

Student Affairs Committee

10:00-11:50 am

Online Via Zoom

Present: Karen Thompson (Chair, SBE), Sandra Ayala (Education), Laura Monje-Paulson (SA), Chris Franco (AS), Martha Shott (Science & Tech), Napoleon Reyes (Social Sciences), Jenn Lillig Academic Programs), and Anthony Bish (A&H)

Absent: Hilary Smith

Minutes-taker: Anthony Bish

The agenda was approved with no changes.

No adjustments were made to the May 19, 2021 meeting minutes.

Chair's Report (K. Thompson)

- Approximately 4000 students vaccinated so far. Weekly tests for those who aren't vaccinated.
- From the Executive Committee of 08/19/2021: The Provost reported the following: (1) Spring 2022 continuity planning is in full swing. Goals are to expand repopulation of campus and increase number of in-person courses. (2) Working on how to develop more after-hours services for students. (3) Strategic planning refresh is coming soon, in partnership with shared governance. (4) At least 200 accepted transfer students did not come to SSU this fall, because they could not get enough courses. The CFO reported that SSU has an \$11 million deficit this year. \$7 million can be offset by one-time money, leaving \$4 million deficit still to be worked out. Same \$11 million deficit is projected for next year.
- From the Senate meeting of 08/26/2021, the VP of Student Affairs reported that 1935 students are living on campus. 75% of students taking in-person courses have been vaccinated. Associated Students reported that they are prioritizing efforts to increase the number of in-person courses for Spring 2022 and ensure the quality of online courses. They also will be focused on encouraging timely online book orders.

Student Affairs Report (L. Monje-Paulson)

- Headcount won't be official until September 15th, but currently there are about 6900 students registered. Approximately 4750 students are vaccinated, and about 2000 students may not be in compliance by September 30th deadline. 150 students have exemptions (medical, religious, or N/A if not on campus at all). Looking for indicators on how students are responding to the online wellness clearance program. All students need to test weekly unless they are fully vaccinated. Faculty can ask students to show their green wellness status.
- On-campus housing numbers are approximately 1930. Housing has quarantining capacity for 60-70 students; 25 students are in isolation now. Students who are getting Covid are showing symptoms sooner which is helping stop the spread. Because of a lack of supplies and its unreliability, rapid testing is no longer being used.
- Latest NSSE "Before College Survey on Student Engagement" survey had 24% response rate from SSU students. Survey shows incoming students had high levels of stress.

Associated Students Report (C. Franco)

- AS had meetings over the summer. Complaints on Facebook from parents of SSU students that students were not feeling involved enough on campus, that book orders were delayed, and that CAPS has seemed to have a change in policy and only had counseling online.

- Covid vaccination is a big topic at AS. AS wants campus to do all it can to help end Covid by having faculty constantly checking students in classrooms, and they also want the campus to check students' green wellness indicators when students go into the Library, Student Center, and Rec Center. Students want to feel protected, and they want to be able to have many more in-person class in Spring 2022.

Business Item #1: Review SAC Charge

- Committee reviewed SAC charge, and key areas of SAC oversight were highlighted.

Business Item #2: Appoint liaisons

- Committee liaisons are:
 - Scholarship Committee - Anthony Bish
 - Athletic Council - Martha Shott
 - Academic Advising – Karen Thompson for now, until we get an SSP rep
 - Accessible Technology Initiative - Sandra Ayala
 - Student Fee Advisory Committee - Hilary Smith
 - Alcohol and Other Drugs Council- Napoleon Reyes

ATI Report (S. Ayala)

- SSU must meet new standards this year. Annual report is due Nov. 15.
- This past summer, 11 faculty completed Level 1 training and 20 faculty completed Level 2 training.
- Regarding book orders, early book ordering is essential for students who need the material in other formats. For the current semester, almost 60,000 pages of reading material needed to be converted for students with special needs.

Athletic Council Report (M. Shott)

- In-person sports are happening.
- Athletes have stricter testing requirements. Must be tested twice a week if unvaccinated and once per week if vaccinated.
- Men's soccer game on Thursday at 4:00 pm

Alcohol and Other Drugs Council Report (N. Reyes)

- No report. Council has not met yet.

Scholarship Committee Report (A. Bish)

- More applicants and awards last spring than the previous year.
- The bias report was completed and names were separated from essays. Plus, questions were changed to be more universal and less about resume-related factors.

Future Minutes-takers

- Sandy 9/15
- Napoleon 9/29
- Martha 10/13
- Hilary 10/27
- Sandy 11/10
- Napoleon 12/1

Meeting Adjourned 11:20 am