

University Student Affairs and Campus Life Committee

Meeting Minutes

28 October 2011

Members Present: Mike McCarthy(chair), Suzanne Houff, Kim Kinsley, Shayda Rezazad and Dan Hubbard (secretary)

The meeting was called to order at 13h06 in the Fitness Room, and the minutes of the last meeting, as amended, were approved by those present.

The definition of the committee's duties, as developed in the last meeting, is now before the University Faculty Council for deliberation. The committee awaits their decision before proceeding with a variety of activities.

One question facing the committee is whether there should be student representation on the UFC. Ms. Rezazad proposed student representation in a non-voting capacity, but as an informational source. Ms. Kinsley noted that most schools she had surveyed did not have voting student representation. In particular, she noted that at Christopher Newport University, students are permitted to present issues of interest, but are then required to withdraw from faculty deliberation. The phrase "a spot on the schedule" was discussed. Mr. McCarthy noted that the Bullet provides a voice for students and supported the idea of non-voting student representation with a designated place on the meeting schedule. He agreed to create a draft suggestion of this idea for the committee's further deliberation.

The suggestion was made that the Bullet should regularly highlight service opportunities, and that this committee should provide a better conduit for the two-way flow of information between students and faculty.

Ms. Houff reiterated the importance of linking the Stafford Campus to student activities. One thought was to promote a "Battle of the Bands," inviting Fredericksburg students to visit and use the Stafford Campus facilities.

The meeting adjourned at 14h10, with the next meeting scheduled for 18 November 2011 at 11h45 in the Underground.