Student Life and Development Committee
Minutes of the Meeting
October 16, 2003
12:15PM
Lanier Suite

Members Present:  Rebecca Stout    Pamela Anthony
Elizabeth Heidler    Nancy Floyd
Rashida Davis    Andrea Hill
Renee Douglas    Rick Burt
Nicole Schechter    Leslie Wilson
Jeannie Barrett  Sarah Scharber (guest)
Elizabeth Firestone (for Marolyn Wells)
San Miller

Call to order:
Meeting called to order at 12:23pm by committee chair, Dr. Stout.

Approval of Minutes:
Elizabeth Heidler motioned to approve last month’s minutes, Pam Anthony seconded the motion. The committee unanimously approved the minutes.

Sub-committee Reports:
Charter sub-committee
Elizabeth Heidler informed the committee that the sub-committee approved 20 charters. Leslie Wilson read the 20 organization names as follows:

- Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority
- Psi Chi Psychology National Honor Society
- Collaborative Mathematics Education Research Group (CMERG)
- Rho Tau Organization
- Nia Umoja Ujima
- Libertarians of GA State
- Big Brothers, Big Sisters of GA State
- Golden Key International Honour Society
- Moy Nguvu Martial Arts Club
- Middle East US Friendship Organization (MIDUS)
- Rehabilitation Counseling Association at Ga State
- Black Out
- The Entrepreneur Network
- National Society of Collegiate Scholars
- Chabad of Ga State University
- Latter Day Saint Student Association
- Literary Society of Ga State
- Economics Club
- Generation Dean at Ga State University
- Students for Clark
- Rachel’s Daughters, Inc at Ga State

Elizabeth Heidler motioned to approve all charters as approved by the sub-committee. Rashida Davis seconded the motion. Jeannie Barrett asked if the charter packets were clear about making sure the organizations were aware of the hazing policies. Dr. Stout explained that the charter packet requires the student organizations to sign off verifying that they have read and/or are aware of the code of conduct. The committee unanimously approved the charters.

Administrative Policies Sub-Committee:
Pam Anthony reported that the sub-committee will be meeting within the next 2 weeks. They will be addressing the following topics: Late Night Party Policy – updating the information and the form. They will also review the Chartering Process. Pam also extended an invitation for more people to be a part of the sub-committee.

**Code of Conduct Sub-committee:**
Dr. Stout reported on behalf of Maisha McClain. The sub-committee has met once and discussed proposed revisions to the Code of Conduct. The sub-committee will group, prioritize, and make recommendations about what changes need to be made. They also discussed whether there should be a complete revision of the Code and are looking to compare the current Code to national examples. If there is a need to totally rewrite the Code, the Student Life and Development Committee will be updated.

**Strategic Planning Committee Update:**
Sandy Miller presented an update to the committee. The Strategic Planning Committee discussed priorities for the upcoming year such as the centennial vision for 2003 – what programs will be focused on and what the committee wants Georgia State University to be known and recognized for. Sandy provided the following information:

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**MEMORANDUM**

*October 16, 2003*

**TO:** Student Life and Development Committee  
**FROM:** San Miller  
**RE:** Strategic Planning Subcommittee

The first subcommittee meeting met in October to review the 2003 Action Plan as to its goal statements and if these statements were accomplished during that year.

The Provost proposed a draft of an RFP to consider the University’s Centennial Vision for 2013 and to define the University’s areas of focus (i.e., programs, activities). It is hoped that an RFP would precipitate innovative proposals for consideration such as University core of undergraduate and masters programs that are valued and essential to Georgia State, as well as to the areas of for which to invest. The following factors may be considered:

1. **Area of Focus**  
2. **Atlanta context**  
3. **Subjects of concentration**  
4. **Departments**  
5. **Library/media**  
6. **Outreach**  
7. **Teaching**  
8. **Resource needs**
9. **Assessment of chances of success**

   a. **Leadership**
   
   b. **Existing core strengths**
   
   c. What have the funds invested in the area in the past yielded the university in terms of impact and reputation?
   
   d. **Existing reputation** – evidence of some excellence both quantitative and qualitative
   
   e. **Companion strengths in other colleges**
   
   f. **Partners and clients within Atlanta region** – “fit” between needs and interest of community and our offerings
   
   g. **Viable target clients beyond Georgia**
   
   h. **Willingness to raise bar** – in faculty hiring, salary, and P/T
   
   i. **Reputation of other Georgia institutions in area of focus**
   
   j. **Potential for extramural support** – federal, state, business, development

   External demand indicators both quantitative and qualitative

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**Senate Budget Priorities for FY 2005:**

Dr. Stout presented information and asked for input regarding budget priorities that the Budget Sub-committee on Priorities will be composing. The Budget sub-committee needs suggestions or recommendations about priorities that would enhance success and achievement at GA State University. Dr. Stout distributed a handout of last year’s report, which is the basis for the report for 2005, as it is still relevant. There are 6 priorities that the sub-committee will focus on, they are as follows:

1. **Financial support for academic programs**
2. **Insurance for graduate students**
3. **Enhance the percentage of tenure-track faculty**
4. **Increased support for collections and services of the University’s libraries**
5. **Increased funding for internal grants**
6. **Facility support services**

Dr. Stout asked the committee for suggestions from the committee on what they see as issues that should be addressed; for example, enhancing the study abroad programs at GA State. Elizabeth Heidler asked how student services fits into the plan, Dr. Stout explained that it does not in its current form, however, this is why she needs suggestions so that it may be reflected. Rick Burt suggested that the budget should financially support student involvement opportunities. Other suggestions from the committee were to fund internship programs, publicize the resources that are available to students, web development, enhancing the admissions brochure – including designing the admissions material to be specific to undergraduate students and separate materials for graduate students.

**Special Presentation – Student Leadership Programs:**

The committee heard a presentation from Sarah Scharber Jarrett regarding student leadership programs at GA State University. She explained the philosophy behind leadership development, and explained the model used at GA State. The model was based on a document drafted a couple years ago entitled the Georgia Statement on Leadership, which focuses on personal values and community values. The unique aspect of the Georgia Statement on Leadership, is that it is not a sequential program, students can become leaders or participate at any time. Some of the programs currently in place at GA State are the Emerging Leaders Program, Conclave, The Lead Team, and the Community Development Council.

**Committee Self Study:**

Per the University Senate Committee’s request, each University Senate committee was to conduct a self study to verify its relevance. The Student Life and Development Committee agreed that it continues to meet its mandate and is effective in what it does. Dr. Stout stated that the committee may want to review what honors
or awards are made available to students.

Meeting adjourned at 1pm.

Next meeting, November 20, 2003, Lanier Suite.

Leslie Wilson, Secretary