

## Campus Council Spring 2013 Meeting – Minutes (DRAFT)

April 17, 2013, Old Main, Giffels Auditorium

- I. Call to Order – Mary Savin, Chair, at 4:00 p.m.
- II. Roll Call – Janine Parry, acting secretary, called the roll
  - A. Attending – Mary Savin, Linda Jones, Bob Brady, Tim Kral, Ches Jones, Tori Pohlner, Mike Norton, Jeremy Battjes, Trish Watkins, Neil Allison, Janine Parry, Tom Jensen, Kathleen Lehman, Necia Parker Gibson, Autumn Parker, Melynda Hart, Jonnelle Colbert-Diaz, Kelly Marie Carter, Eva Marie Owens, Henry Rowe, Elizabeth Kyle, Autumn Lewis (sub), Sanket Desai (sub), Will Simpson, Cathryn Fleener, Chris Bruick, John Kester, Bo Renner, Murray Lace, Abby Brumfield, Rachel Slank
  - B. Absent – Tim Tucker, Michael Vayda, Jeff Shannon, Robin Roberts, Eli Jones, Tom Smith, Terry Martin, Todd Shields, Stacy Leeds, Bob McMath, Carolyn Henderson Allen, Kathy Comfort, Norm Dennis, Kevin Hall, Curt Rom, Chauncey Brummer, Joel Freund, Cheryl Murphy, Inza Fort, Jeannie Whayne, Anna Zajicek, Douglas Rhoads, Eric Vaught, Lisa Frye, Donnie Blagg, Denise Bignar, Natalie Kramer, Jeremy McAtee, Lisa Turner, Chris Nixon, Andy Gilbride, Elizabeth Cunningham, Eric Specking, Amy May West, Lauren Rogers, Rachel Freeman, Ellie Keffler, Jackie Jenkins
- III. Adopt Agenda – adopted
- IV. Approve Minutes from Dec. 4, 2012
  - Please change Councilor Colbert to Colbert-Diaz on minutes and membership list.
  - Approved as amended
- V. Chancellor G. David Gearhart made remarks to the Council and offered to do some Q and A.
  - A good year, if one that presented some challenges.
  - Looking ahead, adoption of “private option”/implementation of Affordable Care Act/Medicaid expansion this week appears to position the UA to see the first increase in state support in some time. Without that savings, substantial tuition increase would be needed in order to meet institutions obligations and goals.
  - There are still a number of unknowns with respect to anything budget related (e.g., tuition, salaries, hiring, etc.) until the legislature finishes its work.
  - Library = many needs; need increased, permanent revenue stream ... working on that
  - Many construction projects wrapping up this summer.
  - Likely fall enrollment will be approximately 25,000, despite the fact that admissions is being slightly more selective. Applications at all-time high and we’re institution of first choice for large proportion of those ... both in and out of state.

## VI. Reports

- A. Associated Student Government Report – Tori Pohlner, ASG President
  - Numerous successful events this year, still many planned including the Faculty Appreciation Banquet this week
  - Started talks with Faculty Senate about a voluntary syllabus database
  - Vending machines in the Mullins Library and ISIS improvements including unofficial transcript additions
  - Moved Housing to use 2-ply toilet paper!
  - Introduced Bo Renner, incoming ASG president
- B. Faculty Senate Report – Tim Kral, Faculty Senate Chair
  - Intersessions adopted and first one implemented next month
  - Also changed up the class schedule; goes into effect in the fall; to observe a 15-minute pass time between classes
  - Legislative mandates with respect to maximum of 120 hours have been met with the exception of the College of Education and Health Professions ... in progress
  - Tightened the language in the final exam policy
  - Nearly unanimous resolution to support existing campus gun policy, which the legislature did not heed
  - Hosted UA system president Don Bobbitt and Michael Moore for Q and A on system-level on-line degree proposal as well as reduced mental health coverage/smaller network under switch to UMR.
  - Expressed appreciation for the approachability, candor, and transparency of this administration!
- C. Staff Senate Report, Jeremy Battjes, Staff Senate Chair
  - Maternity/paternity leave policy changes ... for faculty and nonclassified staff went into effect in the fall. It appears classified faculty who make up to \$45,000 will have short-term disability coverage starting next year ... preliminary but hopeful.
  - Raises, if they happen, will not cover parking increases so working on restructuring parking fee (sliding scale ... bottom level to cover employees earning up to \$45,000 under current proposal)

## VII. Summary of Campus Council Committee Reports

- A. Artists & Concerts – Lorraine Lorne, Chair
  - Rec'd 17 proposals; awarded \$300 to \$2500 to nine different projects.
  - This year proposals will be due 4/30; the amount to be distributed is \$9,189, the same as last year.
- B. Catastrophic Leave – Stacey Freeman, Chair, and Leah Williams (presented by Mary Savin)
  - Bank balance for faculty has 57K hours; staff has 36K hours
  - The 2012 annual donation drive was successful.
- C. All-University Conduct Board – no report for spring 2013
- D. University Distinguished Lectures – Tyler Priest, Chair (Caitlyn Britt reporting)
  - Hosted Apple Co Founder Steve Wozniak on 4/7.

- Next event is an evening with John Legend on 4/29 at 7 in Barnhill. Focus is sustainability and philanthropic efforts and he will perform four songs
- Next year's committee and plans already underway.
- E. Fringe Benefits – no report but see meeting minutes on line:  
<http://www.uark.edu/depts/campcoun/comminutes/fringeminutesfeb2013.pdf>), Nancy Hart, Chair
- F. Student Financial Aid – The committee has had 46 appeals from January until now, Cathy Lirgg, Chair
- G. Student Honors, Awards and Convocations – no report for spring 2013
- H. Student Relations --- no report for spring 2013
- VIII. Old Business – none
- IX. New Business
  - A. Elect new campus council chair – Necia Parker Gibson
  - B. Elect a new council vice chair – Jonnelle Colbert-Diaz
- X. Announcements – Janine Parry asked those attendance to let her know if they missed the roll call.
- XI. Adjourned at 4:43 p.m.