

# Student Affairs Committee Minutes

November 29, 2018

Meeting Commenced 12:58 PM

## Attendance

*Advisor Denise Boneta (in place of Dean of Students)*

*Advisor Dominique Outlaw*

*Chair Carissa Ramirez*

*Senator Lily Chiagozie*

*Senator Shari Council*

*Senator Amanda Getz*

*Senator Imani Hinson*

*Senator Jess Kurtz*

- I. Approval of the Minutes from October 29, 2018
  - A. Skipped bc wrong mins in packet
- II. Chair Report
  - A. Executive Committee Updates
    1. The committee chairs and the provost are all impressed with the range of initiatives SAC is undertaking
  - B. Initiative Updates
    1. Title IX
      - a) Asked Allison if it is possible for the policy to be applied retroactively
        - (1) Awaiting a response
        - (2) Will follow
      - b) Worked with SGA to get a question in the Student Appreciation Week Survey open to every undergraduate
        - (1) There was a company that came into audit Public Safety and they said something like this would be fairly affordable
  - C. Town Hall
    1. Starts 11:15
- III. Senator Reports
  - A. Senator Kurtz
    1. Talked to Julie Yindra, Director of SAS
      - a) See if her office has an initiative that they want to pursue that Jess can help with
        - (1) Was not given a clear initiative to pursue

2. ASL 003: Trying to make it count as language
    - a) Scheduled meeting with Dean Rifkin
      - (1) Create a timeline together
      - (2) Bring along younger people who will keep the initiative going
      - (3) Talk about class bulletin description
      - (4) Look at other “benchmark schools”
  3. ASL as Foreign Language
    - a) Will continue pursuing this initiative
    - b) Holly Seirup is on board with moving from her dept
    - c) Language dept is not on board
    - d) Is can get dean rifkin nd others on board, then might change things with getting this recognized
  4. Talked to Julie Yindra, Director of SAS
    - a) See if her office has an initiative that they want to pursue that Jess can help with
  5. Sexual Assault Survivor Programming Group
    - a) The sexual assault survivor group is back for the last two weeks
      - (1) Was not advertised this time
      - (2) Will hopefully advertise for next semester
- B. Senator Chiagozie
1. Dining on Campus
    - a) Reached out to Deandra Denton, the Vice President of SGA about issues
      - (1) Talked about if there are any legal issues with students working directly with Dining on Campus
      - (2) Was given a contact of Lisa from dining
    - b) Wants to make more options for the Student Choice section
  2. Met with someone from OSLE who is going to program the “Adulting Classes”
    - a) Will figure out the topics people want covered
- C. Potential student workers union
1. Is this possible?
    - a) SGA President: the only comparable school where RAs “unionized” was at Barnard University
      - (1) Every RA part of the union was fired
      - (2) This could potentially happen at Hofstra because it is a private university

D. RSR Issues

1. Advisor Outlaw: What are the top problems? Give them specific problems and concrete consequences. Tell them your problem, proposed solution, results of past meetings, and what you need from them.
  - a) Chiagozie: Accountability, organization
  - b) Chiagozie to bring up at Town Hall

E. Senator Hinson

1. School of Education
  - a) Barely got her placement for observations last week and she has to do 20 hours before the end of the semester
    - (1) This is a problem for multiple people, some with higher time requirements
  - b) There is a set schedule that graduate students are able to use
    - (1) Want to see if can do something similar for undergraduate students
2. Working on mental healthcare in the POC community
  - a) Will work with MSLC to bring an event to campus next semester

IV. Student Government Association Report

A. Student Appreciation Week Survey Results

1. Data is in about following topics:
  - a) Mental health fee removal awareness
  - b) Biggest concern with dining on campus
  - c) Which types of conduct do students know how to report
  - d) Creation of an online reporting system
  - e) If needs are met by shuttle schedule
  - f) If people are involved on campus
2. Different departments will be given this information

B. Last senate meeting next week

1. There will be free food
2. End of semester reports will be given
3. Open meeting to anyone

V. Dean of Students Report

A. Hiring Updates

1. Four positions open
  - a) Dean of Students
  - b) OSAPA
  - c) Career Center
  - d) Advising

- B. Title IX Training will go out soon
  - 1. About 40 clubs have not completed the training
    - a) Will reach out to clubs individually and give them one more chance to complete the required training
- C. OSLE club recognition is getting more strict

**Meeting Adjourned 2:00 PM**

**Motion to adjourn by Senator Hinson**

**Seconded by Senator Kurtz**