

**Student Affairs Committee Minutes**  
**March 25th, 2015**

The meeting was held in room NBS 133 at 12:15 p.m.

**Attendance**

Augustine Ayuk  
Scott Bailey  
Mark Daddona  
Marcus Gaddis  
Laura Herndon  
Chris Pitsikoulis  
Chris Stotelmyer  
Charlotte Swint

**Welcome**

Charlotte Swint, Chair, called the session to order.

**Old Business**

Charlotte Swint distributed the minutes from the previous meeting, which were then read and approved with the correction of John Shiffert's name. Mark Dadonna asked about the textbooks on reserve at the library and thought it might be good to increase awareness among Faculty that they may do this through announcements at welcome back and other meetings.

**New Business**

The agenda of discussion items was as follows:

- Student Affairs Presentation
- Lactation Room and Use of Social Media Update
- Healthier Campus Update
- Student Research Conference Update

1. Student Affairs presentation

Natasha Hutson and LaShanda Hardin from the Department of Student Affairs talked about services for campus students, staff and faculty provided by the department. The department houses all student organizations and promotes student development and growth exercises. They are currently working with Dr. Miller and the Pace Academy in civic engagement. The department regularly sends students mass emails with information about community engagement opportunities and offers training concerning social topics and service learning. Student Affairs now hosts a volunteer database, Volgistics, that allows students to log their service hours. Student Affairs also coordinates campus wide community and family friendly events such as comedy shows and carnivals. The next event is Culture Shock week, occurring

March 31 through April 2, 2015. . There is always a need for Faculty/Staff advisors for the student groups, as well as chaperones for student activities off campus.

After the presentation Charlotte Swint pointed out the Campus Life has had a large cut in funding and has had to drop popular events such as the Alternative Winter and Alternative Spring Breaks. This cut is probably due to the drop in overall enrollment along with no-fee joint enrollment.

#### 2. Lactation Room and Use of Social Media update

Charlotte contacted John Shiffert about advertising the availability of the room at Continuing Education. This information has been included in Inside Clayton State. It was suggested that the information also be put into rotation on the university Facebook page.

Mark Dadonna, Scott Bailey and Chris Pitsikoulis are going to keep pushing to have another room designated, possibly in Edgewater Hall, as it is felt the importance of such space is being overlooked.

#### 3. Healthier Campus update

Chris Pitsikoulis said that to date we are at approximately 50/50 compliance. Some requirements that have not been met are the Lactation Room, walking routes, signage requiring cars to stop for pedestrians, and fitness center availability. Students will be surveyed for their awareness of the initiatives. The verification process for this year will begin the first week of April.

#### 4. Student Research Conference update

Scott said that the conference will be held on May 1<sup>st</sup> from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Spivey Hall has been reserved for creative activities and the posters will be on Main Street in the James M. Baker University Center. Students will need to make their submissions through D2L. There will be a keynote speaker and a reception following. Please encourage attendance.

### **General Discussion and Announcements**

Charlotte will be sending out portfolio letters to the committee members for their committee service.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was concluded at 1:20 p.m.

### **Next Meeting**

April 22<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Herndon  
Secretary