Student Commission Meeting Thursday, April 9, 2015

Present: Les Cook, Lynda Heinonen, Judy Klutts, Josh Krugh, Zachary Mauerman, Andrey Merzlyakov, Mary Mongeau, Dave Nordstrom, Margo O'Brien, Travis Pierce, Jon Riehl, Brenda Rudiger, Abbey Senczyszyn, Chris Wojick

Welcome – Andrey

Updates

Sense of the Senate Resolution for Sufficient Notice of University Closure – Jon

Jon reported the resolution passed in the University Senate and will now go to the Administration "under advisement". Les commented that while it a good idea this process cannot always be followed due to unforeseen circumstances with the weather. Jon commented that he felt it was a win for the students.

Senate Proposal – Graduate and Undergraduate Student on Ombuds Search Committee – Jon Jon reported this proposal was passed. It will go to the Administration next and then on to the Board of Control for approval.

Female Business Attire in Campus Bookstore

Sasha Teymorian reported through email that the Advisory Group is scheduled to meet on April 22.

Cemetery Road Lighting and Security Cameras - Lynda

Lynda reported the following:

- A question about road usage cannot be added to the Student Satisfaction Survey because this is the "off" year so the next survey being sent to the students is the spring of 2016
- It would not be feasible for a senior design project because there would not be enough work for an entire semester
- Facilities Is in the research phase of how to determine how much foot traffic is on the road

Additional suggestions included:

- Contact the Green Campus Enterprise
- Students should be encouraged to wear reflective clothing
- Place "Watch for Pedestrians" signs on road

Library Hours – Mary

Mary reported the library will be open and have full service 24-7 from April 19-30. This is the week prior to exams and exam week. Computers and printers are in the 24/7 section.

The Library's regular full service hours are:

- Sunday 9:00 2:00 am
- Monday Thursday 7:00 am 2:00 am
- Friday 7:00 am 9:00 pm
- Saturday 9:00 am 9:00 pm

New Items

Marketing the Student Commission - Josh

Josh suggested going to student groups to ask the questions "If money was no object what initiatives would you like to see put in place or what you recommend purchasing that would enhance the student experience"?

Les commented that would be a great question to add to the 2016 Student Satisfaction Survey.

Spring Fling - Josh

Josh reported Spring Fling is scheduled for Friday, April 17 from 1:00-4:00 pm. If the weather doesn't cooperate it will be held at the SDC. A decision will be made on Tuesday on the location.

Marco's Last Meeting

Andrey reported as of April 30, Marco LaManna will no longer serve as a Student Commission co-chair since his term as GSG Vice President is expiring. Through email Marco sent this message to the Student Commission:

It has been my pleasure to serve as co-chair of the Student Commission. First and foremost, I would like to thank Les for having created the Student Commission. Furthermore, I would like to thank, Lynda, for taking the minutes every time, coordinating the agenda and inviting people to come talk to us. Last but not least, I would like to thank every member of the commission (students, faculty and staff), that have attended our meetings and provided their suggestions, comments and insights for our various items on the agenda. It has been a pleasure working with all of you.

Next Meeting

After discussion, it was decided to cancel the April 23 Student Commission meeting. Lynda will schedule a June and August meeting.

If any members have suggestions, comments, questions for future meetings, please forward to Les (lpcook@mtu.edu) or Lynda (lheinone@mtu.edu).