# **COUNCIL ON STUDENT AFFAIRS: Meeting Minutes**

## **Date and Attendance**

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

September 23, 2024

Attendance: Peter Carrera, Matt Couch, Adam Fromme, Mike Abito, Kirsten Myers, Sahana Prabhu, Krutant Mehta, Asha Raghavan, Elizabeth Rowles, Lorraine Pennyman, Bobby McAlpine, David Miller, Brittany Crall, Danny Glassmann, Deborah Grzybowski, Jack Tumulty, Sunny Saini, Dr. Melissa Shivers, Akua Nelson

#### Absent:

### **Old Business**

- 1. Approval of Meeting Minutes
- 2. Motion to approve by Sunny/Seconded by Sahana

## **New Business**

- 1. Approval of Agenda
  - a. Motion to approve by Sahana/Seconded by Harpreet
- 2. Land Acknowledgement: earthworks.osu.edu/land
- 3. Committees: Issues & Allocations
  - a. Issues
    - i. Meeting will start up this week
  - b. Allocations
    - i. Applications are being approve
    - ii. Kirsten Myers is Chair and Sahana Prabhu is vice chair.
    - iii. 330 programming applications
- 4. Student Government Updates
  - a. USG
    - i. Priorities for the year
      - 1. Final talks with Wall Street Journal for the entire student body.
      - 2. Several major projects are underway
      - 3. 220 applications for new members; accepted about 70
  - b. CGS
    - i. Overleaf subscription is still under discussion
    - ii. Special election for a senator, now at full 10 senators.
    - iii. CSG exec meeting this Friday
  - c. IPC
    - i. First meeting a couple weeks ago, 18 new senators
    - ii. Working on transitioning chair roles
- 5. Carryforward Redistribution
  - a. The amount of carryforward is decreasing which means the fees paid by current students are being used by current students.

- b. The committee will reflect on the 2023-24 school year to see what programing requests came in and use this information to work into the 2024-25 school year.
- c. Major questions: how much are people overestimating on an event?
- d. How are we going to redistribute our carryforward?
  - i. Fall 2024 was a little slower than Fall 23
  - ii. Goal to give more money to student orgs
    - 1. Example: USG aims to obtain multi-year contracts to balance out limited funds if they come.
  - iii. Unused money offered from previous year is to stay with the organizations.
- e. Through the SAF review, carryforward may cease after this 3-year review.
- f. Orgs must submit an annual review for the impact of these funds for students.
- 6. Office of Student Life (Updates from Dr. Melissa Shivers)
  - a. Fiscal Stewardship Policy
    - i. Be mindful that on any given day a request can be submitted to review money use. As money limitations increase, there may be more questions about what is being funded versus what is not.
    - ii. The application process for requesting funds may be causing the issue of food or no food.
  - b. First-Year Students
    - i. Students and families have been receptive to new class size, housing, and other resources
  - c. Buckeye Resource Center
    - i. Located in Younkin
    - ii. Plans to open in February or March 2025
  - d. Listen. Learn. Discuss.
    - i. https://listen-learn-discuss.osu.edu/
    - ii. Dialogue circles where students can meet with university administrators to discuss concerns
      - 1. Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>
- 7. Open Floor/Announcements/Questions
  - a. Around the Oval
    - i. Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>
    - ii. CSA will present work being done this year and previous advocacy
- 8. Adjournment
  - a. Motion to adjourn by Sunny/Seconded by Sahana