

Student Affairs Committee 2022-2023



Notes of 02.10.2023

Purpose: The Student Affairs Committee shall address and advise on all matters related to the student affairs interests of ASUMH including but not limited to the following activities: 1. Recruiting 2. Admissions 3. Financial Aid 4. Student Activities 5. Student probation and suspension 6. Assessment of Student Affairs

Call to order at 10:35 a.m. on 02.10.2023 by Rachel Young

Old Business:

Minutes from 10.14.2022 were not recorded because there was not a quorum.

Minutes from 01.13.2023 were reviewed but not approved because there is not a quorum.

Report from Workgroups:

Diversity Workgroup – Becky Baird No news to report.

Retention Workgroup Starfish is now LIVE. Early alerts are in place. Training for this system is on the way.

Ad Hoc Student Handbook Workgroup No news to report.

Supergroup Report (Advising, Online, Retention and other parties) Dr. Tamara Daniel is working on a document listing individual responsibilities for specific departments, who follows up on leads and who is responsible for reporting results.

New Business

Proposal – Stephanie Beaver, Director of Admissions The Academic Distinction Scholarship has a proposed amendment to include out-of-state students in consideration for the institutional scholarship. Concerns were addressed from the floor such as the increased value of a scholarship to cover tuition and fees for an out-of-state student vs. an in-state student. The scholarship is funded by ENG dollars with an allocated budget of \$185,000.00. Additional funds allotted to this budget line would decrease funds available for employee salaries and raises. The only way to increase ENG funds is through retention and recruitment. Out-of-state students should be included in this institutional scholarship to make it more equitable. Such a change would also support students coming to ASUMH for its unique programs (i.e., Funeral Science). A suggestion was made to create a tier system for awarding the scholarship. This would stretch the scholarship funds further and allow for more students to be awarded the scholarship and encourage students with higher ACT scores to attend ASUMH for their education. Stephanie agreed to submit another proposal for this.



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Additional Conversation from the Floor Debra Hughes delivered concerns on behalf of the student body regarding campus-specific apparel. Students would like to represent the college with t-shirts and hoodies but the prices in the bookstore are too expensive and the sizes are limited. Debra expressed concern on behalf of students who needed apparel beyond a XXL. Debra is willing to donate her time and supplies to make affordable shirts and donate the funds to scholarships or the student emergency fund. All apparel would be ordered and paid in full before Debra would make the requested item(s). William Kimbriel offered to give \$1,000 towards this project to pay for the shirts. Concerns were discussed about the university's contract with Follett to sell merchandise outside of the bookstore. A suggestion was made to meet with Dr. Daniel to discuss the possibility of this project.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Next meeting scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on March 10th

--Notes submitted by RYoung