Commission on Student Affairs

November 18, 2004
3:30-4:00 p.m.

Brush Mt. B
Squires Student Center

Minutes

Present: Steve Burrell, Jamie Kalista for Myrna Callison, Amanda Cocco, Lanny Cross, Robyn Daniel, Sujit Ekka, Ginny Fowler, Keisha French, Caryl Gray, Ben Kearney, Adam Kress, Greg Lemmond, Alvin Manalo, Maya Newhagen, Grant Otto, Orien Patterson, Jory Zmuda Ruscio, Jason Shank, Holly Welsh

Absent: Sumeet Bagai, Tom Brown, Ricky Castles, Melinda Cep, Muhammad Ahmad Chughtai, Monika Gibson, Erik Kneubuehl, Paul Knox, Ellen Krupar, Tarvaris McCoy, Roberta Snelling, Jane Warner, Chris Wise

Guests: Tim Filbert, Wenlie Le, Michael Sutphin

I. Call to Order

Mr. Grant Otto, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:34 p.m.

II. Adoption of Agenda

Mr. Otto called for adoption of the agenda and requested that item A under New Business, LGBTA Name Change, be tabled until further notice. The commission approved the change and the amended agenda was adopted.

III. Old Business

A. Interfraternity Council Constitution Changes—2nd Reading

Mr. Adam Kress presented the IFC Constitution Changes for second reading. There were no questions or comments. There was a motion to approve the IFC Constitution changes. The motion was seconded and passed.

B. Commission Membership Request—Latin Association of Student Organizations—2nd Reading

Mr. Alvin Manalo presented for second reading the resolution requesting that the Latin Association of Student Organizations be permitted to join CSA. Mr. Steve Burrell made a motion to amend the wording of the third Where as follows (additions in italics):

\[\text{WHEREAS, the Latin Association of Student Organizations is the only a newly registered University Chartered Student Organization to that currently does not hold a seat on the Commission on Student Affairs.}\]
The motion to amend the wording was seconded and passed. Following a brief discussion, there was a motion to approve the amended resolution. The motion was seconded and passed. The amended resolution will be forwarded to University Council for consideration.

**IV. New Business**

**A. LGBTA Name Change**

Tabled until further notice.

**B. LGBTA Constitution Changes—1st Reading**

Mr. Michael Sutphin presented the changes to the LGBTA Constitution for first reading and outlined the changes. The main changes pertained to responsibilities for various officers and committee chairs. They also updated their preamble and non-discrimination statement. During the question and answer period, the commission suggested a few grammatical changes. Mr. Sutphin will make these changes prior to second reading. Mr. Burrell asked how the proposed name change (item A under New Business) would affect their constitution. Mr. Otto indicated they would bring the constitution forward for re-approval if the name change does take place. Second reading of the constitution will take place at the December 2 meeting.

**V. Announcements**

Mr. Otto announced that subcommittees should be receiving e-mails soon regarding work that needs to be done early next semester. He announced that Mr. Scott Hurst, University Architect, would attend the December 2 meeting to discuss the Campus Master Plan.

Ms. Maya Newhagen announced that the Dance Company of Virginia Tech would hold auditions at 9:30 p.m. on November 29 in the Dance Room, War Memorial Gym.

Mr. Jason Shank announced the following Virginia Tech Union events: Bela Fleck and the Flecktones at 8:00 p.m. on December 2 in Burruss Auditorium; free massages on December 2 in the atrium of Squires; Fiddler on the Roof at 7:30 p.m. on December 6 in Burruss Auditorium; Acoustic Café at 7:00 p.m. on December 8 in Deets.

Mr. Otto announced AIDS Awareness Week will be November 29-December 3. The main event will be the dance, Club Red Ribbon, at 9:00 p.m. on December 3 in Commonwealth Ballroom, Squires. They will have free oral HIV testing at 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. on November 30 in Brush Mt. A and B of Squires and again on December 2 in 150 Squires.

Mr. Orien Patterson announced that BSA is showing the movie, The Manchurian Candidate, at 7:00 p.m. on November 29 in Colonial Hall, Squires. He also announced a speaker for AIDS Awareness Week: Mohammed Bilal. He will be speaking on AIDS and personal responsibility at 7:00 p.m. on November 30 in Colonial Hall, Squires.

**VI. Adjournment**
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Sanzenbach
Recording Secretary