Minutes  
Commission on Student Affairs  
219 Squires Student Center  
October 19, 1995  
3:30 p.m.

Present: Dr. Jim McKenna, Dr. Lanny Cross, Dr. Bruce Chaloux, Mr. Shiloh Bates, Mr. Jeff Banks, Mr. Rutherfoord Watkins, Mr. Jim O'Connell, Ms. Nicole Kiger, Mr. Nachiketa Tiwari, Mr. Bryan Rowland, Mr. Paul Dolezel (for Ms. Jessica Coffey), Ms. Gerri Johns, Ms. Kerry Weismann, Mr. Robby Johnson, Mr. Jim Locke, Dr. Cathy Gores, Dr. Edward Spencer, Dean Andy Swiger, Ms. Judy Davis, Mr. Sam Peavy, Ms. Sarah Dotti, and Mr. Dan Waddill.

Absent: Mr. B.J. Ford, Ms. Jessica Coffey, Mr. Jason Sawyer, Ms. Tabitha Copley, Professor Robert Graham, Dr. Kerry Redican, and Ms. Barbara Cowles.

Guests: Mr. Paul Dolezel, Ms. Kerry Weismann, Mr. Brian Reynaldo, Ms. Sharon Yeagle, Mr. Bill Campion, and Ms. Melinda Crowder.

Call to Order

Dr. McKenna called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. Introductions were made at this time.

Announcements

Dr. Cross stated that in his role as Vice President for Student Affairs he needed to be aware of any student issues. He commented that he needed to have communication with the student leaders. He suggested that he start attending some of the Order of the Gavel meetings and requested feedback from the students reference this matter. It was the consensus of the students that Dr. Cross attend the November 13 meeting and then attend every other meeting on a regular basis.

Dr. McKenna stated that the last University Council meeting had been canceled and therefore the Commission's resolution regarding chair of the Commission had not received action from the Council. This item will be the main order of business at the next meeting.

Approval of Agenda

Senator Brian Reynaldo requested that SGA's Camping Out Resolution be added as item one under New Business. Mr. Bates requested that SGA's Grading Reform Resolution be added as item two under New Business. Dr. Spencer requested the Committee on Membership's preliminary report be added as item three under New Business. Motion was made and seconded to approve the amended agenda. Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Approval of CSA Minutes

Motion was made and seconded to approve the October 5, 1995 CSA minutes. Motion was approved by unanimous vote.
Filing of the September 14, 1995 Student Budget Board Minutes

Mr. Campion commented on two items in the minutes. He noted that on page one, under Administration, item two refers to one faculty position remaining vacant. Mr. Campion stated that Dr. Alan McDaniel had filled this position. Also, under New Business, Mr. Campion noted that a couple of changes had been made in the policies. These changes are covered in items one and three. He stated that Commission would receive a revised policy and guidelines document later in the year and these changes would be approved at that time.

Motion was made and seconded to file the September 14, 1995 SBB minutes. Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

New Business

1. Camping Out Resolution. Mr. Brian Reynaldo, SGA Senator, read the Camping Out Resolution to the Commission. The resolution requests that the university allow students to continue to camp out for various athletic events and that members of the SGA senate be in charge of monitoring the lines.

Dean Goree made a motion that the Commission on Student Affairs support the camping out resolution. The motion was seconded and approved by unanimous vote.

Dr. Cross suggested that Dean Goree write to Tom McNeer in the Athletic Office and bullet outline what is being done.

2. Grading Form Resolution. Mr. Bates read the SGA Grading Reform Resolution to the Commission. The resolution basically states that the SGA recommends that the grade of A- be abolished and that any grade of 90 or better receive a 4.0 weighting.

After discussion from the Commission, the resolution will be brought before the November 2, 1995 meeting for second reading.

3. Preliminary Report from the CSA Membership Sub-committee. Mr. Jim O’Connell, chair of the sub-committee, reported that the committee had met and developed four criteria that they felt would grant an organization a seat on CSA. Each organization should meet three of the four criteria. The criteria are: (1) the organization is a UCSO or USLP, (2) the organization represents a major constituency or a significant minority population, (3) the organization is a major governance or programming organization, and (4) the organization is an umbrella organization.

The sub-committee requested feedback from the Commission and invited members of the Commission to meet with their group after CSA adjourned.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.