

Monday, April 14th, 2014

DIGS 114 – 7:00PM

- I. **Call to Order** by: Chris Aubrie at: 7:01 p.m.
- II. **Roll Call** by: Ali Jensen
 - a. Present: Christopher Aubrie, Ian Deas, Ali Jensen, Caprishia Hall, JW Barrera, Julie Batt, K'aundra Belton, Zakiya Clemons, Damon Dean, Michaela Dunbar, LaJoyce Jones, MJ Miller, Mashario Morton, Melody Sheets, Jesse Perl, Janay Reece, Shanieka Staley, Kathryn Steverson, Victor Volious, Victoria Weathers, Rob Vereen, Eboni Ford, Jarvis Jackson, Wendrah McCoy, BG Suddeth, Victoria Woods, Andrew Adair, Nicholas Cunningham, ViiVi Nuorti, Amandine Farrugia
 - b. Absent: Joshua Watts, Courtney Johnson, Nykia Mackenzie, Alex Pinto, Raven Brown
- III. **Approval of the Agenda/Minutes**
 - a. Agenda:
 - i. Motion: MJ Miller
 - ii. Seconded: Nicholas Cunningham
 - iii. Approved by: all present
 - b. Minutes:
 - i. Motion: JW Barrera
 - ii. Seconded: Rob Vereen
 - iii. Approved by: all present
- IV. **New Business**
 - a. Chartering or the following organizations:
 - i. Badminton Club
 - 1. Have fun, sports, it's a fun way to make new friends, have about 30 members, have some games for members, advisor is Jeff Morrow, Jeff will teach people how to play, would meet once a week
 - a. Motion: MJ Miller
 - b. Seconded: LaJoyce Jones
 - c. Approved by: all present
 - ii. Winthrop Young Americans Club
 - 1. Being sponsored by the American Party, activities debates with Clemson and USC Aiken as well as other political groups on campus
 - 2. Clemson does competitive debating, not sure if she wants to do that or not
 - 3. Inform young Americans about political opinions
 - 4. Have 50 members, Caroline Evenson is their faculty advisor
 - a. In favor: all present
 - b. Smoking Policy Vote
 - i. Rob Vereen: talked to students about it the other day, students were very neutral, the biggest issue was how it would be enforced
 - ii. Jackson: talked about it in RSA, neutral but a lot of students who were not smokers but thought the policy should stay where they are; smoking areas are supposed to be civically regulated
 - iii. Perl: adding more smoking areas
 - iv. Barrera: the safety; can't clean the air- increasing the amount of smoking locations are not good- do not cater to the small portion of students who smoke- leading cause of death nation-wide
 - v. Suddeth: there are enough smoking areas; one right next to admissions
 - vi. Belk: The one outside of Joynes makes students go out of way to avoid smoke
 - vii. Steverson: work places started enforcing non-tobacco; some students do want it to be smoke free
 - viii. Read email from student
 - ix. Jackson: highlight where smoking areas are with signage; publish a map that has them marked
 - x. Volious: facilitate enforcement; how will we do that

- xi. Barrera: implementation; what to say and how to approach people about it; explain yourself; we would have to enforce it
- xii. Counts-Davis: if campus were to go smoke-free, it would be easier because campus would technically be smoke free
- xiii. Jackson: as student leaders, we should be willing to take a stand; push out of our comfort zone
- xiv. Batt: talked to school about dry campuses; it's a rule so that's how it is
- xv. Perl: push to go drug-free on campus?
 - 1. Marlowe: standalone issue
- xvi. Dunbar: since smoking is legal and we are a public university; push anti-smoking campaigns instead of telling students they cannot indulge
- xvii. Barrera: it's not illegal, but doesn't want to be affected by smoker's decisions; infringes on other people
- xviii. Rosie Hopkins-Campbell: policies vary from campus to campus; been discussion on smoking- vs. tobacco- free
 - 1. Recommendation is tobacco-free because it makes it harder to revisit situation; some colleges that are already tobacco-free; recommendation from health associations
- xix. Volious: either way; main issue is Scholar's Walk; if we are pushing for it, student leaders need to enforce; we go out as one body, tackle the whole issue
- xx. Suddeth: Tobacco free include e-cigarettes?
 - 1. Hawkins-Campbell: treated as tobacco
- xxi. Vote on whether we should stay the same or change smoking policy:
 - 1. Voted by a show of hands:
 - a. In favor to change: 10
 - b. In favor to stay the same: 13
 - c. Abstention: 5
 - d. Total: 28 voting members
 - 2. Conclusion: 56% voted to make the recommendation to stay as we are currently
 - 3. Jackson: moving forward from this- campaigns to help students
 - 4. Christine: recommendation to cut smoking areas on major walk-walks but make safer by adding lights
 - 5. Volious: packet in orientation
 - 6. Jackson: signage
 - 7. Dunbar: events to promote non-smoking
 - 8. Barrera: address students who are smoking where they shouldn't be
 - 9. Cunningham: add more around less public areas
 - 10. Steverson: send out a map to students
 - 11. Suddeth: for each one we take away we can add one in a discreet area; put lights on the sides of the walls

V. Council Business

- A. Student Allocations
 - a. Next interview date: Friday, April 18th 2014
- B. CSL Olympics Recap... Janay Reece
 - a. 5 teams participated
 - b. Students really enjoyed it; musical chairs was intense

VI. Chair's Report

- a. Academic Freedom – present at academic council and faculty conference
 - a. Voted by show of hands
 - i. Motion: MJ Miller
 - ii. Seconded: LaJoyce Jones
 - iii. In favor: 28; unanimous
- b. Academic Integrity Meeting Wednesday, April 16th
- c. Meeting with President Williamson on April 25th
- d. CSL Homecoming Committee Representative

- a. Email deasi2@winthrop.edu or see him after the meeting
- VII. **Open Floor** (Questions/Comments/Concerns)
 - a. Committee chairs send accomplishments to Christopher by 5 p.m. on Wednesday
- VIII. **Adjournment** at:
 - a. Motion: LaJoyce Jones
 - b. Seconded: Victoria Weathers
 - c. Approved by: all present

Important Dates:

End of year celebration: April 28th at 6:00 PM in the Gold Room

Preview Day: April 26th – student life showcase interested in doing that 8:45 a.m.- 10:40 a.m. in Richardson Ballroom

Study Day: April 29th- take place from 11 a.m.- 3 p.m. anyone interested in doing acquiring items and setting up: Shanicka, LaJoyce, Victoria, Jarvis, and Victor