COUNCIL ON STUDENT AFFAIRS
MEETING AGENDA
3:30PM – 4:25 PM
NOVEMBER 9th, 2020

Attendance: Lowman, Karwisch, Painter, Post, Haynes, Canavan, Patel, Smith, Skinner, Carache de Blanco, Tate, Leuthold

Call to Order & Land Acknowledgement
Introductions

Approval of Agenda – approved at 3:38 p.m.
Approval of Meeting Minutes (Oct 26, 2020) - approved at 3:39 p.m.

Presentation
1. Academic Calendar Proposals (University Registrar: Adrienne Bricker & Andree’ Houston)
   a. Open floor for discussing adjustments to the calendar and recommendations provided in the documents on the documents in BuckeyeBox
      i. Discussion of how to maintain the tradition of giving physical diplomas on the day of commencement
      ii. Discussion of student well-being with no spring breaks and beginning on a Friday
      iii. Possibility of transitioning students in from 3 day week to a 5 day week

Old Business

New Business
2. Committee Reports
   a. Issues Chair: Elizabeth Painter
      i. Student Legal Services presentation was given in previous committee meeting
      ii. Upcoming meeting task: discuss recommendations to CSA for better supporting and listening to the needs of students
   b. Allocations Chair: Caroline Karwisch
      i. Went through approx. 64 requests
      ii. Working to develop clarity on procedures and requests for the spring 2021 requests
   c. next scheduled Committee Meetings: next Mon/Nov 16

3. Student Government Updates
   a. USG

“CSA serves as the principal link between students, the student governments, the faculty and administration to encourage a sense of community and improve the quality of student life on campus.”
i. Nov. 8-15th is Community Week in Student Life: various organizations come together to host events and dialogue around restorative justice, radical rest, and intersectionality
ii. Me Too Week is currently going on – virtual events have been successful
iii. November is Sustainability Month
iv. General Assembly meeting for the week is cancelled due to Veterans’ Day

b. CGS
   i. Stipend increase will take place this month (approx. an additional $200)
   ii. Professors can submit graduate emergency support funds
   iii. Graduate Ombudsperson applications are open --- nominations can be sent via OIA or directly to Stephen
   iv. Those seeking GAships in need of funding can reach out to Stephen
   v. CGS will elect a new Vice-President and begin on Jan. 1

c. IPC
   i. Raised $150 in fundraiser and tournament over the weekend
   ii. Dialogue town-halls have gone well
   iii. Working to create an advisory committee with the Vice Chancellor of Professional Degree Programs

4. Office of Student Life: Updates with Dr. Couch, Associate Dean of Students, Sr. Director of Student Activities & Student Life Orientation, and CSA Administrator
   a. COVID trends are currently trending upward (on campus and off campus/Franklin County)
   b. Encouraging students to get tested as close to departure date as possible
   c. More details to come for return to campus in spring
   d. Hours of operations for facilities across campus will be adjusted
   e. Several post-election dialogues and events will take place throughout the next couple of weeks

Adjournment – Adjourned at 4:25 p.m.