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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

7. Reviewing the Student Handbook and creating cohesion with the Faculty Handbook

Old Business:

Review May Minutes – A motion was made and passed to accept the minutes.

Report from Workgroups:

Diversity Workgroup Report – A representative from the group met with the chancellor and discussed adding language about diversity in the syllabi. The workgroup is addressing comments of a "lack of diversity".

Retention Workgroup Report – New officers were elected in the most recent meeting. The staffing shortage in the tutoring center was discussed as well as the upcoming Chat with Administration on 10/19 to address these concerns and other concerns related to retention.

Ad hoc Student Handbook Workgroup – The group has not met since Summer 2022. Revising the Student Handbook is their current task. A suggestion was made to revise the handbook in its entirety. QR codes could be used to direct students to program-specific handbooks (ex. Nursing, Technical Center, Funeral Science, etc.)

Supergroup Report (Advising, Online, Retention, and other parties) – Have not met since 21/22 year.

Unfinished Business:

Student Activities Board and Campus Activities Board (CAB) report to Dr. Daniel.

The use of the SAC as a back-up scholarship committee on an as-needed basis – This is not an official proposal. A Cognito form has been developed for scholarship requests and awards. A request has been made for a streamlined way to know what scholarships are available and what has been awarded. A few staff members will work to get this information updated on the website.

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A request was also made to categorize the scholarships based on the school they are intended for (i.e., Arts & Sciences, Health Sciences, Business & Technology) and another list with general scholarships.

Pets on Campus – The Student Services Coordinator confirmed Arkansas law allows emotional support animals in dorms but not in classrooms. Any student who brings an emotional support animal to campus should go through the Student Services Coordinator. It was discussed official verbiage should be added to the Student Handbook. This will be addressed by the Student Handbook Workgroup.

Student Club Formation – Students would like to form student organizations and begin meeting the same semester their organization is approved. A proposal will need to be presented and approved for this modification to be made.

New Business:

Membership for the 2022/2023 year: The following individuals were appointed to membership:

| Name | Category | Term End |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------|
| Bentley, Tim | Faculty Senate at-large | August- 23 |
| Foster, Lequita | Staff Senate at-large | August- 23 |
| Baird, Rebecca | Faculty, School of Arts | August-24 |
| | & Sciences | |
| Buel, Matt | Faculty, School of | August- 24 |
| | Business & Technology | |
| Burns, Kathy | Faculty, School of | August-23 |
| | Health Sciences | |
| Taylor, Nicholas "Cole" | Staff, Classified | August- 23 |
| Lueck, Nathan | Staff, Non-Classified | August- 23 |
| Baker, Kelly | Student/ SGA | May- 23 |
| | Representative | |

Officers for the 2022/2023 year – Rebecca Baird was elected as chair of the committee and Rachel Young was elected as secretary.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:19 a.m. Next meeting on 10/14/22.

Notes submitted by RYoung.