Commission on Student Affairs
University Council, Virginia Tech
November 8, 2018
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm
Brush Mountain Room, Squires Student Center

In Attendance:
Anna Enkhtur, Jaylen Foskey, Terri Pecora, Sebastian Andrade, Tara Frank, Jes Davis, Susan Anderson, Colie Touzel, Veronica Warda, Marisol Heisley, John Livingston, Gregory Klatt, Sebastian Murillo, Abdul-Rahman Sanuri, Elysia Budu, Jonathon Poff, Sam Felber, Rachel Iwicky, Lauren Surface, Claire Oliveros

Not in Attendance:
Joe Clark, Angela Simmons, Patty Perillo, Marc Lewis, Keith Robus, Gordon Quach

Attending Guests:
Heather Wagoner, Grey Fritz, Gina Tamburro, Erica Milgrim

1. Division of Student Affairs Updates – Dr. Perillo
   a. No updates as Dr. Perillo was not in attendance

2. Constituency Updates
   a. Student Government Association – Sam Felber
      ● Mental health resource sheet – given to every dean to get into syllabus
      ● After everything that happened a couple of weeks ago Hillel wants to work with SGA on Major Holiday updates
      ● Continuing to look at Title IX Student Conduct
   b. Graduate Student Assembly – Sam Fried
      ● We are continuing to organize internal committees for student interest groups
      ● Beer and wine social scheduled for November 12th
      ● Grant programs opened this month
      ● Little Hokie Hand Me Down join effort for ages 10 and under. Collect donated items for kids and then open on November 13/14th @ GLC multipurpose room for students and staff to “shop” for free.
   c. Board of Visitors Representatives – Rachel Iwicky & Marc Lewis
      ● BOV meeting held this past weekend
         o Not enough employees for BB Transit and dining
         o Title IX students have brought up multiple concerns
         o Mental health at VT not just counseling – seeing more needs on campus
         o Support students in other ways bringing in student perspective
3. University Council and Commission Updates
   a. University Council – Louisse Bye
      ● Approved a new doctorate degree for neuroscience
      ● Mentioned start up program for industry based ideas LINK and LOCK
      ● Changing the name of the commission – first reading
         o Name change approved
   b. Commission on Equal Opportunities and Diversity – John Livingston
      ● Resolution to introduce Indigenous Day as a Holiday
      ● University Governance is one way to change the calendar
      ● International Students Committee
   c. Academic Support Committee – Louisse Bye
      ● Has not yet met this semester

4. Old Business
   a. Membership Resolution (Second Reading) – Louisse Bye
      ● Resolution that John created for new membership that lists the four councils
      ● Discussed resolution the first time
      ● Not controversial and no comments to add
      ● Would then go to University Council to approve
      ● Pulled info/wording directly from the Fraternity and Sorority Life website
      ● Move to approve
      ● Motion carried / APPROVED
   b. Student Budget Board Appropriations – Gina Tamburro
      ● Only change is regard to the security fee as some funds had already been expended
      ● Where money is coming from? Some funds were returned from The Source last year to balance out the discrepancy
      ● Amount remaining after UCSO events 1st or 2nd week of school was $110 and is now $108 and that is what needs to be approved
      ● Was $110K but now $108K that needs to be approved
         o Motion to approve
         o 2nd
      ● Open for discussion
         o General question - Are people responding well to this change?
         o A- Transition has gone fine and everyone has been responsive
      ● Rachel – Student Engineers Council stated they pay for themselves they have never requested Student Budget Board funds as their organization is self-sufficient.
● In the future if security is being assigned by VTPD for an event then the University has to pay for it. This will enable Gallemore to then assign the security needs to the best of his ability.

● Brief update – Have not received anything as of yet from Registrar Rick Spark in regards to the use of A/V equipment in classrooms.
  o Hope is to have proposal early next semester

● APPROVED

5. New Business

a. Meeting dates for Spring 2019 – Louisse Bye
  i. Thursdays @ 3:30pm
  ii. January 31st will be in Brush Mountain (All)
  iii. February 14th, February 28th, March 21st, April 4th, April 18th, and April 25th will be in Squires 219

b. Cranwell International Center and SA Communications Issues – John Livingston & Ruofan Shen
● Ongoing issues on social media (twitter), flier, as well as front page of website
  o Picture used was taken at International Street Fair
  o FASA on Facebook, used on website
  o They feel they should get a public apology
  o Mislabeling of people of color
  o Exploitation of people for diversity
  o Cranwell advisory board still continues to do it
  o David Clubb responded from Cranwell and they offered to take it down and Hunter Gresham also responded.

● SGA and GSA need to be catalysts that you all can be an “action “
  o Trouble in the past from graduate students exec board meeting (majority of exec board was not interested in making a statement)
  o GSA is about the student experience (these issues don’t have community activity in support)
  o SGA wants to help but didn’t bring up at Order of the Gavel as they wanted to talk about it here first

● Main mission of CSA is to focus on policy. Dr. Angela Simmons confirmed that if it isn’t POLICY related then it does not come to CSA.

● Create subcommittee to investigate and report back with options
  o CHARGE to committee go in with an open mind
  o Statement of concern
  o UR standards / DSA standards – What is the current policy if there is one?
  o Come up with solutions
  o Meet people face to face

● Subcommittee members include: Arianna Pereras, Louisse Raran, Sebastian Andrade, Sebastian Murillo, Veronica Warda, Samantha Fried, Grey Fritz, Ruofan Shen, Sam Felber, Marisol Heisley

6. Announcements
TONIGHT

- HokiePRIDE partnership with HokieWellness 7pm
- AASU Cultural Show @ GLC Auditorium (will be giveaways)
- American Indian & Indigenous Community Center 5pm
- Food drive drop off points for New River Community Action Center is ACEC and Fraternity and Sorority Life Office
- BOC meeting next week
- Race Talk Fundraiser @ Chipotle (Main Street location) Wednesday, November 14th from 6:30pm to 8:30pm

7. Adjournment

- Move to adjourn meeting
- Motion passed
- Meeting adjourned