

North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University
Student Affairs Committee Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Friday, November 22, 2013
10:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.
Alumni-Foundation Event Center, Executive Board Room

MINUTES

The Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees convened on Friday, November 22, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in the Alumni-Foundation Event Center Board Room with Committee Chairman, Dr. Bertram Walls presiding. Dr. Walls called the meeting to order and asked for the roll call from the recording secretary.

Roll Call revealed that the following were:

Present: Dr. Bertram E. Walls
Mrs. Faye Tate Williams
Mr. William Dudley
Ms. Canisha Turner
Mrs. Laura Meagher
Mrs. Pamela Buncum
Liaison: Dr. Melody C. Pierce

Excused: Mrs. Karen Collins

Others Present:

Mr. Mark Williams, Deputy General Counsel
Chief Glenn Newell, Police and Public Safety

Student Affairs Presenters:

Mr. Jeremicus Porter, Office of New Student Programs
Ms. Denise Iverson-Payne, Office of Student Development

Chairman Dr. Bertram Walls entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the Friday, September 20, 2013. A motion by Trustee, Mrs. Faye Tate Williams and seconded by Trustee, Mr. William Dudley was unanimously carried. Dr. Walls requested the Student Affairs Report from Vice Chancellor Melody C. Pierce. Dr. Pierce began with the following information to the committee:

A. STRATEGIC PRIORITIES PROGRESS REPORT

Dr. Pierce shared the report to the committee noting a listing of information is available for viewing on the Board of Trustees website.

B. THE SGA REPORT

Ms. Canisha Turner, SGA President presented a report from the Student Government Association with the following highlights:

- 2,000 new student voters were registered with a collaboration with Political-Science and many other organizations come together to register students.
- Homecoming 2013 was very successful.
- Mr. & Miss A&T held empowerment summits: Miss A&T presented, “Walk Like A Lady, Think Like A Man”, and Mr. A&T presented, “Being a Gentleman”.

- Senatorial Town Hall meetings held bi-weekly proves to be very successful. Representatives from campus departments come in to speak to the students keeping them informed on all issues. SGA reported an increase in student participation.
- Electronic Charging Stations are now available in locations in the Memorial Student Union with the assistance of Student Affairs and Information Technology. A charging stations is a small unit that has six ports, one for a iPhone, IPad, smart phones, etc., giving the students on the run extra support in using electronic gadgets.
- Senior Week will be held on December 2-5, 2013 to those graduating in December 2013.
- The Aggie extravaganza will take place with the Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony. This sponsored event by Student Affairs will be on December 5, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. in the parade grounds in front of the Oaks (old Chancellor's Residence). This is to become an Aggie tradition and all-inclusive ceremony.

C. PERSONNEL/STAFF UPDATES FROM SEPTEMBER –NOVEMBER 2013

Total number of changes in the departments : 195

POSITION	NUMBER OF PERSONNEL CHANGES
OTHER DEPARTMENTS IN STUDENT AFFAIRS	
Graduate Assistants	6
Graduate Interns	2
Undergraduate Assistants	13
Terminated	0
Resigned	4
Promotion from temporary to permanent	1
New Hire Permanent	5
New Hire Temporary	3
Reduction in Force	4
Retirement from service in the division Ms. Albertina McGirt, Upward Bound Program Mrs. Kitty Harrigan, Housing & Residence Life Mrs. Idella Jones, Office of Career Services	3
Total	Total 41

Student Staff Positions –HOUSING	Department/Office	Amount
Graduate Hall Directors	Housing & Residence Life	16
Resident Assistants	Housing & Residence Life	71
Graduate Hall Directors	Foundation Housing	3
Resident Assistants	Foundation Housing	24
Graduate Assistants – Academic Excellence & Enhancement Program	Housing & Residence Life	3
Peer Mentors – AEEP	Housing & Residence Life	20
Graduate Assistant-Student Behavior/ Conduct	Housing & Residence Life	1
Peer Tutors	Center for Academic Excellence (funded by Housing)	15
Graduate Assistant	Center for Academic Excellence (funded by Housing)	1
	Subtotal of Housing and Residence Life Department:	154
	Total Changes for the Division:	195

D. CALENDAR OF EVENTS

• **HOMEcomings FESTIVITIES:**

- Mike Epps & Friends Comedy Show entertained on October 29, 2013 at 8:00 P.M. in the Corbett Sports Center.
- NCA&T Pan Hellenic Council presented the 25th Annual Aggie Step Show featuring K Michelle on November 1, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the Greensboro Coliseum.
- The Homecoming Parade was enjoyed by all of the community in the City of Greensboro.
- The Aggie Homecoming Concert featured entertainment performers such as: T.I., J. Cole, Kelly Rowland, and Juicy J. on November 2, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the Greensboro Coliseum.
- The Aggie Gospel Show featured Kirk Franklin and the NCA&T Gospel Choir on Sunday, November 3, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in Corbett Sports Center. It was at full capacity with 3,350 people in attendance.
- A Homecoming Evaluation Meeting hosted by Dr. M. Buggs (Student Activities Executive Director) was held on Tuesday, November 15, 2013 with the Homecoming Committee receiving feedback and recommendations for the next year.

❖ **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS IN STUDENT AFFAIRS:**

- *OCTOBER 31, 2013, Collaborative Learning Space Ribbon Cutting Ceremony in the F.D. Bluford Library.*
 - The Division of Student Affairs was very proud to collaborate with Academic Affairs, Library Services and the Division of Information Technology to create the Collaborative Learning Space in the Bluford Library. She said that the students are moving out of the traditional classroom into a realm of new technologies and trends that our young generation is now requesting and using on a day-to-day basis.
- *DECEMBER 5, 2013, Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony*
 - On behalf of the Office of Student Activities and the Division of Student Affairs, the Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held on December 5, 2013 in the parade grounds across in front of the old Chancellor's Residence, The Oaks.
 - Office of Career Services submitted a November calendar for National Development Month consisting of:
 - 11/4/2013, Career Development Kick-Off Celebration in Williams Cafeteria, 11 -1:00 p.m.
 - 11/5/2013, Career Development Kick-Off Celebration in the Memorial Student Union
 - 11/7/2013, Healthcare Career Fair, 12 noon – 3p.m. in the Memorial Student Union.
 - 11/12/2013, Graduate School Information Session, 6-7 p.m., Memorial Student Union
 - 11/13/2013, National Career Development Day!
 - 11/13/2013, Graduate School Fair, 12 noon-3:00 p.m., Memorial Student Union-Stallings.
 - 11/21/2013, Professional Dress Contest, 10 a.m.-1p.m., 101 Murphy Hall.
 - 11/21/2013, Etiquette Dinner, 6-8p.m., Memorial Student Union, - Exhibit Hall
 - 11/25/2013, OCS Open House, 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m., 101 Murphy Hall

• **The Counseling Center:**

Listed are highlights from summer programs and workshops (September- October 2013) and university- wide events for Fall 2013. Other programs like outreach and group therapy are ongoing during this semester.

- Secured Consortium grant with Bennett College for Women and Shaw University, \$497,242
- Secured min-grant, HBCU-CFE, \$7,500
- Secured S.A.M.H.S.A. (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration) funding for Substance Disorders Workshop, \$6,000
- Provided Safe Zone Training for campus community (GLBT allies), Fall 2013

- Personal Growth Workshops, (Stress, Time, Self-care) Fall 2013
 - Published annual AUCCCD newsletter (2013)
 - Received certificate for service as Treasurer for APA-Division 35, Section 1
 - National Presentation: Association for Medical Education & Research (AMERSA), 11/7-10
 - Active Minds Chapter-Stomp Out Stigma (10/13)
 - For Seniors Only (10/13)
 - National Depression Screening Day Informational (10/13)
 - Domestic Violence Workshop (10/13)
 - For Seniors Only-December Graduates (11/13)
 - Finals: Are You Ready (11/13)
 - QPR: Suicide Prevention (11/13)
 - End of Year Floating Reception: Stress and Anxiety Management tips (12/13)
 - Sebastian Health Center – Construction will begin on the new Walking Trail around the campus of A&T. The walking routes will be comprised of a ½-mile, 1 mile, and 2 mile routes that will make a path through and around our campus. The routes will have a total of 15 incremented color-coded directional markers throughout the campus to help students, faculty and staff, walkers and/or joggers stay on track. The date for completion for this project is to be determined.
- Housing and Residence Life as of November 13, 2013 reports 99.3% Occupancy.
 - The Multicultural Student Center hosted the A Multicultural Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 14, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in Stallings Ballroom.
 - Dr. Judy Rashid, Dean of Students hosted the Conflict Management Styles Training Institute: Knowing the Difference Makes the Difference on November 15, 2013 in the Academic Classroom Building.
 - The Lyceum Series for 2013-2014 had its first program on September 25th at 7:00 p.m. featuring the 100 Men in Black performing gospel music. The cost to the students is free, \$5 for faculty and staff and \$15 for the public. It was a great turn out for students and the public.
 - Sharing facts about the movie, “The Black Nativity”, was presented to the students on October 23, 2013 by the Celebrity Casting Director, Tracy Twinkie Byrd in the New Academic Classroom Building at 7:00 p.m.
 - The next program scheduled for Lyceum will be the Contra Tiempo Urban Latin Dance Company performing for the campus on February 18, 2014. The Lyceum Series concludes with the Golden Dragon Acrobats on April 3, 2014.

E. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS TO THE STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

**(1.) Mr. Jeremicus Porter
Office of New Student Programs**

The mission of the New Student Programs includes:

The Office of New Student Programs, established in March 2011, strives to assist new students and their families in making a successful academic and social transition to the university setting by providing useful, accurate, and timely information that focuses on the resources the university offers, as well as a complete understanding of the factors that impact student success.

Operational units consist of:

- New Student Orientation for Spring and Summer Sessions

- Transitional Programs such as New Student Convocation, New Student, New Student Institute, Student Success Series and Welcome Week.
- Family Programs such as Family Orientation and Family Weekend
- NSP Student Leaders Programs such as Mentoring Aggies Developing Excellence (M.A.D.E. @ T Program, Orientation Student Leaders, Tau Sigma National Honors Society for Transfer Students and Welcome Week Ambassadors.
- There are contributions to the University Strategic Goals such as:
 - Majority of the contributions has focused on the following:
 - Creating a more intellectually stimulating environment during all New Student Programs activities and events;
 - Expanding the services and resources to new segments of the student body during New Student Orientation;
 - Strengthening a sense of individual and collective identity among students through transitional programs;
 - Streamlining organizational structures that provide more transparent and efficient services for students and parents
 - University Strategic Goals # 1& 5
 - Intellectual Climate- to create and expand learning experiences beyond the classroom. Stimulating healthy and creative exchange, instilling a passion for academic excellence and lifelong learning, and fostering a culture of dynamic intellectual student-faculty interaction enriches the quality of the learning environment.
 - Diverse and Inclusive Campus Community- Foster a more diverse and inclusive campus community by promoting cultural awareness, collegiality, and cultivating respect for diverse people and cultures.

New Student Programs Opportunities:

- Transfer and Non-Traditional Students Services
- Given the projected growth in this population of students, New Student Programs (NSP) will continue to seek techniques and best practices to revise the orientation and transition programs that will encourage interaction and engagement for new transfer and non-traditional students.
- Broaden Communication to New Students and Families:
With the increase use of technology by students, it is essential for NSP to continue to identify and develop methods to utilize technology in communicating important messages to students during their transition. Currently, NSP has integrated the following technology communication tools for interaction with students and families: Facebook; Twitter; Skype; Instant Messaging service; VZ Orientation Registration Management; E-newsletter to Parents; and NSP TV (interactive webcast series).

New Student Programs Highlights:

- **2012:** Charted a chapter of Tau Sigma National Honor Society (for Transfer Students)
- **2012:** Hosted the National Association of Orientation, Transition, and Retention of Higher Education: Carolina Drive-In Conference
- 2012: Presented at the National Association of Orientation, Transition, and Retention of Higher Education Annual Conference: HBCU Summit (New Orleans, LA)
- **2012 & 2013:** Presented three sessions at the National Association of Orientation, Transition, and Retention of Higher Education –Southern Regional Orientation Conference for two consecutive years. (2012) Charlotte, NC and (2013) Memphis, TN.

Accomplishments 2012-Present:

- The following accomplishments were all received from the National Association of Orientation, Transition, and Retention of Higher Education
- Received the National Outstanding Orientation Handbook Award for two consecutive years: (2012 and 2013)
- First place (two consecutive years) Southern Regional Orientation Workshop- Community Service Project: (2012) Charlotte, NC; (2013) Memphis, TN
- Third place (two consecutive years) Southern Regional Orientation Workshop-Skit Competition: (2012) Charlotte, NC; (2013) Memphis, TN
- Ms. Jacque Powers, Assistant Director of New Student Orientation, received “2013 New Professional Award“ for the Region

With no further questions from the committee members to the presenter, Chairman Walls thanked Mr. Porter for the report and moved to the next presenter:

(2.) Denise Iverson-Payne
Office of Student Development

- The Office of Student Development (OSD) in alliance with the educational mission of the University creates interdisciplinary student learning opportunities beyond the classroom that inspire intellectual, personal, civic growth for leadership and service in a diverse and complex world.
- The Motto: “Students Are Why We Are Here”.

Programs and Services Offered:

The Institute Leadership and Engagement	Graduate Student Advisory Council	Thurgood Marshall College Fund Campus Coordinator	Leadership Synergy Program	Aspiring Leaders	Parent Café
SGA Elections	CashCourse Financial Literacy	Civic and Service Education	Religious & Spiritual Life Resource Center	Fellowship Gospel Choir at A&T	OrgSync Intranet Database
University Student Publications	Ayantee Yearbook	Academic Planner	A&T Planner	A&T Register	MLK, Jr. Scholarship
Who’s Who Among College Students					

University Committees and Assessment

- Institutional Effectiveness Committee (IEC)
 - SACS Fifth-Year Review
 - 2.10 Student Support Services, Chair
 - 3.13.1 Policy Compliance
 - Student Achievement
 - 4.5 Student Complaints, Chair
- University Strategic Priorities for Division of Student Affairs 2013-2014
- Carnegie Community Engagement Task Force
 - Economic Development/Metric Committee

With no further questions from the committee members to the presenter, Chairman Walls thanked Ms. Denise Iverson Payne for the report and moved to the report from Chief Glenn Newell.

Campus Police Chief Glenn Newell Update Report:

Chief Newell updated the committee on the shootings during the Homecoming festivities. There was full-force coverage on campus during the homecoming. Extra manpower is outsourced during this time as well.

On Saturday evening of the homecoming events, there was a crowd of people in the Bluford Circle with 200-300 people in the area. Shots began to fire. Some people were injured. Only four students came forward as witnesses. Video shows that there was a least two shooters. The case is still active by the City of Greensboro Police Department with a Crime Stoppers reward offered. This shows the great relationship A&T now has with the GPD, said Chief Newell.

Mrs. Faye Tate Williams asked if we have enough cameras on campus and if there are signs posted stating that this campus is patrolled by the A&T State University Campus Police? Chief Newell agreed that he will investigate the proposal for more signage on campus. Chairman Walls was appreciative of the report from Chief Newell.

Chairman Walls proposed to move into Closed Session for an action item. He then asked General Counsel, Marc J. Williams to provide the language to move into Closed Session. Mr. Williams said a motion is needed pursuant to and 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 FERPA (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99) since the matter discussed was alleged student misconduct. Chairman Walls entertained a motion to go into Closed Session. A motion by Mr. William Dudley and seconded by Mrs. Faye Tate Williams was unanimously carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Following the discussion in Closed Session, Dr. Walls entertained a motion to resume Open Session. A motion by Mrs. Faye Tate Williams and seconded by Mr. William Dudley was unanimously carried.

OPEN SESSION

There being no further business for discussion, Dr. Walls entertained a motion for adjournment. A motion made by Mrs. Faye Tate Williams and seconded by Mr. William Dudley was unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Robin Woods
Recording Secretary