

WINSTON-SALEM STATE UNIVERSITY Board of Trustees: Student Affairs Subcommittee Meeting 307 Thompson Center – Conference Room Thursday, June 8, 2017 10 am

MINUTES

Members Present: Mr. Charles Wright-Chair, Mrs. Debra Miller, Mr. Osyris Uqoezwa, Mr. Javonty Hunter and Dr. Trae T. Cotton

Members Absent: Mrs. Coretta Bigelow

University Staff: Mr. Jamar Banks and Ms. Angela Blue

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am and roll was called.

Approval of the Minutes-March 16, 2017

A motion was made to approve the minutes. This motion was initiated by Debra Miller and seconded by Osyris Uqoezwa.

Report of the Vice Chancellor - Dr. Trae T. Cotton

Dr. Cotton welcomed the Board and staff sharing the following Divisional highlights:

Assessment

Ms. Angela Blue has been asked to coordinate Divisional assessment efforts within Student Affairs as departments collectively and continually explore assessment education, outcome development and methodologies that define and improve our service levels and student competencies.

Professional Development

The Division will continue its professional development initiatives by seeking to develop its Directors in-line with what ACPA & NASPA have currently defined as the 10 professional competency areas for Student Affairs Educators.

<u>Student Leadership Development:</u> At the close of the Spring 2017 semester, Campus Life executed a two and a half day Student Leadership Retreat. Participants in this Retreat consisted of over 100 campus organizational leaders. During this event, students explored conversations, expectations and intentional outcomes from leadership development. Chancellor Robinson, Dr. Trae Cotton and Mr. Jamar Banks culminated this event with remarks on the final day in hopes to provide our student leaders with a foundation with which to begin their service during the Fall 2017 semester.

Campus Wide Initiatives

<u>Free Speech:</u> General Administration has spearheaded recent conversations among UNC campuses about free speech protocols on our campuses. Dr. Cotton and contemporaries will be engaging in follow up conversations on how to navigate issues surrounding free speech on public campuses in order to remain in legislative compliance.

<u>RamAssist: Care-Threat-SART Team:</u> RamAssist threat assessment has been slightly modified to more appropriately identify differing levels of assistance needed among our student populations. "Ram Care" is meant to identify individuals who are in need of preliminary psychosocial and crisis intervention; "Ram Threat" is to identify those individuals that may be a viable threat to campus safety/security and the Sexual Assault Response Team known as "SART"- is in place to walk students through the steps and protocols necessary to address students involved with sexual assaults.

Report of the SGA President

Miss Mona Zahir, the outgoing SGA President highlighted some of the more notable SGA accomplishments which include but are not limited to the following as presented by the incoming SGA President Javonty Hunter:

<u>Initiatives</u>	Department/Branch	Student Impact	BOT Attention
Enter to Learn, Depart to ServeAbroad!	Student & Academic Affairs/SGA Vice- President of External Affairs	To increase student exposure to globalization and encourage service and cultural exchange. With Habitat for Humanity and Global Village, 14 students and SGA Advisor, Heather Davis, embarked on a trip to San Juan, Dominican Republic where we constructed a new house for a family living in the rural country. Students and advisor engaged in teamwork, service learning applications, cultural exchanges, historical context of the nation, and humanitarian philosophies regarding service and education. Impact: Out of 15 total, 10 reported never traveling abroad until this experience with exception to military service. Diversity: 7 females, 7 males, no GPA requirement, athletes, SGA members, under and upperclassmen, Greek members, and over 7 different majors and minors.	

Zen Zone	SGA Executive Branch/Mr. McMullen in Facilities/Dr. Mills	To combat mental health amongst college students, a new land on campus was newly identified as the "Zen Zone" (between Blair and Carolina Hall) to encourage therapeutic academic practices.	•
		 Trinfinity hammocks purchased by Finances to accommodate 6 students. \$30,000 was awarded to WSSU for the Home Depot Retool Your School Project! Funds will be used to replace deteriorating benches and construct a gazebo at the Zen Zone to protect our historic bell. 	
Exec to Exec	Chancellor Office	To ensure the progression of the	\checkmark
Luncheon	Cabinet/SGA Executive Cabinet	Hunter and future Administrations, a roundtable occurred between both executive cabinets and SGA advisor to reflect on the year and analyze strengths, areas of growth, opportunities, and threats.	
		Outcome: A mutual decision to establish monthly meetings beginning the 2017-2018 academic year with student and chancellor executive offices for transparency, effective communication, and opportunity to strive towards a shared goal that benefits all stakeholders of the institution.	

SGA Student Spotlight

- SGA Position Transitions
 - o Camryn Ivey
 - Old: Vice-President of Internal Affairs
 - New: Senator Pro Tempore
 - Michael Lewis
 - Old: Chief of Staff
 - New: Vice-President of Internal Affairs
 - o Dontae Moore
 - Re-elected for Secretary of Commuter Affairs
- Eight 2017 Graduates from the Zahir Administration

Moving Forward

• SGA Strategic Plan Implementation 2017 – 2020

"Thank you WSSU for the opportunity to serve our students. We are proud to say we learned, overcame obstacles, and built long lasting relationships. We have challenged the existing." –Zahir Administration

Mr. Hunter closed by sharing that he would like to implement a leadership initiative that would allow participating students to receive a certificate of completion as well as a new business suite that would ideally be donated by local retailers.

<u>Adjournment</u>

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting was adjourned with a motion at 11: 29 a.m.

Angela Blue Recording Secretary