

Commission on Student Affairs

Thursday, April 16, 2015

3:30-5:00 PM

Squires Student Center – Brush Mountain Room

Present:

Tuna Shankar, Matthew Chan, Joseph Edens, Jackie Fisher, Lauren Surface, Austin Larrowe, Ethan Poole, Sapna Singh-designee for Brian Tran, Jake Tully- designee for Elizabeth Lazor, Greg Purdy, Daniel Ridenour-designee for Eric Wetzel, Patty Perillo, Claire Childress, Rudney Danquah, Robert Sebek, Kristina Gallagher – designee for Kaleigh Leal, Susan Anderson, Morgan Sykes- designee for Austin Larrowe, Ricardo Zalles Reyes

Absent:

Erica Bassuk, Cathye Betzel, Alicia Cohen, Austin Dickey, Noha Elsherbiny, Jean-Luc Ford, Ashley Francis, Mary Ann Lewis

Guests:

Scott Midkiff, Dale Pike, Jaime Williams, Chad Mandala, Angela Simmons

I. Call to Order and Approval of the Agenda

Mr. Joseph Edens, chair, called the meeting to order at 3:34 p.m. welcoming the group to today's meeting and reviewing the agenda items for discussion. Mr. Joe Edens asked for a motion to adopt the agenda; it was moved by Mr. Matt Chan, seconded by Mr. Greg Purdy, and approved unanimously.

II. Presentations

- a. Dr. Scott Midkiff and Mr. Dale Pike – University Learning Management Systems

Dr. Scott Midkiff, Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer, and Mr. Dale Pike, Director, Technology-enhanced Learning and Online Strategies, presented on changes to Virginia Tech's Learning Management System. Virginia Tech will move from the current system, Sakai, to another system that could include the platform Canvas. Final decision will be made by May 15th with an estimated full migration by the Fall of 2017. Research and consideration for the change was driven by the Virginia Tech IT Council and feedback from students, faculty, and staff.

III. Unfinished Business

- a. Student Budget Board Policy Changes

Mr. Greg Purdy, Chair of the Student Budget Board Policy Subcommittee, provided an update that the Student Budget Board Executive Committee met this week and a proposal will come forward from the committee next week.

IV. New Business

a. Multicultural Greek Council Constitution Changes (First Reading)

Ms. Kaleigh Leal, CSA Representative for Greek Life, and Mr. Chand Mandala, Advisor to the Multicultural Greek Council, presented changes to the Multicultural Greek Council Constitution. Questions were held until the second reading.

V. Commission/Committees/Sub-Committee Updates

Cordel Faulk, Member of the Board of Visitors, will join the Commission at the last meeting of the semester, April 30th.

Next week elections for Vice Chair will be held.

VI. Announcements

Tuna Shankar: Jason Soilleau, University Architect, will be coming to Student Government Association to update on the University Master Plan next Monday at 8:00pm in Brush Mountain Room A.

Patty Perillo provided updates on the Provost Search, University Council Membership, and solicited thoughts on the creation of a Center for Health Education and Wellbeing

VII. Adjournment

With no further announcements or business, Mr. Joe Edens, chair, entertained a motion to adjourn; Mr. Greg Purdy motioned and Mr. Jake Tully seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.