

BOARD OF REGENTS
EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

SECTION: 4
DATE: October 19, 2010

RECOMMENDATION

MONTHLY REPORT & MINUTES
STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

ACTION REQUESTED

It is recommended that the Student Affairs Committee Agenda for October 19, 2010 and the Minutes of September 21, 2010 be received and placed on file.

STAFF SUMMARY

At the September 21, 2010 meeting the Committee welcomed its new members for the 2010-2011 year. The annual fall start-up report, as well as reports on the 2010-11 Student Leader Group Priorities and recent Housing, Dining and Student Center enhancements were also presented.

The October 19, 2010 agenda includes a report on the Student Leader Group's master calendar priority item and an update on Diversity and Community Involvement initiatives.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The proposed Board action has been reviewed and is recommended for Board approval.

Bernice Al Lindke
University Executive Officer

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Date

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
Board of Regents
STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, October 19, 2010
1:45 p.m.

Agenda

Room 201
Welch Hall

1. Approval of September 21, 2010 Meeting Minutes Regent Hawks
2. Student Leader Group Priority: Master Calendar Shanita Williams/Vicki Patton
3. Diversity & Community Involvement Report Reginald Barnes
4. Announcements

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
Board of Regents
STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
Minutes of September 21, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT

Regents: Gary Hawks, Floyd Clack

Administration: Bernice Lindke, Melissa Ginotti, Gregory Peoples

Students: Mallory Apel, Elizabeth Bahls, Yi Chunjingyue, Antonio Cosme, Muayad Mahmoud, David Monge, Jess Mulcahy, Brian Taylor, Aaron Tuttle, Shanita Williams, Andrea Wolverton

GUESTS

Administration: Oscar Alcaine, Meredith Blaine, Noah Borton, David Carroll, Jayne Carroll, Carlos Costa, Deb deLaski-Smith, Kevin Devine, Shaftone Dunklin, James Gallaher, Larry Gates, Melissa Ginotti, Ellen Gold, Erica Healander, Bob Heighes, Jesús Hernández, Ann Klaes, Brian Kulpa, Mary Larkin, Lisa Lauterbach, Kevin Lawson, John Lumm, Susan Martin, Daniel Mathis, Cathie McClure, Adam Meyer, Greg Millard, Jeff Nesmith, Greg O'Dell, Sarah Kersey Otto, Carl Powell, Nicholas Rachowicz, Jeremiah Richardson, Gretchen Sanchez, Lewis Savage, Chris Shell, Amy Simonson, Cynthia Van Pelt, Gretchen Ward, Kay Woodiel, Ron Woody

Students: Daré Adewole, Erica Andrzejewski, Andrew Bradley, Katie Holland, Kirk Howard, Jalani Jackson, Steve LaChance, Teri Stapleton, Joe Vainner, Jessica Williams, Paul Wojdacz

Regent Hawks convened the meeting at 1:45 p.m. Minutes of the April 20, 2010 meeting were approved as presented.

Introduction of New Members

Members of 2010-2011 Student Leader Group introduced themselves: Mallory Apel, Residence Hall Association President; Elizabeth Bahls, Graduate Student representative; Yi Chunjingyue, International Student Association President; Antonio Cosme, Student Body President; Muayad Mahmoud, Student Body Vice President; David Monge, Campus Life Council representative; Jess Mulcahy, LGBT representative; Brian Taylor, National Pan-Hellenic Council President; Aaron Tuttle, Commuter Student representative; Shanita Williams, Students of Color representative; and Andrea Wolverton, College Panhellenic Council representative. Melissa Ginotti, Director of Campus Life, who replaced Assistant Vice President Glenna Frank Miller, was also introduced. Vicki Patton, Students with Disabilities representative and Justin Frahm, Interfraternity Council President were unable to attend.

Annual Fall Start-Up Report

Ayanna McConnell, Program Coordinator of Orientation and Transition Programs and BJ Selfridge, Coordinator for Admissions Visit Programs presented the annual fall start-up report, "Bringin' in the Class @ EMU." In addition to detailing the wide array of fall opening activities, programs and services, the report included a look at the journey that led to Fall Start Up 2010. The report highlighted the Admissions recruitment efforts, the merging of Fast Track and Orientation under one Fusion Orientation umbrella, a streamlined on-line registration process that allowed registration for Fast Track

and Orientation at the same time, and the new options offered for transfer student orientation. Significant emphasis was also placed on helping students navigate “swing space” as a result of the Mark Jefferson and Pray Harrold renovations. Welcome tents were placed around campus and a new online Interactive Campus Map was launched to help students locate their classes. Regent Hawks and Vice President Lindke extended their appreciation to the hundreds of students, staff and faculty who helped make this year’s fall opening so successful.

2010-11 Student Leader Group Priorities

Jess Mulcahy, LGBT representative on the Student Affairs Committee, facilitated a presentation of the 2010-11 Student Leader Group priorities. Earlier this summer, the Student Leader Group developed a mission statement which was shared prior to outlining their goals for the 2010-11 year. It reads: “The Student Leader Group at Eastern Michigan University exists to advocate for and represent student interests by advising the Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management and the Board of Regents on behalf of the general student body. “

This year’s Student Leader Group priorities are:

- Improving academic advising for all students
- Improving the collection of student engagement data
- Increasing the effectiveness of faculty course evaluations
- Creating a universal campus events calendar
- Creating a policy that mandates university or family bathrooms in all new or renovated buildings and,
- Increasing student involvement

Each of these priorities will be presented in detail at Student Affairs Committee meetings throughout the year.

Housing, Dining and Student Center Enhancements

The committee received a report presented by Rebecca Figura, Director of Housing, Larry Gates, Director of Dining Services and Carlos Costa, Director, EMU Student Center outlining a number of physical and programmatic enhancements that have been made in their respective areas this year. Enhancements include the addition of internet access in all university apartments, new windows in the First Year Center, renovation of Pittman Hall using sustainable practices, a unified design for dining satellites that was developed in collaboration with students from the interior design program, and a completely remodeled E-zone gaming area in the Student Center.

Other

Reginald Barnes, Emu’s new Director of Diversity and Community Involvement was introduced and welcomed.

The meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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