**Committee Name: Student Affairs Policy Committee (SAPC)**

**Meeting Date & Time: January 23, 2015**

**Meeting Location: SGA Conference Room (Student Activity Center)**

**Attendance**:

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| **Members “P” denotes Present, “A” denotes Absent, “R” denotes Regrets** | | | |
| P | Donna Bennett | P | Macon McGinley |
| P | Nicole DeClouette | P | Holly Nix |
| P | Ruth Eilers | P | Janna Parker |
| R | Victoria Ferree | P | Amy Pinney |
| P | Heidi Fowler | R | Cathy Stevens |
| P | Juawn Jackson | P | Tyler Bragg |
| P | Andy Lewter |  |  |
| Guests: Jesper Hagel | | | |
|  | *Italicized text denotes information from a previous meeting.* |  |  |
|  | \*Denotes new discussion on old business. |  |  |

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| Agenda Topic (Committees should feel free to customize this template to make it as functional for them as possible. Other categories of topics might include Reports, Information Items, Unfinished Business, etc.) | Discussions & Conclusions | Action or Recommendations | Follow-Up {including dates/responsible person, status (pending, ongoing, completed)} |
| **I. Call to order** | Meeting called to order at 2:04 pm |  |  |
| **II. Approval of Agenda** | Andy moved to approve the agenda. Donna seconded the motion.  Agenda approved. |  |  |
| **III. Approval of Minutes** | Andy moved to approve the October 2014 minutes.  Amy seconded the motion.  Minutes approved. |  |  |
| **IV. Informational Items** | Welcome, Tyler Bragg, as he replaces Moriah Thomas as the SGA representative. |  |  |
| **V. Old Business** |  |  |  |
| **1. November SAPC Meeting** | November SAPC meeting was cancelled because no quorum, but the group had an informal discussion. |  |  |
| **2. Grade Appeal Process** | Grade appeal process was moved out of SAPC and steered to APC.  The policy is already in place. Accessing and interpreting the policy is the issue. The policy currently reads that students have to go to the professor first in the event of a grade appeal. The problem is that going to the professor is the only way to appeal, and there obviously is a power differential between student and professor. Going to the professor first may not always be the best solution.  Moriah went to ECUS to give the background context on this. It’s not easy to find the grade appeal process online because its under academic “grievance” not under “appeal.” Its also written in “policy language” so its not that easy for students to access.  Students should keep their eyes on this—track this through APC. |  |  |
| **3. Common Meeting Time** | Common meeting time now has been steered to RPIPC. |  |  |
| **4. Housing Policy for Upperclassmen** | The issue is that there are no beds available for upperclassmen in campus dorms. There are plenty of spaces for upperclassmen to live on west campus. Bruce sent data on this. Freshmen are required to live on campus. So we are taking this off our agenda; there is no further action we can take on this. |  |  |
| **5. Academic Bills of Rights** | Academic Bill of Rights already exists—passed by both student senate and university senate. The issue is how to make students aware of it.  There’s a difference between the Bill of Rights as standards and holding a faculty member responsible for “violating” the Bill of Rights. Usually, violations are pushed to grievance policies and procedures.  SGA has now posted the Academic Bill of Rights on their website. SAPC agreed that it would be a good thing for professors to include this link on their syllabi. Macon will take this to ECUS today. Provost may have to be the one to make that decision. |  |  |
| **V. New Business** Actions/Recommendations |  |  |  |
| **1. Greek Organizations** | Kappa Sigma was put on probation by Greek organizations but they still are recruiting students.  Is there a policy about this? Macon could not find a policy.  Officially Kappa Sigma was removed from campus Fall 2012 because of behavior, hazing, etc. GC does not recognize them as a fraternity; they are not part of recruitment, Greek Week, etc.  Most of the time, national offices come in and pull charters when campuses don’t recognize fraternities anymore. Kappa Sigma National hasn’t done that; Kappa Sigma national has said that they are going to do what they want to do. They still see them as operating as a national chartered organization.  GC suspended them for four years (after their last operation). They have not stopped operating, so their four years has never begun.  GC Website: Kappa Sigma is still listed as an Intrafraternity Council (IFC) organization. This needs to be changed.  They were also dropped from IFC National Council.  You need to be IFC recognized in order to be recognized at GC. They are not even covered under the insurance that covers other Greek organizations.  Alums wanted a tent for tent city but that was denied because you have to be recognized as a student organization in order to have a tent.  What are the benefits for becoming recognized: IFC recruitment, Greek week, using campus facilities.  We can’t prevent a student from associating with them, wearing their letters, living in their house in the city, etc.  GC’s IFC recruitment was moved to the fall semester because traditionally it was held in spring but Kappa Sigma recruited in fall; once IFC moved to fall, Kappa Sigma recruited a week earlier than IFC. Andy is waiting for the grade report to see if pledging in the fall made a difference with grades. There is typically more structure during pledging (no drinking, keep grades up, etc.). |  |  |
| **2. R25 Policy** | RPIPC passed the policy on space reservations.  Juawn has been working with Artis Williamson about changing the policy.  Juawn wants to give the same rights to student organizations and non-academic organizations over building spaces that are not classrooms before the drop/add period.  The problem is that the policy is not being implemented. This is probably a RPIPC issue.  Juawn will draft the policy revision to propose to the senate. Macon will take it to ECUS this afternoon. |  |  |
| VI. Next Meeting | February 27, 2015 |  |  |
| Topics for Discussion |  |  |  |
| VII. Adjournment | Amy moved to adjourn the meeting.  Andy seconded. Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm. |  |  |

**Distribution(as determined in committee operating procedure – one possibility given):**

First; To Committee Membership for Review

Second: Posted to the Minutes Website

**Approved by:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Committee Chairperson (Including this Approval by chair at committee discretion)

**Guidance**

**Committee Name: Student Affairs Policy Committee (SAPC)**

**Committee Officers: Macon McGinley (Chair), Amy Pinney (Vice Chair), Nicole DeClouette (secretary)**

**Academic Year: 2014-2015**

**Aggregate Member Attendance at Committee Meetings for the Academic Year:**

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| Meeting Dates | | 8/15/14 | 8/22/14 | 10/3/14 | 11/14/14  Cancelled | 1/23/15 | 2/27/15 | 4/3/15 |  |  |
| Donna Bennett | | P | P | P |  | P |  |  |  |  |
| Nicole DeClouette | | R | P | P |  | P |  |  |  |  |
| Ruth Eilers | | P | P | P |  | P |  |  |  |  |
| Victoria Ferree | | P | R | P |  | R |  |  |  |  |
| Heidi Fowler | | R | R | R |  | P |  |  |  |  |
| Juawn Jackson | | P | R | P |  | P |  |  |  |  |
| Andy Lewter | | R | P | P |  | P |  |  |  |  |
| Macon McGinley | | P | P | P |  | P |  |  |  |  |
| Holly Nix | | P | P | P |  | P |  |  |  |  |
| Janna Parker | | R | P | P |  | P |  |  |  |  |
| Amy Pinney | | P | P | P |  | P |  |  |  |  |
| Cathy Stevens | | P | P | P |  | R |  |  |  |  |
| Moriah Thomas | | P | P | R |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tyler Bragg | |  |  |  |  | P |  |  |  |  |

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