would not have their ideas heard. Our mission is to provide an outlet for students with brilliant ideas that have nowhere to turn. We will have the talents and the open minds to help them accomplish their dreams and make a change in the world.

#### **Petition to Re-Establish Charter**

The Veterinary Medicine Professional Society (PVPS)

The purpose of this organization is to inform and aide students interested in careers, internships, and volunteer opportunities in the field of veterinary medicine, animals conservation, and animal behavior and to facilitate their application to professional school. In addition, this group hopes to foster fellowship among students who share similar goals and friendships.

### **III. Discussion/Information Items:**

### **V. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:56 p.m.