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FACULTY COUNCIL ON STUDENT AFFAIRS
TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 2010
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Meeting Synopsis:

- 1) Call To Order
- 2) Open Issues;
 - Student advocacy
 - Access of Seattle campus facilities by Bothell and Tacoma students
 - The need for campus surveillance cameras
- 3) ASUW/GPSS Report
- 4) Report from Chair
- 5) New Business
- 6) Adjournment

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Fabien at 1:32 P.M.

ITEMS DISCUSSED

1. Open Issues

Issues that were on FCSA agenda at the beginning of the year

A) Access of Seattle campus facilities by Bothell and Tacoma students

IMA

The Council discussed IMA use for Tacoma and Bothell students, as the issue was brought to the Council at the end of last year. Godfrey gave some background on the issue and explained that Bothell and Tacoma students do not pay the Seattle Services & Activities fee, which is what supports the IMA. There is also an issue of capacity, whereas the IMA is very busy and crowded most of the day. Padvorac asked what could be done for Tacoma and Bothell students, and the Council discussed how that could be something the campuses build down the road.

Access to Courses

The Council briefly discussed the issue, but the same issue has been looked into by the Faculty Council on Academic Standards.

B) The need for campus surveillance cameras

Because of the numerous crime alert e-mails the campus community was receiving, there had been some discussion about cameras on campus. The Council discussed the idea and

Godfrey brought up a few points including cost, appropriateness, and impact. It was also pointed out that surveillance is usually on privately owned property. Chair Fabien shared his experience with the Machine Shop. Within his department, anybody that went through training can use it at all times. Putting a camera in there was discussed, but it was decided that it would violate the privacy rights of students. The Council also discussed legal concerns of surveillance cameras. McKinstry also pointed out that such ideas had also been discussed in libraries, but was ultimately decided against. The Council agreed with Chair Fabien in stating that there seemed to be a consensus that it was a policy that the Council did not want to pursue.

C) Student Advocacy

Chair Fabien explained an experience in which a student that he is working with feels that he has not been properly served by his academic department. The issue has been straightened out, but the student felt the process was unprofessional and wants an apology. He is bringing it to the Council's attention because he was wondering what could be done and if there was a process available. Godfrey explained that there is no central place for a student to go in such a situation, but that the closest thing would be student life. The path would depend on the issue. The conversation eventually led to a discussion of the mental health counseling available on campus as well as how it can be difficult to refer a student to mental health counseling.

2. Chair's Report

Chair Fabien shared with the Council that he had given a partial report to the SEC on Intelligence Officer Training Corp (IOTC) issue. Fabien also explained that he hoped to invite Steven Hanson, Vice Provost for Global Affairs, to discuss INSR. A concern that remains is the IOTC Center for Academic Excellence and what that might look like at UW. The Council discussed concerns about the programs.

3. ASUW/GPSS Report

ASUW

Padvorac reported that the ASUW was continuing to work on textbook pricing and was thankful for the resolution that passed the Faculty Senate. He also told the council about an event called "Where's The Funding?" that will discuss the University's funding and that they hoped to have a legislator on the panel. Padvorac also met with Pat Dobel to follow up on the possible changes to the game schedule. He and Dobel will meet with the Washington Student Athlete Council (WASAC). The Council briefly discussed time away from class for student-athletes and how that was being looked at by ACIA. The Council discussed the affordable textbook issue and McKinstry shared some of the libraries experience regarding textbooks.

GPSS

Martin shared that GPSS is gearing up for their May elections. GPSS is also working on a health portal on MyUW which would be a tab to let students know what services are available. The Council then briefly discussed how the recently passed health care reform legislation might affect students. This led to an update on the Hall Health renovation

which will begin in the summer. In addition the Hall Health renovation, the HUB and ECC are being renovated and two new Residence Halls broke ground in March.

Chair Fabien shared with the Council the changes being made to student loans that were part of the health care legislation. The UW already is a participant in the Direct Loan program, so it will not be directly affected in the student loan process. However, because the change will save \$60 billion dollars there will be an equal increase in Pell Grants which will directly affect UW students.

Adjournment

Chair Fabien ended the meeting at 2:34 p.m.

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Present: **Faculty:** Fabien (Chair), Burke, LeVeque, Rocap, Schwartz
President’s Designee: Godfrey
Ex-Officio Reps: McKinstry, Padvorac, Martin, Perrin
Guests:

Absent: **Faculty:** Bailkin, Berninger, Poovendran
Ex Officio Rep: Winans