

University Affairs Meeting Special Minutes

A.S. Administrative Conference Room

September 7th, 2017

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** 4:00pm
- II. A. Roll Call
 - Present – A. Canas, C. Martinez, A. Thomas, K. Campbell-Wright, J. Espinoza
 - Absent – H. Nyguen, A. Murali, B. Czarnecka
- III. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: September 7th, 2017 Unanimous**
- IV. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: August 31st, 2017 Unanimous** C. Martinez, K. Campbell-Wright
- V. **OPEN FORUM:** Pushback from some groups on campus regarding DACA Advocacy work, will be postponing
- VI. **REPORTS:**
 - Chair - A. Canas – Continue working on legislative referrals, Sen. Cardiel officially resigned from position, general rules; no phones during meetings unless emergency
 - Vice Chair – A. Thomas – please include me on all emails to Sen. Canas
 - Advisor – L. Vincent – Not Present
- VII. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**
 - Legislative Referrals:
 - i. **Student Housing & Security for Homeless Students** – (Senator Cardiel & Espinosa) no update, did not speak to Jess, will be working on her own for now, want updates for next week
 - ii. **Improving Department Tutoring Centers** – (Senator Nguyen, Czarnecka, & Murali) **Sen. Czarneck** – Chemistry, emailed chair of dept and awaiting response; no updates **Sen. Murali** – Math, visited center in Live Oak, email assistant director for developmental math program, resources and space were the issues, many students going to the center, more updates next week **Sen. Nyguen** – Accounting, discussed working on Finance dept, not sure if that is the appropriate place to start, wants to find out which dept. within COBAE are having issues with their tutoring

centers, speak to Sen. Silva to see what she thinks about where to begin because she was the author of the initial referral, see which courses have tutoring available and go from there to see which centers need help

- iii. **Financial Literacy Refreshers** – (Senator Martinez) not much information about refreshers on financial aid site, only instructions on how to apply, only resource is Mohela – mandatory class when taking out loan, possibly trying to find ways to establish an interactive refresher course, didn't speak to Frida about Peer Financial Mentoring Program, needs contact info
- iv. **Expansion of Meal Plan Program on Campus** – (Senator Campbell Wright and Thomas) **Sen. Campbell-Wright** – did research, studied abroad domestically in Mississippi, university had a “block meal plan”, meaning meal plan users would have the opportunity to purchase food for a specific period time and with a limited amount of money to spend, hasn't reached out to David **Sen. Thomas** – no update ; speak to David about who heads the meal plan and introduce idea to get feedback

VIII. NEW BUSINESS: N/A

IX. DISCUSSION ITEMS: H. Nguyen permission to be recognized - Granted

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS: send in updates, you should be reading all emails from chair and vice chair, chair will be there to help but will not be doing the work for you, office hours are up on AS website, continue working on referrals. Sen. Espinosa will be working, farmer's market on Tuesday

XI. ROLL CALL:

- Present – A. Canas, C. Martinez, A. Thomas, K. Campbell-Wright, J. Espinoza H. Nyguen
- Absent –A. Murali, B. Czarnecka

XII. ADJOURNMENT: 4:22pm