

Campus Governance
Student Experiences Committee

February 20, 2018

Approved: March 13, 2018

Present: Azrin Awal, Adam Brisk, Cindy Christian, Jenna Jaskinia, Tami Lawlor Madeline Lloyd, Tyler Samler, Jill Stanislawski, Jill Strand, Wenqing Zhang

Excused: Linda LeGarde Grover, Sue Holm

Absent: Lea Carr, Sam Shepherd, Han Zhang

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m.

II. Approval of Minutes

The December 4th minutes were approved.

III. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as written.

IV. Management Services Report

No updates for today.

V. New Initiatives

a. Administrative Expungement process for student conduct records

Dr. Katie Jackson, director of the Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution (OSCCR), was a guest at today's meeting. She is exploring implementing an Administrative Expungement process in her office. The OSCCR does background checks almost daily, and this process could reduce the punitive effects of minor infractions in a student's record on their future educational or occupational goals.

Dr. Jackson referenced a social discipline model, sharing that a combination of accountability and support enhances the likelihood that students will change behaviors. The OSCCR currently works with the students in this way, and this expungement process would continue their mission.

Dr. Jackson and shared that current policy requires that conduct records be kept for five years after the student leaves UMD, with the exception of expulsions, suspensions and incomplete cases. She is working to change the policy to seven years to align with Clery Act guidelines.

The Administrative Expungement process was drafted with input from the University's Clery Compliance Officer, the University's Office of General Council, and Vice Chancellor Erwin. The drafted document has been shared with Student Care Team and the Student Association, with support from both. OSCCR is working with UMD's Housing and Residence Life team to ensure continuity.

Scholastic Dishonesty infractions are not subject to expungement at this time.

To complete the expungement process, a student would complete the Administrative Expungement Petition, submitting as much information as they would like to be considered by OSCCR when reviewing their expungement request. The petition provides guidelines to petition a record expungement and identifies which types of infractions are unlikely to be granted an expungement, such as “Harm to Person” violations.

The feedback from the SE committee members was positive. If the committee has any concerns or feedback, please contact Dr. Jackson by end of day on Monday, Feb 26th.

- b. Replacement from Tyler at UCC meetings (12:30 every other Friday)
The SE committee’s Chair and Vice Chair both sit on the University Coordinating Council (UCC). SE’s Vice Chair, Tyler Samler, has a conflict with the meeting times this semester. Laura will send out a google document sign-up sheet for SE committee members to sign up to attend UCC in Tyler’s place. Meetings are every other Friday, with the next meeting being February 23rd.

VI. Initiatives Discussion

a. Student Association

i. Student Life Committee Updates

The Student Life Committee is working on organizing the Community Clean-Up, to be held on April 22nd. A local high school will be sending some students to assist with the clean-up. The Student Life Committee is hoping for increased departmental participation.

For many students’ whose first language is not English, language can be a barrier during their college career. The committee is exploring the concept of creating a directory of faculty and staff that are fluent in other languages. Employees could opt-in to being a resource for students through a google form. The directory would include the employee’s name, picture, email address and the languages they speak.

This Friday, Student Association (SA) is meeting with staff from Student Life and Career and Internship Services. SA is exploring a program to assist with Career Readiness.

The SE committee provided feedback that students could also benefit from a Citizenship Readiness program.

The Live Like A Student program can assist students with financial readiness. Students may also benefit from information on how to use MyU, and how important it is to use MyU. UMD Seminar’s syllabus is already packed, but maybe Seminar could be a place to offer information on MyU.

Student Life Committee is reaching out to students to seek input on meal plans.

ii. Student Association

Bulldog Lobby Day is on March 1st.

SA sent out an internal satisfaction survey to get feedback about SA. SA is working to fix the concerns that arose though that survey. SA is creating a mentorship program, which would involve experienced SA members mentoring new members.

SA is reviewing the student organizations conduct policy.

SA is making feminine hygiene products available for free in various restrooms throughout campus.

b. Faculty and Staff Updates

i. American Indian Learning Resource Center

The representative from the American Indian Learning Resource center was absent today – no updates.

ii. American Indian Studies

The Master of Tribal Resource and Environmental Stewardship Graduate Program was approved by the Board of Regents and will be live for the Fall 2018 term. The department is in the process of hiring a director of that program.

iii. Career and Internship Services

The representative from the Career and Internship Services was excused from today's meeting – no updates.

iv. Alworth Institute for International Studies

This Thursday, February 22, is Alworth Institute's 9th annual WorldQuest trivia competition, being held in the Ballroom. There are teams from UWS, UMD, CSS, and the community participating.

Alworth is featuring several programs, lectures and brown bags this spring, many of them focusing on diplomacy.

The Alworth Institute welcomes ideas for programs in which students are interested.

v. KAM Library

The library is fully staffed; the SCSE librarian is now on board.

The library is working on a number initiatives.

Stress-less week planning is in progress.

Programming for the fall storytelling and listening events is underway.

vi. Management Services

Report Above.

vii. Student Financial Services

Student Financial Services is prepping for the upcoming Grad Fair.

Summer registration begins next week.

viii. Supportive Services

The office for Students in Transition is being divided up. The UMD Seminar program will return to Supportive Services Program on July 1st, under Jill Jensen. Jill met with the current Seminar coordinator, Sam Shanks, last week.

Tutors are still available for students interested in having a tutor.

There was discussion about UMD Seminar structure.

VII. Open Announcements

There were no open announcements.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:23 a.m.