

NORTH CAROLINA AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL STATE UNIVERSITY

Student Affairs Committee Meeting for the Board of Trustees
Alumni Foundation Events Center
Friday, April 8, 2011, 10:00 A.M.
Minutes

I. A meeting of the Student Affairs Committee for the Board of Trustees convened on Friday, April 8, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. was called to order by Chairwoman Karen Collins.

II. Roll Call revealed:

Trustee Members Present:

Board of Trustees Chairwoman Mrs. Pamela Buncum
Committee Chairwoman Mrs. Karen Collins
Trustee Mrs. Faye Tate Williams
Trustee Dr. Bertram Walls
Trustee Dr. Stanley Allen
Trustee Mr. Wayne Kimball, Jr.
Vice Chancellor Melody C. Pierce

Visitors

Legal Counsel Dr. Charles Waldrup
University Police Chief Glenn Newell

III. Approval of Minutes

Chairwoman Collins presented to the committee an amended portion on the minutes for February 15, 2011 to reflect on the record a revision in IV.-B. the following: The survey found that most of the universities are not opened during the weekend hours at most of the UNC Schools. It was unanimously carried.

IV. Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Report by Dr. Melody C. Pierce:

A. Personnel/Staff Updates

- Two new hires in the division consist of The TRIO Programs Executive Director, Dr. Bertrand Haynes and the Upward Bound Programs Director, Mrs. Judy Wilson. The search for the Executive Director for Housing and Residence Life. There are also two new employees in the Sebastian Health Center. Dr. Wall asked Dr. Pierce about the budget? Dr. Pierce said that she operates on student fees and auxiliary dollars.

B. Student Government Association Update

- SGA President, Wayne Kimball, Jr. introduced to the committee the State of the Campus and the End of the Year Report from the Executive Branch of Student

Government Association. This report details the legislative branches within the executive board, detailing accomplishments as well as recommendations and projections for 2011-2012 by the students. This report also welcomes the new SGA Executive Board.

Highlights during the 2010-2011 academic year under Mr. Kimball:

1. SGA presented academic centralized advising proposal last summer and it has been approved which will play a major part in student retention.
2. SGA textbook rental program, saving our students some money and it is proving to be successful. We have to work on making sure that the students will return the books. Defacing the books is not allowed and if done, the student will have to pay for that book.
3. New implementation of re-routing our shuttle service for more convenience and safety in location for our students is underway. We presently have five stops. Campus Police Chief Newell stated that we will be receiving three new buses which are larger.
4. There is now a Cold Stone Creamery and Rotisserie in Williams Cafeteria and also a vegetarian bar.
5. SGA pushed for the online election voting. We had 11,000 students voting. Some students are off campus during election time and may miss the voting process. Now it is very much accessible for all students. Online Housing registration is very exciting helping to make us more efficient. Auxiliary Services is also doing online meal planning. It's nice to electronic copies on campus to help us go green. Mrs. Collins asked Wayne how many increased voters you have received using the online electronic voting? He replied by stating that they were about 22 voters shy of 2,000. We almost increased by 1,000 voters. This is great for this being the first year in voting online. Credibility in votes was certified. Chief Newell asked about the integrity of the server protected? Wayne stated that it is an online server, paid a third party source, fully protected and we did dry runs before the elections to make sure that it was 100 proof. SGA elections are very important on this campus. This program allows the students picture and a small tidbit of their platform on their ballot. Even with minor difficulties, the votes were certified. Chairperson Collins asked about the protocol process, especially of the students voting in the evening? Wayne said that the day of the elections during the day turns into kind of a block party. At 6:00 p.m., the poles close the same as in public elections. Mrs. Faye Tate Williams asked how soon is the results received? Wayne said that the earliest that he has witnessed is 20 minutes after the voting ends to maybe the results on the next day. Financial disclosure paperwork has to be submitted and sometimes disqualification forms if there are shaky elections. They will sometimes wait until the next day to announce the winners. The results should also start to be announced online as well. Chairperson Collins stated to Wayne that he received 22 votes shy of 2,000 not only because of what you received online but because of the quality of the administration this school year and the interest you created.

6. Wayne serves as the chair of the Council for the North Carolina Student Body Presidents and he will be stepping down from that post because of graduation. Mr. John Saunders is a very famous academician here in North Carolina and the UNC System. Chancellor Martin has had the opportunity to work with him while at GA. Every year students from around the state have an opportunity to nominate chancellors and outstanding leaders and educators in the UNC System for these awards. Wayne took the opportunity to nominate Chancellor Harold Martin. He was the only African American to be nominated and the only chancellor nominated from an HBCU. By a tight margin, on next Friday, Chancellor Martin will be presented the 2011 John L. Saunders Outstanding Leader in the UNC System Award in Chapel Hill, NC. That was a gift to Chancellor Martin from the SGA Administration of 2011.

Dr. Wall asked Wayne if there was anything about his administration and if there was anything that might have disappointed him? Wayne said that the students became more unified. The biggest disappointment was trying to get the students to answer the call to leadership. As far as the administration goes, Wayne stated that they all did a really good job with the help of A&T Administrators and the chancellor. Chairperson Collins voiced speaking to Dr. Pierce and herself had some disappointment about was that there were no women on the ballot. Dr. Pierce shared that the qualifications is the same as Miss A&T. Maybe there can be some cultivation with the students to make sure that we can have a balance to male/female students as well as cultivate that same leadership that Wayne refers to. Wayne said that not only do we not have any females running but we only had one person running for SGA president, which was quite disappointing. It makes him feel as though his alma mater has failed in its mission of creating global leaders on a campus of 11,000 students. Only because of special elections was the reason for the numbers that we received. We had quite a bit of vacancies; entire senior class, half of the junior class and a couple of the sophomore class were all empty until we had the special elections.

Mrs. Faye Tate Williams said that what if these numbers are compared to those that apply for Greek Life? Dr. Wall asked if there is a strategic plan for next couple of years to develop more leaders? Dr. Pierce stated that we are putting a leadership development series together, kicking off this fall. Dr. Wall asked. how do you propose to get people involved? Dr. Pierce stated that they will use the big five, starting with our freshmen class. Mrs. Williams stated that we need a good mentoring program for them. Wayne said that this year was the first time that SGA had a really structured intern program and it worked really well with 100 applicants for fifteen positions. In the past SGA had what we called street teams to do whatever SGA may have needed. But this year we chose the top fifteen and nine of those fifteen ended up running for SGA positions. Wayne has been working with Ms. Shauna Irwin using his model this year of the intern program into a student affairs program. I have the same in SGA. We tried to set up a central intern program that will be larger but it will be for all big five organizations as well as other organizations on campus. We have to make sure to

create leaders in all five of these organizations. Chairperson Collins thanked Mr. Kimball, Jr. for a job well done for the 2010-2011 school year as President of the Student Government Association.

C. Calendar of Events from April 2011-May 2011:

1. Student Leadership Conference
2. Tambourines to Glory Play sponsored by the Lyceum Series

D. Financial Literacy

E. Spring Break Service Learning

F. Career Fair 2011-2012

V. POINTS OF INQUIRY

VI. DISCUSSION

University Police Chief Glenn Newell expressed that the UPD are going Green. We are expecting three wheel segways and have plans to announce it on local television. It is an alternate means of patrolling the campus. They will allow us to go into places that can be difficult to travel by car and also it is more energy and cost efficient.

There will be a full time Crime Prevention Officer working on our campus implementing programs, and will be responsible for getting the word out to the campus and community about safety and how to be more responsible especially in the residence halls. The biggest crime at this time is larcenies. If we can educate our students more, it should cause them to pay more attention to their surroundings. We are free of major incidents at this time.

CLOSED SESSION

Mrs. Collins asked Dr. Waldrup to inform the committee on a Closed Session item involving a student appeal. He notified the committee the reason to go into Closed Session is to discuss the student appeal as prescribed by N.C. G.S. 143-318.11 to prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to the law of this State or of the United States, or not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes." The specific federal statute applicable to the meeting is the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. § 1232g. After discussion, a motion was entertained by Chairwoman Collins and a motion by Dr. Allen was seconded by Dr. Walls to uphold the Chancellor's decision and unanimously carried. Chairwoman Collins entertained a motion to return into Open Session. A motion by Mrs. Williams was seconded by Dr. Walls and was unanimously carried. The committee returned to Open Session.

OPEN SESSION

VII. With no further business the meeting was adjourned by Chairwoman Collins.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Karen J. Collins, Chairwoman

Robin Woods, Recording Secretary