

[In these minutes: Ideas for student advocate program and academic integrity week for fall, Updates to OSAI and SJA websites]

STUDENT ACADEMIC INTEGRITY COMMITTEE (SAIC)

MINUTES

TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2006

2:30 – 4:00 PM

510 MORRILL HALL

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PRESENT: Mark Bellcourt, Jonathan Bringewatt, Lorna Buikema, Sharon Dzik, Laura Coffin Koch, Robert Pepin, Micky Trent.

REGRETS: Shawn Curley (Chair), Sarah Angerman, Francisco Diez-Gonzalez, Linda Jones, Paul Myers, Abbie Stohlmann, Christopher Zellmer.

GUESTS: Kathy Skelton.

1. IDEAS FOR STUDENT ADVOCATE PROGRAM AND ACADEMIC INTEGRITY WEEK FOR FALL

Debbie Gettemy from OSAI said that Sharon Dzik recently attended a Council of Undergraduate (CUD) meeting to promote OSAI. This brought eight new requests in the last two weeks. The advocates will also be doing tabling in Coffman next week, April 17-19, from 11 am – 1 pm to get information out to students.

She is also considering an Academic Integrity week next fall. She has been looking at other schools for information, but would like to get feedback from this committee. She had two questions for the committee:

1. With what offices can OSAI collaborate?

- CLA Writing Center
- Center for Teaching and Learning Services
- Libraries
- Student Affairs
- Student Activities Office
- Athletics
- Residence Halls
- Faculty Academic Oversight Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics

- McNamara Academic Center

2. What activities could be planned?

- Demonstration and discussion of Turnitin.com
- Encourage colleges to do their own programming during the week
- Non-academic professionals talk about integrity in their professions
- Food
- Learn how to properly cite
- Panel discussion with faculty
- Ask students who have plagiarized to speak
- Skit
- Examples of cheating in professional life and how it permeates from college
- Movies dealing with academic integrity
- Game show
- Contact students through Minnesota Daily and college listserves
- Provide students a list of academic integrity resources on a bookmark
- Resource fair one day in Coffman
- Plan for different parts of campus and different times of day
- Pose question for debate competition
- Plan one fun activity that students can look forward to each year
- Whatever is planned needs to have a connection to academic integrity at its core

2. DISCUSSION OF UPDATES TO OSAI AND SJA WEBSITES

Sharon Dzik said that there is a review going on of all procedures and policies dealing with student behavior. This will lead to changes in paper documentation, and therefore changes to the OSAI and SJA websites. Before these changes are made, she would like this committee to discuss the larger conceptual framework of the sites.

She asked if the OSAI and SJA sites should be considered equal. Members said that the original intent of the sites was that OSAI would be equally important to SJA, and this should still be the primary framework for design.

Members then noted some faculty are not sure of the difference between the two offices and sites, so there needs to be a better linkage between the two sites, with a small description of the purpose of each office.

The committee then discussed the history of the OSAI logo, which some faculty and students misinterpret. It was decided that past committee minutes should be reviewed to get the full history of the logo.

3. OTHER BUSINESS

With no further business, Sharon Dzik thanked the members for attending and adjourned the meeting.

Becky Hippert
University Senate