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SACUB

Attendance: Hilary M, Michael W, Josh M, Alfred B, Anjylla F, Sam G, Akilah P, Dezaree S, Michael L, Sam K, Hannah J, Key B, Wen Xin Ko, TJ S, Meredith H, Mandy S, Sagil J, Taylor S (alternate for Michael J), Maesa I (alternate for Jared Y), Kathleen H, Sweta P

Minutes approved from November 28

Proposal to add Sustainability Seat: Lauren M

 Sustainability is part of the academic master plan

 Sustainability consists of a coalition of 15 student groups

 They attended the 1st sustainability summit and had 60 participants

 All of these mean that the students feel that sustainability needs to be represented in all aspects of the university

 Lauren will advertise to groups about applying for the seat

 Which group would the seat be from?

 The Student Sustainability Coalition – the Presidential Committee

 The Student Sustainability Coalition is a forum where many small groups meet

 The director makes sure that they groups work with each other, but it is not a student group that applies for funding

 Students groups get money from UFB

 Many students are interested in the position

 The students will be nominated and elected from members from the Student Sustainability Coalition’s groups

 Probably the presidents or vice presidents of those groups

 The presentation was intended to start a conversation about adding a sustainability seat

Welcome Week Representative: Dawn Wilson

 Wilson is the associate dean of students and resident education and development

 The co-chair for welcome week is Nicole Mayo

 With the change in semesters comes the change to welcome week**end**

 They need money for a steering committee who will help start the new initiatives for welcome weekend

 Schedule for welcome weekend

 Residence halls will open either Wed or Thursday

 Convocation will be either Friday or Sunday

 Common Intellectual Experience

 This is common at other universities

 It will include hands-on learning and registration online

 The welcome week book will not work for the welcome weekend

 First years will only be able to handle a limited number of options

 The bigger events will still be on the agenda

 Some events will be added, and some of the smaller events will be moved to later dates

 Student Activity Fair will be kept during the weekend

 Cincinnatus workshop will be moved to the following Wednesday

 The goal is to get students connected to the campus immediately

 Previously, welcome week has been funded by many different organizations paying for a spot to do their own events

 This does not work for welcome weekend

 Instead, some groups will be able to have their activities at a later time, and they will apply for their own funding

 The money they are asking for will go toward professor’s salaries, travel, admissions, and modest supplies

 Previously, the welcome week book cost $23,000

 They will still have this money, but they need more for publicity, online system so students can register over the summer, salary for professors, and a follow-up program to track the impacts

 There will be 130 Common Intellectual Experiences

 They will be separated by major/discipline

 Students will pick their top 3 or 4 and be placed based on how much room is in each program

 Faculty and staff and perhaps grad students will:

 Propose their Common Intellectual Experience program and will apply to the welcome weekend committee for reasonably estimated funding

 They are expecting 4,000 students

 They will try to attract every traditional first year student

 How will the assessment (follow up) be done?

 There will be a variety of options:

 Keep track of which students go to which program by having them swipe a card as they enter, Surveys and focus groups during fall semester

 The smaller groups (i.e. fraternity and sorority, campus ministries) who would have held their events during welcome week will now hold their events at target times during fall quarter

 They are not expecting to get additional funding from anywhere else

 They are asking for an additional $60,000 recurring

 Suggestions:

 Allocate $40,000 and have them juggle their schedule, make bigger Common Intellectual Experience groups

 Where does the $50,000 come from?

 # of first year students / # of groups + faculty salaries + travel + admissions + misc. costs

 Will there be an honorarium for the professors of the Common Intellectual Experiences?

 Has not been discussed before

 They need to be recognized and supported for the work that they will do before classes

 Programming budget

 Programming depends on when the Common Intellectual Experiences take place

 Common Intellectual Experience depend on when convocation takes place

 RED will pay for their own budget

 Would like to add late night programming, and collaborate with PAC

 They will be able to give a better budget in about 2 months

 Will they adapt the swipers for more than just Common Intellectual Experiences?

 Yes, they would like to

Amount able to allocate for 2012-2013 year

 3.5% tuition increase

 $79,356 one-time funds given 2011-2012

 $450,000

 Total: $529356 to allocate 2012-2013

Welcome Weekend Discussion

 Honorarium for professors will take up 2/3 of the welcome weekend cost

 This means that there needs to be quality Common Intellectual Experiences

 It is necessary to get students involved immediately because it is their first taste of campus

 How will their schedule work if our decisions are not made until May?

 Pilot Program

 They already have $46,000 that would have gone for making the welcome week book for 2012-2013 and 2013-2014

 What we would like from them:

 Update before our final decisions in May (Start of spring quarter)

 Gauge of interest from the professors (they only have 3 interested, but need 130)

 Proposals from professors for funding

 Sample proposal for a Common Intellectual Experience and other programming

 Suggestions:

 One time fund for a smaller amount now, then recurring for next year

 Cost could be minimized through better scheduling and moving things around

Sustainability discussion

 Would there be a difficulty in filling another seat?

 No, there are only 2 Grad and 4 Undergrad seats, which were simple to fill

 The student needs to be dedicated to sustainability

 The representative will come from the umbrella group, and if not, then president of a smaller group

 Are any current members active in a sustainability group?

 Then there would not be a large need for a separate seat

 Where does sustainability fit?

 Governing, ethnic, at-large

 To be clear, sustainability came to us

 Suggestions:

 Have Lauren send in a list of reasons why she feels that sustainability is underrepresented, and how a seat will help fix this

 A seat is needed to put student president’s goals into play

 We are an advisory board to the government

 The representative will report back to the smaller groups after each meeting