Student Life and Development Committee Meeting
Minutes from Thursday, March 23, 2006

Members Present

Pamela Anthony, Brant Barber, Jeannie Barrett, Elizabeth Burgess, Elisabeth Firestone, Mary Catherine Gebhardt, David Houchins, Dominique Huff, Stacy Koshko, San Miller, Rebecca Stout

I. Welcome
Dr. Stout called the meeting to order at 12:25 pm.

II. Approval of Minutes
A motion to approve the minutes was made by Dominique Huff and seconded by Elisabeth Burgess. The motion was approved unanimously.

III. Old Business
Committee Membership Proposal to University Statutes and Bylaws
Dr. Stout provided an update regarding the membership proposal. The impetus for the proposal was to address the issue that student members of Student Life and Development have raised regarding the number of committee assignments they have as senators. They have been critiqued for not attending committee meetings; however, they often serve on 4-5 committees which makes it difficult to balance with their numerous other responsibilities.

Dr. Stout reviewed the two recommendations to be presented to University Statutes and Bylaws based on the committee’s previous discussions regarding this topic:
1) Replace 5 of the University Senators with 5 students appointed by the SGA President. These appointees would not be limited to student members of the SGA, but rather would provide the SGA President with the flexibility to appoint from the general student body.
2) Allow Student Life and Development Committee to be exempt from the rule that no more than 25% of any designated standing committee (except FACP) shall be non-elected senators.

Cathy Gebhardt recommended that two of the five appointees by the SGA President be graduate students. San Miller further recommended that this be a requirement rather than a recommendation; however, the committee decided that it is better to give the SGA President autonomy in making appointments with the goal of accurately reflecting the student body. Dominique inquired about how to hold appointees accountable and it was recommended that language be incorporated into the SGA governing documents to address this issue.

Cathy Gebhardt motioned that the committee approve the proposed recommendations. The motion was seconded by San Miller and approved unanimously.

Dr. Stout thanked all of the committee members for their service and announced that the organizing meeting of the SLDC for 2006-2007 will be May 4, 2006.

Dr. Stout left the meeting to attend the University Senate Committee on University Statutes and Bylaws meeting. Pamela Anthony resumed facilitation of the meeting.

Plaza Reservation/Amplification Policy
Pamela Anthony provided an updated of the sub-group that is addressing the issues of the noise level
during activities held on Library Plaza. It appears that student organizations have not been consistent with stopping their music within the predetermined time limit. Therefore, the question of who is responsible for making sure student organizations adhere to the policies and procedures regarding this matter was posed. One question was whether a staff member should be appointed specifically to enforce the regulations or whether student organizations should be held accountable for following the rules on their own accord.

Brant Barber suggested making student organizations accountable for their actions. Repercussions for violating the policies were discussed, such as suspending an organization from hosting events on the plaza for a specific timeframe or utilizing a fine structure. Stacy Koshko mentioned that student organizations are fined by the Student*University Center for event cancellations and/or other situations related to room reservations. Also, as a possible solution, Dominique Huff suggested moving student activities into Hurt or Woodruff Park. After a brief discussion it was determined that Hurt Park may be more feasible to host such activities.

Discrimination/Discriminatory Harassment Pre-Hearing Panel Working Group
Pam Anthony announced that the working group will meet on Thursday, April 13 @ 12:15 in the ODOS Conference Room.

IV. Action Items

Student Organization Charter Subcommittee
Stacy Koshko presented the subcommittee report recommending approval of the following student organization charters:

**Petition for New Charter 05-06**
Drawing and Painting Authority
Italian Club at Georgia State University
National Art Education Association

**Former Charter Terminated (did not meet re-charter deadline) - Petition for New Charter 05-06**
Entrepreneur Network
Music and Entertainment Industry Student Association

Stacy Koshko motioned to approve the charters as recommended. Brant Barber seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Stacy Koshko also announced that May 1st is the deadline for organization charter renewals. Renewal applications will be available beginning April 5, 2006.

V. Adjournment
Pamela Anthony adjourned the meeting at 1:00 pm.