

Student Affairs Committee
Minutes Wednesday, May 18, 2016

Attendees: Alexandra Tower - Chair, Esau Tovar - Vice Chair, Deyna Hearn, Denise Kinsella, Lucy Kluckhohn-Jones, Karen Legg, Alicia Villalpando, Betty Wong, Benny Blaydes, Johnathon Hughes (Student Rep), Heather Haro (Student Rep).

Excused/Absent: Laurie Guglielmo, Nathalie Laille, Gail Fukuhara.

1. Call to order: 1:00 pm

2. Public Comments

- a. Johnathon Hughes thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve on the Committee.
- b. Benny thanked Johnathon for creating the food program that provides roughly 50 meal vouchers every day for our students in need of assistance. The program has also helped identify homeless students and refers them to additional services.
- c. Alex thanked Johnathan for his participation on the Committee.
- d. Johnathon informed the Committee that the Associated Student Constitution Committee proposed removing language in their constitution that requires students who fall below the minimum unit requirement to be immediately removed from their position. The Associated Student Constitution Committee instead proposed that the dismissal of student government participants go through the judicial review.
 - i. Deyna advised the Committee that the Judicial Committee does not have the authority to make an exception to the 8 unit minimum, and that being sent to judicial review for this purpose may not be appropriate, given that being sent to judicial review typically has a negative connotation.
 - ii. Lucy suggested that if the goal is to avoid mid-term vacancies, that the Associated Student Constitution could potentially be revised to allow students to finish the term before they must vacate their position.
 - iii. Benny Blades was in support of the students being allowed to stay in their positions until they serve out the end of their term or until a replacement is found.
 - iv. Johnathon asked if Judicial Committee could be empowered to review the individual circumstances surrounding the disqualification and offer winter or summer classes as a remedy if appropriate.
 - v. Esau mentioned that the Judicial Review process could take weeks, and is a lot for a student to go through just because they dropped a class. Esau is in support of Lucy's suggestion that the Associated Student Constitution, and potentially the Administrative Regulation, be revised to allow students to finish the term before they must vacate their position.
 - vi. Alex recommended that if the students are interested in proposing further changes to AR 4420 Student Government, that they email Beatriz Magallon the incoming Student Affairs Committee Chair, as May 18th is the last meeting for this year's Committee.

3. Motion to approve minutes from April 27, 2016 by Johnathon Hughes, 2nd by Deyna Hearn. The Committee voted 10 yes - 0 no - 0 abstain, to approve the minutes as presented.

4. Motion to approve minutes from May 4, 2016 by Karen Legg, 2nd by Johnathon Hughes. The Committee voted 10 yes - 0 no - 0 abstain, to approve the minutes as presented.

5. Meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm

Respectfully submitted by Ann Marie Leahy